

THE CHAPEL MESSENGER

MAY 2023

A Letter from Pastor Josh

"Raising Up Fully Committed Followers of Jesus Christ." May 2023

Chapel Family,

I would like to thank Katie Logan for her service on the Leadership Council for the past two years. She and Matt bought a house closer to his work, so she submitted her resignation to Arnie and I. Matt also served as our former Worship Leader, and we are forever grateful for the gifts they brought to Chapel Church.

Since this was a mid-year resignation, Leadership Council is authorized to fill her position. We unanimously recommended Ryan Ogurcak to join us, and he graciously accepted. Pam Vucetich also graciously accepted the secretary position.

Please continue to keep the Logan's in prayer as they transition, as well as our Chapel Leadership. We continue to journey towards May 17, where our disaffiliation request will be voted on at Annual Conference.

For Him,

Pastor Josh

Contact Us

W: chapelchurch.org

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Worship Schedule:

8 AM – Traditional

9:15 – Small Groups &
Sunday School

10: 30 AM – Modern

Join us online on our
Facebook page or
chapelchurch.org

Church Office Hours:

Monday – Friday

9: 30 AM – 12: 30 PM

Prayer Chain:

chapelpt@gmail.com

Worship Updates

April 30 – Fellowship hour at 9:15AM – No SS except for the children – Combined Worship in the Sanctuary at 10:30. Chapel Children will be working on a service project and enjoying some breakfast in the education wing.

April 30 – Special Night of Prayer – 6:00 PM – Sanctuary

May 7 – Special Night of Prayer – 6:00 PM – Sanctuary

May 17 - - Special Session of Annual Conference for disaffiliation approval vote

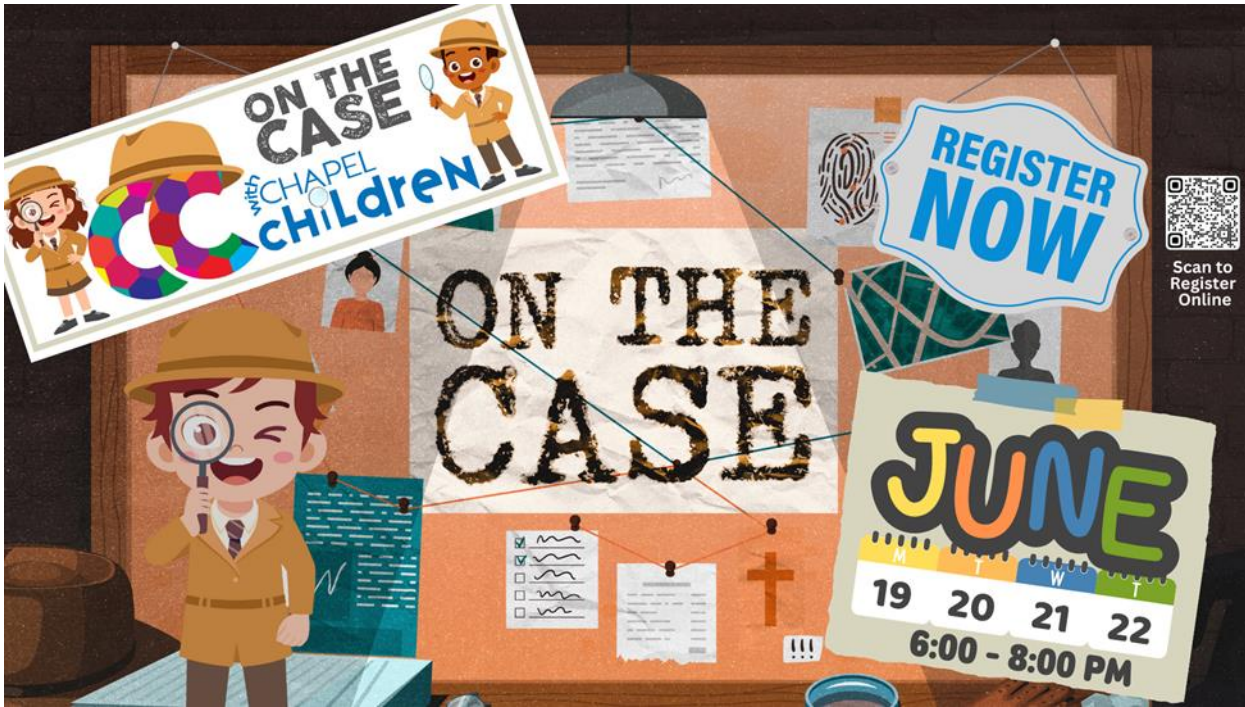
May 21 – Combined Service – Daycare Sunday – 10:30 AM in the Grove – refreshments will be available - Sunday School will be at the regular time

Important Note: HVAC phase 3 will be starting May 1. After this date, there will be **NO** air-conditioning or heating in the sanctuary until the project is completed. The process is expected to take 3-4 weeks. Please bear with us during this time and dress appropriately.



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| May 4 | Youth night 6:30 – 8 |
| May 7 | Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15 |
| May 11 | Youth night 6:30 – 8 |
| May 14 | Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15 |
| May 18 | Youth night 6:30 – 8 |
| May 21 | Sunday Schl 9:15-10:15 |
| May 25 | Youth night 6:30 – 8 |
| May 28 | Sunday Schl 9:15-10:15 |

CHILDREN'S MINSITRY



Join us for VBS at Chapel Church as we explore “ On the Case” with Chapel Children! June 19-22, 2023 (Monday – Thursday) 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Growing spiritually doesn't have to be an unsolved mystery! This four-day journey allows kids to be detectives as they dig into a few of Jesus parables to solve the mysteries of how to grow their faith and care for, serve, and love others. They'll discover that the answers have been there all along: spend time with God and others, use your gifts, and share your story.

Register online:

<https://ChapelChurch.org/Events>



Scan Code
to Register
Online!

Thank you for allowing me to serve you and your family! Here at Chapel Church, we are raising our kids together! If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me: maria@chapelchurch.org or 484-264-1621.

Joyfully, Maria Gagliardi



Here's what's coming up in our ministry . . .

CURRENTLY HAPPENING: NURSERY CHANGES

If you've been in the nursery recently, you might have noticed some things look a little different! They are! We put together a changing table, added cubbies for belongings, added folders for take home sheets, and included Velcro name tags for each cubby! As our nursery continues to grow, we will be adding more names! I have been getting great feedback about the cubbies from not only volunteers and parents, but also the kids! How cute!? If you look at the name tags on the inside of the cubbies, you'll notice they aren't filled out completely. Please put your name in case of an emergency (or diaper change) and your phone number on the tag with the Vis-à-vis marker (transparency markers, who remembers those?). Additionally on the tag, there is a place to circle if your child is in diapers, potty training, or using the potty fully – please circle one! And of course, an allergy section is on the bottom right. These little tags are great for quick references and easily updated if a child starts using the potty! Little updates will continue to be made in the nursery so we can ensure safety!

SPECIAL PROJECT: WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The daycare and children's ministry kiddos will be working on a special project over the next month. To make this happen, we need your help! We are looking for rocks the size of a grapefruit that are truly weather resistant and great for painting. Please let Maria or Muriel know if you have some great rocks!

APRIL 30TH: SUNDAY SCHOOL

On April 30th, the children will have Sunday school but in a different form! Our kiddos will be doing a service project for our homebound individuals.

They will ALL gather in the education wing and will be making cards, coloring pictures, and writing letters. Additionally, I will provide a mini breakfast for them in the education wing so they can enjoy their own fellowship hour.

JUNE 19TH-22ND, 6-8PM: VBS

Mark your calendars! Our kids will be on the case uncovering the mystery of how to grow closer to God! Sign up sheets will be available outside the Sanctuary, Parish building, and the Children's Ministry Office! You may also sign up your kiddo(s) using our online form – simply scan the QR code over on the right to access it!



If you are interested in volunteering, please send me an email (maria@chapelchurch.org) or text message (484-264-1621). We are looking for adults and youth to help with games, storytelling, crafts, and snacks, and being group leaders. *If you are artsy* and looking to get your hands dirty (or simply keep them busy), we need people to help us turn the education wing and the Parish building into a detective's command center. Think: "security check points", "vaulted doors", clue boards, footprints, loads of case files and evidence boxes, body outlines, etc. Also, *if you like to act and be goofy in front of kids*, please message me! We have a spot for you too!

SUMMER 2023: SUNDAY SCHOOL

Although it's just spring, we're looking forward to summer in the Children's Department. The decision has been made to combine the 5-6 year old class as well as the elementary age class for the summer months. We respect family time and understand vacations for all are common during the summertime. Thanks for understanding!

Homeless Backpack Project Update:

On March 15th, 2023, the Missions Committee delivered 4 homeless backpacks to two local police agencies, on behalf of the church and the congregation. Whitney Wargo, Missions Committee member, presented 2 backpacks each to the Spring Garden Township Police Department (Sgt. Adam Zimmerman) and the York County Regional Police Department (Lt. Toby Zech). Each pack contained the following items:

- A Bible
- Zero degree sleeping bag
- Thermal socks
- Winter gloves
- Heavy duty survival tarp
- Winter hat/facemask
- Heavy blanket (handmade and donated by Mary Ann Tierney)
- Personal care items
- Ready to eat meals (donated by the Wise Family)

They were very thankful to receive them, and it's important for them to have them to support the homeless community.

A very BIG thank you to everyone who contributed to the project and helped make it possible for the church to make these donations. It is our hope that we will be able to do it again in the Fall.

David Zurn

Missions Committee Chairman



Men's Ministry Event – Friday May 19th – 6:00 PM

The Men's Ministry will be hosting a hot dog cookout at Ron Chubb's home on Friday May 19th at 6:00 PM. Please bring a side dish to share. Please RSVP to Ryan Ogurcak - rkogurcak@comcast.net) or signup in the lobby of either building. The rain date will be Saturday, May 20th.

MISSION PROJECT

Little dresses for Africa- Update

Chapel Family, my heart has been blessed by the outpouring of your generosity. People have called and wanted to help since reading my last article and God is moving in ways unknown to me but I feel this mission project is going to do so many wonderful things for these little girls and change their lives for the good. I just reread the article that inspired me to do this project. Rachel O'Neill the founder of this organization also took a step of faith after visiting Africa and saw this great need. She says she couldn't have done this by herself but when you step out in faith, God works miracles. So TRUE! Also I didn't mention in the last article about how besides hope and self-esteem, these dresses are protection from human traffickers and sexual assault. These awful people think that these girls are being watched over by someone so these girls are a little safer. I wanted to give a little update. So far I have 38 dresses and I know of a lot more are coming, so I think a goal of 60 dresses would be outstanding if we could reach this goal.

Sizes 2-14 pillowcase or t-shirt dresses are great cause they can slip over their heads. No zippers or button closures. Consignment store clothes are great too as long as they just slip over the girl's heads.

My heart has been touched by your generosity and I pray God blesses all of you greatly.

I would like to send the dresses in July so please have them to me by the end of June or place them in the office with my name on them and I will pick them up there. Also, if you can donate 2 dollars for the cost of sending these dresses to Africa for each dress you give, it would be greatly appreciated.

In Christ's love, Dawn Snyder



Come out and support our local small business vendors. This is an outside event in our beautiful Grove area. All the proceeds from the vendor fees will go towards our disaffiliation costs. Chapel's media team will be selling food & drinks from the sandwich stand – they are fund-raising for media improvement needs.

BAG & BIBLE COLLECTION

Chapel Members and Friends the Bag & Bible collection is an ongoing project!!!!

Please place both reusable and large brown paper grocery bags in the marked bin inside the Education Wing entrance. **Please note: NO** plastic bags or bags that DO NOT have a flat bottom. Bibles may be placed on the bookshelves that are inside the Education Wing entrance.

Thank you !!!!!!!

DAY CARE NEWS

This past month we passed our inspection from the state of Pennsylvania. We had a few minor fixes, but nothing major. Our inspector complemented us on having a very nice and clean facility. She also said she was very happy with the children and teachers interacting with each other and the age-appropriate activities they were completing. This is a big kudos to all of you! You have volunteered and worked to help us have such a nice center. We appreciate all of your hard work!

This month we will be learning about insects, pirates, birds and pond life. We will also be learning about God giving us his word of the Bible and 10 special rules to follow (the Ten Commandments).

Keep all of us in your prayers that we can continue to use this center as an outreach ministry and that we will continue to touch lives.

Lynn Snell – Daycare Director

From Leadership Council

"Click and Lois have bequeathed a donation to their Chapel Family and God.

Click and Lois, and the Ludwig family, believe strongly in tithing and debt free living.

In that spirit, Click and Lois's generous final tithe to the Lord is to be applied to the mortgage fund principal."

Spring Cleanup – As springtime is upon us and we get excited about the return of the sunshine and warmer temperatures, along with that comes the return of those nasty weeds as well. A spring clean-up day is planned for Saturday, May 13th, beginning at 9 am. We plan to pull weeds and spread mulch around the church property. Many hands make light work, so if you're available, please come out and bring your gloves, rakes etc. and let's get our church grounds looking beautiful again. We could use a couple of wheelbarrows to help the job go faster. Lunch will be provided if we are not finished by noontime. Please contact Pam Vucetich if you know you plan to help, or just show up that day if available. (call or text 717-515-0078)



Summer Fest

JULY 29, 2023

12:00 - 6:00 PM

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Please see the following individuals to sign up:

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| Kitchen | Brian Elicker |
| Soup To be made prior to event | The Cooley's |
| Baked Goods | Bonnie Bluett |
| Makers Market\Silent Auction | Mary Ann Hildebrand-Tierney |
| Traffic Control | Dave Zurn |
| Sanitation & Cleanup | The Conrad's Or Henry Reinoehl |
| Entertainment | Heather Dunn or Krissy Ogurcak |

CALL FOR ACTION

Donations needed:

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| Baked Goods Bonnie Bluett | Pies, cakes, cookies, etc. Items are due between 4-7 PM on July 28th or July 29th by 10 AM. |
| Makers Market Mary Ann Hildebrand-Tierney | Handcrafted items |
| Silent Auction Mary Ann Hildebrand-Tierney | Big ticket or specially crafted items suitable to be auctioned |



PAINT A SLATE

MAY 17, 2023

6 PM – 9 PM

FELLOWSHIP HALL

**LAST
CHANCE**

**SIGN UP FORM IN THE LOBBY
EVENT IS LIMITED TO 12 ATTENDEES!**



Paint A Rock

'Rock Painting' at 9:30am outdoor near the pavilion. Bring a rock (or several), at least grapefruit-size or larger, to decorate for placement along the walking path, or perhaps in the garden setting. You can bring your own paint and brushes or there will be some supplies on hand. Contact Janelle Warner with questions about type of paint or other related info. Look for fun shaped rocks and design a fun creature with your paint or whatever. We will allow them to dry for a couple days and then meet on Tuesday (6/6 – weather permitting) to place them. If you paint your rock at home, please plan to join us on Tuesday for the placing fun. Please use discretion with the decorating choices so they are appropriate for a Prayer Garden area.

Congratulations to our own Chapel Church Bowling team for their **First Place** Finish in the Lion Bowling Center church league on Thursday nights!!!!!!!!!!

Prayer Focus for the Month of May... BLOOM

Our Prayer Focus for the month of May is ... **Bloom**. Now this may seem only natural as we are on the fringes of a bursting forth of blossoms, budding trees and unfurling foliage. However, there is also a cliché that goes, “Bloom Where You Are Planted”. We see it on signs, social media and you might even have it hanging in your office or on your laptop. But have you thought that it could be seen in the same context of words to the Israelites during their exile in Babylon as they yearned for their beloved Jerusalem? Imagine you are there... another day in a strange land, clinging to decades of captivity, dwindling hope and sagging spirits. Your soul longs to return to your physical roots, to spiritual stirrings within you and to a tribe and tradition that is crying for freedom. Then a letter is read by one of the priests which was written by the prophet Jeremiah. Does this not fill your heart with hope, purpose and meaning?

“Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they have produced. Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters... seek the peace and prosperity of the city... Pray to the Lord for it...” Jer 29:4-7

Was the Almighty telling the Israelites through Jeremiah, to Bloom Where You Are Planted when the time arrives for their release? Is He telling us that today?? Now don't overthink this! We are not coming out of exile and are actually living in or near the vicinity of Red Lion, not Jerusalem. But guess what? I have the opportunity each morning to be a returning exile from a prison of sinful actions and prideful thoughts, to start my list. Joy comes in the morning when I find renewal and forgiveness in the Jesus of the Resurrection story and find hope in the next steps. And what is God's reply? Build, settle, plant and enjoy. Bloom where you are planted. Tend the garden. Reap the harvest. Share with others and repeat as needed to abide and be nourished on the vine.

Bloom today for yourself. **Bloom** for others to see the goodness of God. **Bloom** for a hurting community and broken world. **Bloom** as if lives depend on it. The Lord desires that all come to His saving knowledge and your blooms can set a foundation. Your blossoms are fresh for today and you were planted here for a purpose. Let's dig into Chapel's rich fertile soil and **bloom** where we are planted!

*The Joy of the Redeemed
The desert and the parched land will be glad;
The wilderness will rejoice and blossom.
Like the crocus, it will burst into bloom;
It will rejoice greatly and shout for joy... Isaiah 35:1-2*

The Women's Prayer Group Initiative

Gaye Ludwig, Wendy Tobias, Barbara Toomey, Kristina Ogurcak and Whitney Wargo



Happy Birthday & Anniversary:

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| May 1 | Brad & Gaye Ludwig | May 22 | Bill & Diane Leight |
| May 4 | Joe & Ione Groff | May 23 | Bonnie & Thomas Brenner |
| May 5 | Tim & Jackie Lauer | May 24 | Tom & Linda Gardner |
| May 13 | Tracey & Chip MacDonald | May 24 | Kathy & Philip Groff |
| May 14 | Peggy & James Fry | May 26 | Ron & Bonita Lighty |
| May 16 | Bill & Judy Heindel | May 27 | Seth & Brooke Gingrich |
| May 20 | Brian & Melissa Elicker | May 28 | Bonnie & Terry Bluett |
| | | May 30 | Arnie & Joan Fritzius |



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| 1 | Becky Arroyo | 13 | Karen Wills | 25 | Mark Lauer |
| 1 | Kathy Bradshaw | 14 | Tracey MacDonald | 26 | Wayne Angel |
| 2 | Jesse Funk | 17 | Drew Lighty | 26 | Alice Leight |
| 2 | Joe Groff | 17 | Ryan McCleary | 26 | Brad Ludwig |
| 2 | Colton Ogurcak | 20 | Brady Brenner | 27 | Audrey Schell |
| 4 | Lydia Tyson | 21 | Christy Durham-Snyder | 28 | Owen Angel |
| 4 | Leah Wagner Conner | 22 | Joyce Holtzapple | 28 | Linda Conner |
| 6 | Emily Straley | 22 | Henry Reinoehl | 28 | Ben Elicker |
| 8 | Allison LeGore | 23 | Bonnie Brenner | 29 | Jamison Gingrich |
| 8 | Aimee Miller | 23 | Linda Gardner | 30 | Ally Brenner |
| 8 | John Wagner | 25 | Cathleen Coleman | 30 | Sara Wagner |
| 11 | Robert Miller | 25 | Jen Eyler | 31 | Krysta Tyson |

Dear Chapel family,

I would like to thank you for the birthday wishes I received in the mail and in person. You sure knew how to make me feel special. I am glad though that I am not 1 year old for each card because I would be 111. Thank you all.

May God bless you,

Nancy Smith

May 6 – 11:00 AM – Linda Willson memorial service with Bereavement meal to follow

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Return Service Requested



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Go to our website

And catch up with what's happening at Chapel!

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