

THE CHAPEL MESSENGER

NOVEMBER 2022

A Letter from Pastor Josh

"Raising Up Fully Committed Followers of Jesus Christ." November 2022

Chapel Friends,

I'm so grateful to be back after my September renewal leave. Thank you for your prayers and support for my family and I. Remember, God rested on the seventh day, and even Jesus went to the mountains to be with the Father.

As I returned October 1, we hit the ground running. I'm grateful for "Of the Day" and the music and message they provided us over two days. I'm also excited about what God is doing here at Chapel. He is indeed making all things new, and big things are happening around us. We remain faithful as God leads us, and we seek His will.

In Christ,

Pastor Josh

Contact Us

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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

November 20 – Combined Worship at 10:30 AM- Sanctuary – Dave Zurn’s testimony

November 20 – Annual Charge Conference – 6:00 PM – Bethany UMC

November 10 – Discussion about possible disaffiliation – 6:30 PM – Sanctuary

November 13 – Discussion about possible disaffiliation – 9:15 AM – Sanctuary – There will be no Sunday School



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| Nov 3 | Youth night 6:30 - 8 |
| Nov 6 | Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15 |
| Nov 10 | Youth Night 6:30 - 8 |
| Nov 13 | none |
| Nov 17 | Youth night 6:30 – 8 |
| Nov 20 | Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15 |
| Nov 24 | Thanksgiving |
| Nov 27 | Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15 |

Women's Fellowship Day, November 12, 2022 (Saturday)

Our women's day event is soon approaching, and we hope you have registered to attend and to be a part of this day of sweet fellowship (hint: chocolate on site), powerful biblical messages to stir your soul, gourmet luncheon prepared for us and more! Plans are being finalized and our speaker is excited to join us with a deeper look into just how this finding rest looks to each one of us. Remember that there is a *Meet and Greet Campfire* on Friday evening at 7:00, weather permitting. Just bring warm clothes and lawn chair, meeting in church grove. If questionable weather, we will alert through email or call Marilyn Kotcher. We will start Saturday morning with registration and light breakfast items at 8:30, program beginning at 9:00. There are some spaces available, so don't delay if your calendar has cleared and you can attend. Contact the office as quickly as possible!

Gaye

Update on Shower Ministry -- "Shower Matters"

The showering ministry began in the spring of 2020, and then COVID slowed things down a bit since folks who could benefit from the services were not making in-person visits to Community Reach. During that time, we did care for one man who lived out of his vehicle, but am glad to report that he is now living in an apartment in York. We began on a monthly basis, but now we currently are serving a homeless couple on a fairly regular weekly basis.

Since the ministry began, Chapel has been open 44 days and provided 52 showers. What does this look like? While several places know of our ministry, Community Reach is most aware, as they are local. They hand out our brochure which has our cell number to contact. An appointment is set up, usually Tuesdays, and clearance is made with the church to ascertain building is available. We provide a bag lunch, so deli items are purchased, along with snack items or fruit, bottle of water. Before the person arrives, bathroom is set up with towel, mat; trial size toiletries are given. After showering, the lunch is given and we offer prayer with the person. Upper Room devotional is given if interested and we also indicate times of our Worship and other church activities. While there are no "strings attached" for the shower services, we find that some folks are needing conversation and acceptance, as much as a shower!

The purpose of this update is to thank our church family, specifically, Missions as they encouraged this ministry from the beginning and financially helped us from time to time with gas gift cards and grocery gift cards. We've had Chapel volunteers help us at various times, and that has been great! If you would like to become involved, please let me know. It is a time commitment of about 1-2 hours, a trip to Giant for lunch items and laundering the towels in your home. According to comfort level, we offer to pray for them, especially specific prayer requests they might have. Finally, there's a clean-up in showering area. That's it! But the rewards of helping someone maintain their physical well-being with cleanliness and a meal is actually a privilege. With the Holy Spirit helping you to imagine "walking in their shoes", the ministry becomes a joy and the task becomes a service. And if our facility can accommodate those in need, may we do so with compassion.

18 South Meal Partner

Chapel has partnered with 18 South to provide meals for kids who may not get a hot meal every day, or, on some occasions, it may be the only meal they get on a daily basis. Because of this, Chapel is seeking monthly meal partners for 18 South. We are asking you to prayerfully consider this ministry above your normal tithing.

___ YES! I would like to become a meal partner with 18 South in the amount of _____ per month

___ YES! I would like to make a one-time donation to 18 South (When making a donation, please write 18 South in the memo line)

___ I will continue to pray for the leaders, volunteers, and youth at 18 South

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ...And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' Matthew 25 35-37,40



2nd Annual Chapel Craft/Vendor Show

November 26 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Parish Bldg-Ed Wing- Outside in the Grove

Over 30 different booths!!!

Egg Sandwiches, Hot dogs, Hamburgers & Chicken Corn Soup for sale

The funds raised from this event will be donated to the Missions Committee to help support 18 South Cooking Project.

We are asking for donations of baked goods to sell. You can drop these off Friday after 4:00PM or before noon the day of the event. A few volunteers are needed after 4:00 PM on Saturday to help setup the Parish Bldg and Ed Wing for Sunday Worship.

Chapel Crafters will have a booth. If you are interested in providing crafts or helping the day of the event, please contact Gaye Ludwig or Bertie Wallick.

Leadership Council Updates

Director of Children's Ministry Opening: If you enjoy working with children and families to help them know Jesus and grow in their faith, you may feel led to consider our Director of Children's Ministry position. The Director of Children's Ministry leads a team of volunteers to offer Sunday School, Nursery, and other special Children's Ministry programs and events throughout the year. This position is approximately 15 hours per week. If you would like more information, please contact Bonnie Bluett by email at bonniebluett@yahoo.com or by phone at 717-515-4995.

October 2022 Leadership Council Summary

Sale of Land:

1. Charge Conference of 10/13/22 selected to move forward with KBS Capital to sell the field to (7 acres in total with the portion the Cemetery Association had decided to sell). KBS had the highest offer (\$1.325M) and the least number of contingencies with plans to close by the end of the year.
2. The final contract is being written and we have retained an attorney to assist.

Finance:

1. Giving is down and we continue to be short on cash in the general and mortgage fund.

Discussion around Disaffiliation from the UMC:

1. An informational meeting with Chapel leadership is being scheduled to understand the costs of disaffiliation.

Staff

1. We are still considering candidates for the open **Maintenance** and **Children's Director** positions. If you are someone you know is interested, please reach out to Bonnie Bluett for more information.

Next meeting will be November 21st at 6:30PM in the Education Wing.



*Free Thanksgiving
Meal at Chapel
Church*

**When: Thursday, November
24th from 11-2pm**

**Where: 3050 Cape Horn Road,
Red Lion**

**Who: Anyone who wants to
enjoy a warm meal amongst
friends**



Happy
Thanksgiving!

THANKSGIVING MEAL INFORMATION

Chapel Church is hosting a free community meal on Thanksgiving Day. Volunteers are needed for food preparation the day before and for serving the day of the meal as well as cleanup after the meal. Also, we will be cooking turkeys on November 20. If you are able to help, please contact Kristina Ogurcak or the church office. Signup sheets are in all the lobbies.

We are also asking for donations of food for the meal. We need 18lb turkeys, bags of potatoes for mashed potatoes, #10 cans of corn & green beans, bread (cubed bags or loaves), mini dinner rolls, gallons of milk, bags of celery, onions, parsley, low sodium chicken stock, wondra flour & unsalted butter. Signup sheets for these items are also in the lobbies. Please contact Kristina Ogurcak if you have any questions. Money donations are also accepted.

Desserts are also needed. Any kind are acceptable. Desserts may be brought to the church on Tuesday or Wednesday (Nov 22/23rd).

Chow chow update and some EXCITING news

Chapel Family, as I step away as leader of the chow chow crew, I just want to express my sincere thanks to all who have volunteered over these 24 years and their commitment to this ministry. Lois Ludwig envisioned this ministry in 1998 and asked me to join her in this venture. We started in her kitchen to make the chow chow but soon learned our pots were not big enough to hold the amount of vegetables we had. So, the church kindly let us use the Parish Hall kitchen as our base of operation. I think the very first time we made chow chow we only did 4 batches for orders for the church. Lois and I did all the chopping and cooking at first too. What an undertaking. We started getting more orders so some people came to help like Carol Blessing and Mrytle Emenheiser and Esther Hengst. Lois kept a journal of every time we did chow chow and the prices in 1998 were very low compared to now. Her journals are fascinating reading. We charged \$2.25 for a pint of chow chow then as compared to \$4.00 dollars now. Our chow chow orders kept growing and growing and we finally made the decision to sell it to the public at our picnic and every event the church had. I know one time we made 14 batches and that was a long day of work. We had such great fellowship and fun together during these past 24 years and I know Lois is looking down on us and saying well done fellow servants. I am just going to mention a few of the projects we have helped with our profits. We helped prayer squares, prison ministry, roof fund, some needy families, children's ministry, military families, women's retreat, stitches of hope, choir gown fund, mission central, Servants missions, Henderson trips, Chapel youth projects, Operation Strength and our Mortgage fund. So many more I will not mention, but if the need was there, we tried to fill it. I have been blessed to be a part of this great crew and I know God's hand of blessing has been over it all these years.

Now for the EXCITING news! Jerry Henry has come forward saying he wants to take over the chow chow ministry. So we can all still enjoy Chapel chow chow. My thanks to Jerry for wanting to do this. I know God will continue to bless this ministry as he goes forward with it. He is always looking for new volunteers too to help in any way you can.

So needless to say please, start returning your quart and pint jars so they can be reused.

We have a great stock on hand for the holidays. If you wish to purchase any, see any member of the chow chow crew or Jerry. I will try to keep you up to date on our supply.

Again, THANK YOU for your support of this ministry and may it continue for a long time.

Dawn Snyder

**2022 CHOW-CHOW SALE
FOR
"THANKSGIVING" and "CHRISTMAS"!!!
Thru End of the Year**

Please fill in the AMOUNT and SIZE YOU PREFER!

Please insert the DATE you want to pick up your order _____

| AMOUNT: | TOTAL \$'s |
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| _____ <i>Pints @ \$4.00/Jar.</i> | _____ |
| _____ <i>Quarts @ \$8.00/Jar.</i> | _____ |
| _____ <i>Splenda" PINTS ONLY" @ \$4.00/Jar.</i> | _____ |
| TOTAL \$ | _____ |

NAME: _____ **Telephone #:** _____
(PLEASE PRINT)

LAST DAY to ORDER is Sunday, December 31, 2022

PLEASE PAY WHEN PICKING UP CHOW-CHOW—CASH or CHECK

(If paying by check, mark Chow Chow on the memo line)

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: "CHAPEL CHURCH"



Time to Hang the Greens!

November 21 – time TBD – volunteers needed to bring up Christmas decorations and preliminary prep

November 25 – time TBD – volunteers needed to decorate the sanctuary, main entrance lobby & fellowship hall (ed wing will be decorated the week of Nov 28 after the craft show is over.

Please contact Mark Downs or Muriel Slenker if you are available. We also need to set out the Nativity Scene.



Chapel Church is pleased to bring this holiday special event to the Red Lion Area.

November 27 – Parish Building – 3:00 PM – Doors will open at 2:00 PM

No tickets are required. There will be a “Free Will” offering at the end of the concert.

There will be a short intermission with light refreshments available

Christmas in Perfect Harmony is a stage production presented by LeeP Productions from Strasburg PA.

Members of the group are Kat Pritckett, Sarah Poague and Ric Zimmerman.

Christmas Cookies are needed and may be dropped off Sunday morning 11/27 or before 2:00 PM that day.

November Prayer Focus - Let Us Give Thanks

Our beautiful fall days are rolling into an even crispier and chilly season of gathering and harvesting. We see baskets of apples, piles of pumpkins and squashes of all varieties, as well as home-canned jars of everything from red beets to peaches. Sometimes we need the "physical" to truly "see" the goodness in our lives.

Join us in November as we concentrate our Prayer Focus for this month of in-gathering...Let Us Give Thanks. Scriptures overflow with cries, utterances, pleas, and even loud voices of praise, thankfulness and gratefulness to our Heavenly Father. You are in an absolutely great company of saints when you allow your spirit to express your thanks in whatever way that you are led. A note, encouraging word, text or email to share your heart... you get it. It might also be to share a monetary gift to express your thankfulness of your blessings. Allow what you **see** around you to soften your heart to the **goodness** of God. This is your nudge to thank those in your life who have or presently are blessing you, or perhaps your family.

Our prayer focus also involves thankfulness for our sweet fellowship here at Chapel, for our Shepherd, and for each person that steps into our beautiful facility. Personally and in assembly, Let Us Give Thanks to Jehovah Jireh...the Lord Will Provide. He HAS provided, look around; and He WILL provide because he is now and forever, the Alpha and the Omega. Rest in who He is and thank Him for what He is doing. God is good!

Personal Note: In your devotional time, thank God for what he has done, BEFORE you see it. I find it puts me in a position to more easily SEE his goodness. It does not come easily for me to do this for I am barely scratching the surface of this spiritual discipline. Work in progress! Join me!

I implore you to read this brief scripture that incredibly describes such a robust and stirring event of praise... Ezra 3:11-13. May our praises indeed be heard "far away"!!!

Gaye Ludwig on behalf of the Women's Prayer Initiative Group



Happy Birthday & Anniversary:

Nov 9 Jeremy & Irene Orwig

Nov 24 Jeff & Lee Poff



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| 2 | Ron Chubb | 18 | Ray Boyd | 29 | Kellie Smith |
| 2 | Cameron Smith | 18 | Jada Bryant | 29 | Linda Wilison |
| 4 | Joan Fritzius | 18 | Kinsley Wargo | 30 | Cortney Grim |
| 4 | Mac MacDonald | 19 | Melissa Elicker | 30 | Lisa Livelsberger |
| 7 | Bonita Lighty | 20 | Aly Bailey | | |
| 7 | Abigail Smith | 20 | Michael Henning | | |
| 7 | Linda Spahr | 21 | Christine Helmeczi | | |
| 8 | Brianna Elicker | 21 | Aubrie Wise | | |
| 9 | Chip MacDonald | 24 | Ruth Smith | | |
| 11 | Polly Bailey | 25 | Jennie Lauer | | |
| 11 | Doug McWilliams | 27 | James Fry | | |
| 13 | Chloe Wise | 27 | Sean Lauer | | |
| 15 | Brad Smith | 28 | Chris Kessler | | |
| 17 | Jada Groff | 29 | Casey Brenner | | |

Ernie & Cindy Smeltzer would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, concerns & prayers at the loss of my mother, Virginia (Ginny) Smeltzer. If anyone is in need of an Electric Lift recliner chair (lightly used), please contact Ernie Smeltzer

Many thanks to our church family for the outpouring of love & concern & prayers for us since Barry's stroke in August. All the cards, calls, visits & delicious meals were such a blessing during a challenging time.

God Bless you All!!!
Barry & Bertie Wallick

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Return Service Requested



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