THE CHAPEL MESSENGER

NOVEMBER 2026

A Letter from Pastor Josh

"worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.."

Chapel friends,

I am so thankful for the amazing turnout we had on October 19-20 for our Prayer Convocation. Chapel really stepped up and showed amazing hospitality to our Global Methodist pastors across the connection. Everyone loved the parish building, our campus, the food, and hospitality. I had the opportunity to speak with many pastors who walked away from their church property. Chapel opened their doors to serve the pastors and share the amazing resources God blessed us with.

Dr. Steve Seamands from Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, KY was our keynote speaker for the event. He challenged us all to "marinate" our lives in prayer. He also shared when we do not prioritize prayer in our life, "God misses us." My prayer is that 2027 be a year completely saturated in prayer. I pray that the prayers of Chapel be baked into our walls and spill into our community.

We had amazing prayer partners, hospitality, media, and kitchen helpers. Chapel pulled together to serve our pastors and make an impact to the glory of God the Father.

In Jesus' name,

Pastor Josh

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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, YouTube or chapelchurch.org

Church Office Hours:

Monday –Thursday

9: 00 AM – 12: 00 PM

Friday - closed

Prayer Chain:

chapelpt@gmail.com

Worship Updates

November 15 – Annual Charge Conference – 12:00 noon – Sanctuary

November 29 – Combined Service – 9:00 AM

November 29 – Blue Christmas – details to follow

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STUDENT
MINISTRY

Nov 1	Combine Svc – no SS
Nov 5	Youth night 6:30 - 8
Nov 8	Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15
Nov 12	Youth night 6:30 - 8
Nov 15	Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15
Nov 19	Youth night 6:30 - 8
Nov 22	Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15
Nov 26	Thanksgiving Day
Nov 29	Combined Svc – no SS



Youth Update:

Hello everyone! The month of October was a very fun filled God centered month for the youth of Chapel Church. We had a fireside worship night, pumpkin carving, and we got to go to Hershey Park. Through these activities community was built, fun was had, and most importantly God is worshiped! The message series that we are in right now for Thursday youth night is Essentials of the Faith. We are going through essential beliefs and doctrines of the faith so that we have that foundation to build upon. We appreciate your continued prayers and support of this ministry and of the youth!

We meet every Thursday from 6:30pm to 8. This is for grades 7-12. We play games, worship through music, pray for each other, and learn through scripture study. If anyone at any age is curious about what we do during youth group, please join us we would love for you to worship with us!

We also meet every Sunday during Sunday school hour. This time is spent teaching how to read Gods word.

If you are interested in getting involved, please reach out to Ian McKinnell at ian@chapelchurch.org

Young Adults!

Young Adults is going very well! And we are excited to see what God has for this group in the future. The Young adult group is for anyone ages 18-25. The young adults meet in B4 for both the 2nd and 4th Saturday evenings starting at 6pm. For Sunday mornings during the Sunday school hour they are discussing spiritual gifts. For Saturday the small group will include scripture study, discussion and prayer. The young adults are doing a study called “He Gets Us” by Max Lucado. I am very excited with the spiritual growth in this group and i am excited to see how God continues to use the young adults of Chapel for His glory! If you or someone you know would be interested in something like this please reach out to Ian McKinnell and he will get you plugged in! ian@chapelchurch.org

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The elementary children will be finishing up the historical books of the Bible at the end of November and beginning a month of poetry. They love learning about God's upside down kingdom and seeing his goodness always prevail.

The kids will have some mission opportunities coming up. First, during Sunday School in November, they will have an opportunity to pack a few shoeboxes to be sent for Operation Christmas Child. If anyone would like to donate new items to assist in packing, please see a list available here. Monetary donations are also welcome. Additionally, starting in January they will partake as a class in the Card Ministry's new "Adopt a Homebound Person" program. The kids are excited to be a part of it!

HELP NEEDED

In the evenings of the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of every month, the moms group has been meeting at 6:30pm. We have had childcare available, and we are in need of expanding this care. We are asking for people to donate 2 or 4 hours each month to spend time with some of our youngest friends. What would 2 hours of your time look like? Please contact Linda Conner.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- **July 18th-23rd, 2027** – Mark your calendars for NEXT YEAR'S camp! Interested in helping or learning more? Let us know (maria@chapelchurch.org).

NOVEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 this child.	2 the opportunity to pray for this child.	3 this child's parents. Pray for them.	4 the uniqueness of this child.	5 this child's friends. Pray for them.	6 the challenges this child faces.	7 this child's special way of seeing the world.
8 this child's energy.	9 this child's education.	10 this child's teachers. Pray for them.	11 this child's physical health.	12 bringing this child to the church.	13 this child's freedom to worship Him.	14 the fun times this child has.
15 the wisdom he promises this child. Pray they seek it.	16 the skills this child has mastered.	17 this child's future family. Pray for them.	18 every part of this child's personality.	19 creating this child.	20 the plan He has for this child. Pray they follow it.	21 the material blessings the child has.
22 the grace He has given this child. Pray they know it.	23 this child's will. Pray they submit it to God.	24 this child's sense of humor.	25 this child's gender. Pray they know the truth.	26 the godly influences in this child's life. Pray for them.	27 this child's family. Pray for them.	28 this child's courage. Pray it is strength -ened in Christ.
29 His promises. Pray this child sees them.	30 His love for this child. Pray they see it, know it, feel it.	Thank God for...				

The Chapel Rummage Sale for 2027

The Chapel Rummage Sale will be a CHURCH-WIDE fundraiser in 2027. The rummage sale will be held April 29 & 30 and May 1 of 2027. As you sort, clean, de-clutter and downsize, please keep this in mind for donating to Chapel.

Chapel Rummage Sale Drop Off for November 12th

Our third Chapel Rummage Sale donation drop off will be **Thursday, November 12, 2026 from 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM (please note that the ending time is different) at the Parish Bldg**. Accepting small items only that will fit in a box 23x11x16 (clothing, jewelry, books, etc.). No large items will be accepted until April 2027. We had a nice assortment of donations, so thank you to all who participated!

Additional Needs: Volunteers: To help with set up at 1pm on Nov. 12th and to help with sorting from 2pm-6pm. If you are able to help for even an hour, please contact Bonnie Bluett at bonniebluett@yahoo.com, or other Rummage Sale Committee members: Deb & Jim Fickes, Pat & Ray Forney, Lois & Larry Orwig, and Jean Chubb

ADOPT A HOME-BOUND PERSON PROGRAM

For less than the cost of a cup of coffee you can be a blessing to a home-bound person—priceless.

The Card Ministry is sponsoring our first annual adopt-a-home-bound person for 2027. What does this entail?

- Pray about if God wants you to be a part of this ministry
- Sign up
- You will receive the name and address of a home-bound person along with 12 cards in their envelopes. (Each are tagged in the stamp area for which month they are to be sent out).
- Each month sign the card, address the envelope, stamp, and send it.

You may say, "I don't know what to write in the card." That is okay. Your signature is all that is needed. I have been sending cards out each month to a core group of care givers and others for over 10 years. When I first started, I only signed my name. In the last 2 years I have been writing a personal message in the card. I have never had someone say to me that these recent cards meant more to them than the ones in the past. What I have heard is. "The cards were just what I needed, it came at the right time, I display the card until I receive the next one, and I have kept all of the cards."

The cost of a stamp is 82 cents. I know that for some people this can seem like a lot to give each month. That is why I am asking you to pray. I know that God can provide because He has asked us to take care of those in need and He is a big God who wants you to come to Him with your needs. A card will fill the need of being seen, valued, and remembered.

This is a commitment for one year. We are asking only those who are dedicated to seeing this through to sign up. That is why I'm asking you to pray.

Let me be up front with you. Most of the time people will not tell you how much they appreciated the cards you sent. But we are not doing this for man's appreciation, but because we want to be obedient and to hear God's, "Well done."

We will be handing out the cards to participants on a first come basis. If we have more people sign up than what we need, don't despair. There is next year. This will be an annual event.

You can be involved as a Sunday School Class, as individuals, or as a family.

Contact me, Barbara Toomey, if you want to sign up. You will receive your cards by mid-December. Come be a part of sending God's love and encouragement one card at a time.

8am Choir and Special Music schedule:

November 1 – Bud Warner

November 29 – Muriel Slenker

December 6 - Choir

December 13 - Choir

December 20 - Choir

December 24 (Christmas Eve)



Fall Campus Cleanup Day – Saturday, November 21 – 8:00 AM



Welcome to Missions! Have a need that you want to share with Missions, know someone who may need assistance, want to get involved but you're not sure what opportunities are available... email: missions@chapelchurch.org.

Susan Workinger

Missions Chair

Chapel Church Volunteer Day

Thanks to everyone who participated in the volunteer event! Volunteers supported 18 South, Glenn Hope Care Farm and Chapel Church.



Hygiene Collection Drive - Until November 22nd we will be collecting hygiene products to give away during the Community Thanksgiving Meal. Bring in items and place the items in the Narthex or in the entryway to the Parish Hall. Items Needed: Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Feminine Hygiene Products, Deodorant, Disposable Razors, Band-Aids, Cotton Balls, and Q-Tips.



Operation Christmas Child

"By filling ordinary shoeboxes full of toys and other fun items, you can be part of giving boys and girls what may be their first gift ever! Local churches in more than 100 nations hand out these Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts at festive outreach events where the Gospel is presented in a child-friendly way. Each box bursting with items such as a soccer ball, doll, or stuffed animal becomes a tangible expression of God's love to the child, their family, and their community."

Boxes are available in the lobbies. Filled boxes are due by November 22nd.



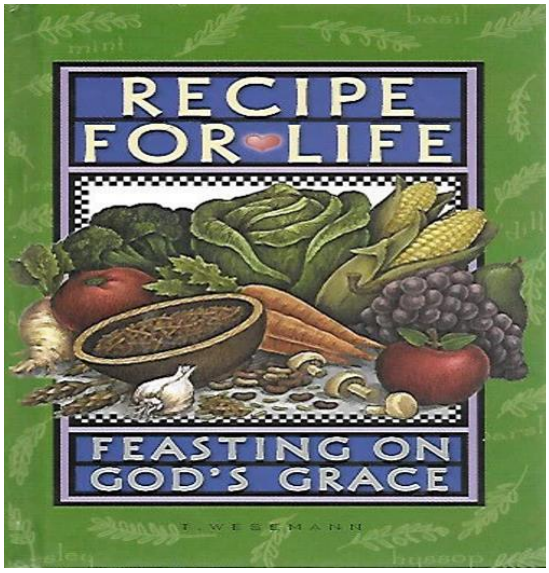
Human Life Services is running low on several important baby care items: white laundry baskets, baby laundry detergent and Similac Advance infant formula. Email LoriB@humanlifeservices.org or call 223-848-8273 to donate or coordinate a drop-off.



Community Thanksgiving Meal – November 26

Preparations and planning have begun for this event. Volunteers will be needed as usual. A few things are changing this year to help with keeping the lines moving. Takeout meals will be moved to another area to allow the eat-in line to move more quickly. More details and signup sheets for volunteers will be available soon. As noted in the Missions section, hygiene items will also be available for anyone that needs them. Stay Tuned!!!!!



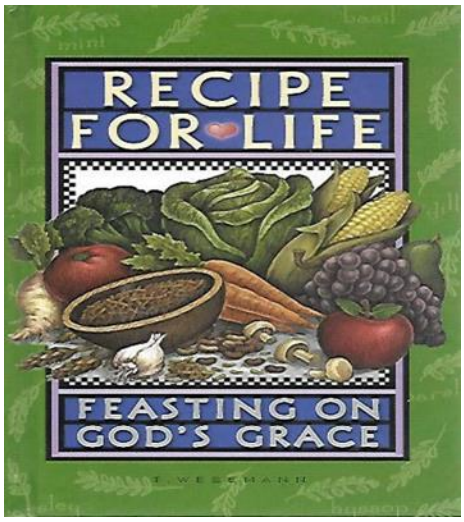


Women's Fellowship Day

Saturday, November 14, 2026
Registration Begins: 8:00 am
Continental Breakfast: 8:00-9:00 am
Program: 9:00-11:30 am

Recipe For Life: Feasting on God's Grace

A cup of this, a teaspoon of that, and just a pinch of the other. A recipe shows us the ingredients for something delicious! And our Women's Fellowship Day will feature not only scrumptious breakfast foods, but heart-felt worship, a skit to make you chuckle, and messages that challenge us. Our speaker this year is Pastor Layne Vizthum.
We enjoyed Pastor Layne so much last year that we invited her back!
Our own Muriel Slenker will be our emcee and worship leader with guest Jann Conrad on keyboard. These godly women will help us discover our own "recipes" for living an abundant life with Jesus. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy food, fellowship and fun with other women – friends and friends-to-be! "Stir" one another on to love…" Heb 10:24
Cost: $15. Registration forms are available in the lobbies. Deadline for registration is November 8th. Questions? Contact the Church Office at (717)244-6375.
Childcare is available – please let us know in the registration form



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Cost: $15. Cut on dotted line and send the bottom half with payment to: Chapel Church, 3050 Cape Horn Road, Red Lion, PA 17356 with checks payable to *"Chapel Women's Ministry".* Deadline for registration is November 8 . Questions? Contact the Church Office at (717)244-6375. Childcare is available – please let us know in form below if needed.

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Name:_____

Address: _____ City, State & Zip: _____

Phone #: ( )_____ Email: _____

If you need childcare: _____ # of children and their ages: _____ Registration deadline for notification of child care is Nov 8.

It's November and that means there are only seven [7!] weeks until the 4th Annual Live Nativity Drive-Thru event!! It's time to say 'Yes' to the need for volunteers! Please look for the sign-up sheets in the mail lobby and the parish building entrance lobby, fill out your info and interest, and we will contact you soon; or contact Muriel at murislenk@gmail.com or 717/586-3586 (text or leave a message) or let the office know and we will get back to you.

Remember - there is no dialogue involved! We just need the in-costume Biblical characters portrayed and interacting with the visitors as they drive past each scene. Especially needed are people who love to sing Christmas Carols by the fire pits; six or more would be great so we can have two groups, or at least rotate in/out to give short breaks. Also needed are helpers the week after Thanksgiving and up thru the week of the event to pre-prep the scenes with lighting and decor, etc. Please - sign up now or ask for more information!

DECEMBER IS APPROACHING QUICKLY!

LIVE NATIVITY Drive-Thru *CAST & CREW NEEDED!*

DECEMBER 19/ SATURDAY / 5-7PM

One evening only! Call time at 4pm! (no dialogue, just in-costume action)
Our fourth year for this seasonal event needs helpers and participants! Contact Muriel Slenker, Heather Dunn or Mary Ann with interest or questions. Pre-planning is beginning and the actual event needs several Biblical 'actors'.
The areas include:

Scenery/Décor *(needed 12/17&18&morning of 19th)*
*preparing the backdrop for the Magi scene
*preparing the bandstand for the Angel scene
*preparing the Nativity scene at the entrance to prayer garden

Pre-preparation *(needed by second weekend in December*)
*place lighting in the grove areas along the drive; hang lights at the bandstand
*place/prepare firepits for various scenes (wood is available)
*locate bales of straw/hay (about 12) and deliver/place for scene prep
*place signage for event and for traffic flow

Biblical Characters (Dec.19)
*Magi [3] *Inn Keeper [1] *Angels [at least 4]
*Shepherd family [any age]
*Mary and Joseph [older teens or young adults]
*Carolers [as many as possible to rotate singers for breaks]
*Soldier/Guard [at least 2 needed; will also tend fire pits]
*Traffic Control [3 or 4; plus set out traffic cones before 4pm]
*Exit give-away station help [2 or 3]
*Hot Chocolate maker/server [2]

*Event Night Helpers [2 or3; help characters w/costumes; as needed tasks]

After Event Helpers
*Fire pit tender to safely dowse and assure that all are out
*Traffic cones and barricades removed and stored; some signage removed *Tear-down scenery after Christmas weekend [*as weather permits*]

Be part of the action or the preparation for this outreach event! THANKS!

PRAYER GARDEN

There is a need to replace the small direction arrows along the Walking Path which surrounds the Prayer Garden. Any handi-person who would be interested in crafting new wooden arrows attached to a small post, please contact Muriel Slenker with your interest. This could be done in the spring or before the winter arrives this season, whichever is preferred. Probably need about a dozen for placing along the curves in the pathway. The current ones have a scripture reference which could be used as the inspiration. Thank you in advance!

Decoration Elves Needed!

Help is needed during the week of November 23-27 to bring the Christmas tree up from the storage room and set up in the sanctuary, and adding a few decorations as possible; also bringing up the trees for the stage in the Fellowship Hall, and the one for the Edc. Wing (this one cannot be set up until after the Craft Vendor Saturday). Other tasks needed include placing the decorative greens on the outside doors, bringing the pew candle holders upstairs, and placing the wreaths and greens on the inside of the facility.
A few men are needed to set up the outdoor nativity which can be done anytime in November. Please let the office or Muriel know when you can help, thanks!



We are looking for volunteers to help setup the Education Wing/Fellowship Hall on Friday November 27th for the show and after the show on Saturday to put furniture, etc back for church on Sunday. This is a public event and we would also like volunteers at the show entrances to greet people. We do sell food at this event and will be in need of baked goods (particularly cookies & other similar things). All the profits from this event are given to Chapel . If you are interested in being a vendor, signup is available on Chapel's facebook page. Please contact either Heather Dunn or Mary Ann with any questions.

CALLING ALL CHAPEL CRAFTERS TO LOOK AHEAD....

.... to November 28th, the date of the Christmas Craft Show at Chapel Church. It seems a bit in the distance but a genuine crafter is always working a season ahead and I'll bet there are some in our fellowship who are scrolling Pinterest for the perfect Christmas gift(s) to make! If you find something(s) you would like to create and donate to our craft show at Chapel's craft stand, we would love to display and sell. The proceeds from our stand benefit the Women's Ministry. Closer to the craft show date, we will let you know when and where to bring your craft items. CRAFT TIP: Take advantage of these hot and steamy days and stay inside in the cool air. Maybe the holiday spirit will kick in and before you know it, you'll be crafting and humming Christmas carols!

Any further questions, contact Gaye Ludwig, on behalf of Chapel Crafters.


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$250
OR
AFTER MARCH 31
PAY
$299
DON'T MISS IT!



Angie McWilliams is moving (end of October) and will no longer be handling the prayer chain. Jordan Sedgwick will be taking over – Angie is working with her during the transition. A new email to request prayers is being created and will be released when available. Please be aware of this transition and pray for it to go smoothly. Best wishes to Angie and thanks for her years of service.

Adult Small Group Study Classes

CLASS	CURRENT STUDY	WHEN	WHERE	INSTRUCTOR
God & Bible	The "I Am" 's	Sunday 9:15 AM	Lounge	Muriel Slenker
Crusaders for Christ	Various	Sunday 9:15 AM	Ed Wing – A4	Various
Families for Christ	Jesus in the Old Testament	Sunday 9:15 AM	Fellowship Hall	Various
Women Together	"Your Story has a Villain"	Sunday 9:15 AM	Ed Wing – A6	Dorain Foote
Couples for Christ	Book of James	Sunday 9:15 AM	Basement- Choir Room	Ogurcak
Men's Class	Jude	Monday or Tuesday 6:30 PM	A4	Ryan Ogurcak, Ian McKinnell
Women's Class	"Mama Bear Apologetics"	1st & 3rd Thursday 6:30 PM	A5	Hope McKinnell
ROMEO	Men's Breakfast	Monday Morning 9:00 AM	Two Brothers Café	Bill Leight
GEMS	Women's Breakfast	Friday Morning 8:15 AM	Red Lion Corner Café	Mary Ann & Regena
Women's Prayer Group Initiative		2nd & 4th Monday 8:15 AM	Lounge	Gaye Ludwig
Men's Prayer Group		Monday 6:30 PM	Lounge	
Young Adults	"He Gets Us" Max Lucado	Sat 6:00 PM & Sunday 9:15 AM	Basement – B5	Molly Conrad & Cameron Smith
Women's Bible Study	Jude	Tuesday 6:30	A6	various
Women's Bible Study	"The Chosen"	Thursday 9:00 AM	Lounge	Kristina Ogurcak

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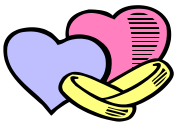

Happy Birthday & Anniversary:

Burnell & Mary Groupe	Nov 5	Ed & Rita Mellon	Nov 18
Jeremy & Irene Orwig	Nov 9	Jeff & Lee Poff	Nov 24



Ron Chubb	Nov 2	Ray Boyd	Nov 18
Cameron Smith	Nov 2	Jada Bryant	Nov 18
Joan Fritzius	Nov 4	Kinsley Wargo	Nov 18
Bonita Lighty	Nov 7	Melissa Elicker	Nov 19
Abigail smith	Nov 7	Aly Bailey	Nov 20
Polly Bailey	Nov 11	Aubrie Greenbrier	Nov 21
Doug McWilliams	Nov 11	Christine Helmeczi	Nov 21
Chloe Amspacher	Nov 13	Jessica Shane	Nov 24
Rachael Brinton	Nov 13	James Fry	Nov 27
Josaleen Sorvillo	Nov 15	Kellie Smith	Nov 29
Jada Groff	Nov 17	Lisa Livelsberger	Nov 30

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Return Service Requested

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And catch up with what’s happening at Chapel!

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