

# Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church Chatham County, North Carolina

**First Sunday in Lent  
February 18, 2018**

*Welcome to Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church, where all our members are ministers. We open our doors to all persons to join in worship, fellowship, educational programs, and service. We welcome into membership all who profess faith in Jesus Christ without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, worldly conditions, sexual orientation, ability, or any other human condition.*

## **THE GATHERING**

### **POEM OF REFLECTION**

Jane Kenyon

I am the blossom pressed in a book,  
found again after two hundred years. . . .  
I am the maker, the lover, and the keeper. . . .  
When the young girl who starves  
sits down to a table she will sit beside me. . . .  
I am food on the prisoner's plate. . . .  
I am water rushing to the wellhead,  
filling the pitcher until it spills. . . .  
I am the patient gardener  
of the dry and weedy garden. . . .  
I am the stone step,  
the latch, and the working hinge. . . .  
I am the heart contracted by joy. . . .  
the longest hair, white before the rest. . . .  
I am there in the basket of fruit  
presented to the widow. . . .  
I am the musk rose opening  
unattended, the fern on the boggy summit. . . .  
I am the one whose love  
overcomes you, already with you  
when you think to call my name. . . .

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please sign the fellowship pad & pass it on.)

If you have any prayer concerns or celebrations please write them on one of the index cards that can be found in the chair pockets, and place the card in the offering plate to be read aloud by the pastor.

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

BELL PEAL RINGING OF THE TRINITY

Handbell Choir

PRELUDE

Be Still My Soul

arr. Greg Howlett

\*OPENING SENTENCES

from Psalm 25

To you, O Lord, we lift up our souls;

**In you, O God, we offer our trust, open our hearts.**

Cause us to bear in mind your promises, O Lord;

**Keep us mindful of your covenant with your creation.**

**In an ever-changing world,**

**Anchor us by your steadfast love.**

\*HYMN #22

God of the Sparrow

ROEDER

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You, O Lord, have pledged to be our God and made us your people. We have turned away from your ways and the path you have set before us. We have broken your laws and ignored your ordinances. We have hurt others as well as ourselves. We hear Christ's call: "Repent and believe in the Good News!" O Righteous One, we ask to be in right relationship with you. We are sorry, God.**

Silent Confession

Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy

(Hymn #577)



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy. Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy. Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*(The congregation is invited to exchange the peace of Christ with one another, greeting each other with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you," or simply, "Peace." The response is, "and also with you.")*

Response of Praise

*We Are Forgiven*

(Hymn #447)

The musical notation is for the hymn "We Are Forgiven" in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of three staves of music. The lyrics are: "We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God." The guitar chords are: G, Am, D7, Gsus, G, C, G, Am7, Dsus, D, G, Am, D7, Gsus, G, C, G, Am7, D, G.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Andrew Taylor-Troutman

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Fred Royal

FIRST READING

Genesis 9: 8–17  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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SECOND READING

Mark 1:9–15  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

p.33  
LP, p.42

SERMON

“Repent Ye”

Andrew Taylor-Troutman

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from *The Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.

We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

**\*HYMN #819**

*Be Still, My Soul*

FINLANDIA

**OFFERING**

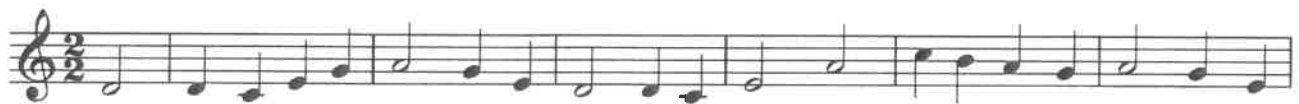
*Give Me Jesus*

Larry L. Fleming


*O, when I am alone give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus. When I come to die, give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus. And when I want to sing, give me Jesus. When I am alone, give me Jesus.*

**\*DOXOLOGY**

(Tune: WONDROUS LOVE)



All praise to God a - bove, who cre - at - ed the world, Praise to the one who made all things



good. All praise to Je-sus Christ, who gave for us his life. All praise the Ho-ly



Spir - it, who calls us to love. All praise the Ho - ly Three - in - one.

**CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (ending with The Lord's Prayer)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*HYMN #250

*In the Bulb There Is a Flower*

PROMISE

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE      *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me*      (Stanza 1, Hymn #543)  
*God be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to move my voice;*  
*God be the strength to now uphold me; O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.*

POSTLUDE

*God of the Sparrow*

Carl F. Schalk

*\*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

Leading our worship today:

Andrew Taylor-Troutman, Pastor  
Fred Royal, Lay Reader  
Jeremy Nabors, Director of Music Ministry  
Rob Passow, Pianist  
Katherine Brekke, Director of Handbell Choir

Mission Co-Worker:

Karla Koll, Costa Rica

**Worship Notes**

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Joan and Jack Zollinger to the glory of God.

Guests, we are glad you found us and we hope you feel welcomed in this time of worship. Please sign the black friendship pad so that we might get to know you. If you have pastoral concerns to share, please let the pastor or one of our members know. Our church is a member of Salem Presbytery, the Synod of Mid-Atlantic, and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

We welcome children in our service and to support them in their development as worshipers, we offer a few special times and spaces during the service. A Sacred Art Table is set up in the narthex where children can help to create a piece of art that will later be displayed. An adult member of the congregation will be sitting at the table to assist children. The Time With

Children is a special part of our worship when children and youth are invited to gather in the front chairs on the piano side of the pulpit. After Time With Children, young people are invited to rejoin their parent(s) or to work at the Sacred Art Table. A nursery is provided for children under the age of 4. If you have questions, please contact Paul Isom, Ruling Elder for Christian Education, at [pcisom@gmail.com](mailto:pcisom@gmail.com) or Joelle Brummitt-Yale, Director of Christian Education at [jbrummittvale@citppc.org](mailto:jbrummittvale@citppc.org).

Children's activity bags are available in the narthex. We ask you to leave them on the seats after worship or return them to the narthex.

Large print worship bulletins, Bibles and hymnals are available from the ushers. You are invited and encouraged to use these during worship. Handicapped parking is available in front of the church with level access into the sanctuary.

Church information brochures, offering envelopes, worship schedules, note cards for prayer concerns and celebrations can be found inside the red welcome folder in each chair pocket. Please use what you need and return the folder to the chair pocket.



The sanctuary and fellowship hall are equipped with hearing loops, making it possible for anyone with a t-coil-enabled hearing aid to hear worship services and events in the fellowship hall clearly. Hearing Assistance headphones are also available from the ushers. Before you leave the sanctuary or fellowship hall, please turn off the receiver and place in the specially marked receptacle or return to an usher.

A deacon or elder will be in the narthex from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. This person will be wearing a red carnation and is available to greet and assist members and visitors who may have questions, comments or special needs. Today we thank Deacon Mary Donna Pond for her help in the narthex.

## Our Life Together

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** – please remain in the sanctuary today following worship for the purpose of presenting the slate of deacon and elder nominees and the Annual Report to the Congregation for 2017.

**PENNIES FOR HUNGER OFFERING** - On **Sunday, February 25** we will receive our **Pennies for Hunger** offering. Set aside just 2 pennies for each meal and bring them with you to worship. **Pennies for Hunger** helps alleviate hunger in the 19 counties of Salem Presbytery and throughout the world. Let's work together to show that even a penny can go a long way to help feed hungry people!

**STEPHEN MINISTRY MEETING** – All Stephen Ministers and those interested in Stephen Ministry are asked to meet in the sanctuary **immediately following worship on Sunday, February 25**. For more information please contact Andrew Taylor-Troutman at [andrew@citppc.org](mailto:andrew@citppc.org).

**LAY READER TRAINING** – Anyone interested in being a lay reader and helping in worship is asked to meet in the sanctuary at 9:00 a.m. on **Sunday, March 4**. Those who attended past training sessions are also invited to attend. For more information contact Andrew Taylor-Troutman at [andrew@citppc.org](mailto:andrew@citppc.org).

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** – if you would like to provide flowers for the sanctuary on Sundays, a sign-up sheet for the entire year is in the narthex. This is a wonderful way to honor or remember a loved one or a special celebration. If you have any questions, please contact the office manager at [nmorelli@citppc.org](mailto:nmorelli@citppc.org).

**HOLY SIMPLICITY - Tuesday Evenings February 20 - March 20, 5:30-7:00 p.m.**

Each Tuesday evening during Lent, Andrew and Joelle will lead an inter-generational program on spiritual disciplines you can incorporate into your life during this period of reflection. The evening will begin with opportunity for older youth and adults to work on a discipline with Andrew in the fellowship hall, while children ages 4 and up will join Joelle in the narthex for a child-friendly exploration of that spiritual discipline. At 6:30 p.m., we'll join back together in the fellowship hall for a light meal. Nursery care will be provided for children under the age of 4. Questions? Contact Andrew at [andrew@citppc.org](mailto:andrew@citppc.org) or Joelle at [jbrummittiyale@citppc.org](mailto:jbrummittiyale@citppc.org).

Please join us for the **World Day of Prayer - Church Women United** gathering in our area will be **Friday, March 2nd, 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph CME Church, 510 Rosemary St., Chapel Hill**. The worship theme for this year is "*All God's Creation is Very Good*", written by the women of Suriname. It will be presented by the women of University Presbyterian Church. Overflow parking is available across the street at the First Baptist Church. All are welcome.

**CREATIVE COMMONS** is a weekly fellowship forum for anyone with a creative practice (or wanting one!) to discuss the challenges and beauties of leaping into creation. We also wish to include a kind of communal studio time. It is our hope as well that this group can provide the scaffolding for more inclusion of the arts in our worship and fellowship. **We will meet every Thursday from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall**. Any and all will be welcomed. **More information is available in the weekly email or by contacting Sarah Graham, Karen Fisher or Elizabeth Melton.**

**FROM BUILDING AND GROUNDS** - Great Ridge Parkway is to be paved in 2018. The project should be completed this summer/fall. The information provided was from Lee Bowman (head of Briar Chapel). The project will be starting in several weeks and as such we will start to see activity along the road. The paving contractor will attempt to provide access to Chapel in the Pines (CITP) when the paving work is being performed on the stretch of road we use. During the week there may be some minor interruptions but Lee has assured us that weekends, particularly Sundays the church will be accessible. As we get further into the project CITP Building and Grounds Committee will be in close contact with Briar Chapel to minimize interruptions and to

maintain a good line of communication to keep the church well informed. Briar Chapel and Chapel in the Pines apologizes for any inconvenience that may occur during the project.

**BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL** – Please visit [www.citppc.org](http://www.citppc.org) for rehearsal times.

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**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES:**

- **The Exploring Together Class** – begins at **9:00 a.m. each Sunday** and gathers in the meeting room of the fellowship hall. Today this class began a study of Dr. William B. Lawrence's newly published book *A Methodist Requiem*. Although specifically oriented toward issues in Methodism, Bill reports the book is applicable to current issues troubling all mainline denominations. We welcome new members at any time. Books will be provided to new members. For further information, contact Brenda Moore at [bmoore123@nc.rr.com](mailto:bmoore123@nc.rr.com) or visit the church website at [www.citppc.org](http://www.citppc.org).
- **The Literature and Spirituality Group** meets every 3rd or 4th Sunday of the month to discuss spirituality with the help of good books and good fellowship. For March 18, we will read Marilynne Robinson's *Gilead*. The NY Times described this book as "lucid," and its words as having "spiritual force." Members share a small lunch with all who come. Please contact Todd Adams at [chapelhill5700@yahoo.com](mailto:chapelhill5700@yahoo.com) if you are interested in joining us at 12:30 at a member's home. Everyone is welcome!

**WOMEN'S STUDY** led by Minnie Sue Douglas this class meets **every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. for coffee and 10:00 a.m. for study.** The group will focus on a kerygma about Exodus. For questions, please contact Marcia Ladd at [marcialeeladd@gmail.com](mailto:marcialeeladd@gmail.com).

**Opportunities for Service**

**CHATHAM HABITAT** – If you want to help or have questions, please contact Bart Holtz at [log.home@mindspring.com](mailto:log.home@mindspring.com).

**TAKE AND READ BOOKS** The Take and Read Book Program needs you! Make a difference in children's lives! Having books in their homes improves academic success for children. The Take and Read Program provides new or gently used books to children in need. To volunteer or for more information contact Paul Harrell at 919-542-2743 or email [paulharrell5@gmail.com](mailto:paulharrell5@gmail.com).

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