



Chapel in the Pines
Presbyterian Church
Chatham County, North Carolina

New Member Sunday
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 19, 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 OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

by Meister Eckhart

What keeps us alive? What allows us to endure?

I think it is the hope of loving, or being loved.

I heard a fable once about the sun going on a journey to find its source, and how the moon wept without her lover's warm gaze.

We weep when light does not reach our hearts.

We wither like fields if someone close does not rain their kindness upon us.

BELL PEAL RINGING OF THE TRINITY

Handbell Choir

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.

PRELUDE

Meditation for Prayer

John Turner

CALL TO WORSHIP

Spirit divine, attend our prayers; and make this house your home.
Descend with all your gracious powers; comfort us, Holy Spirit.
Shape us, lead us, feed us now;
Descend with all your gracious powers; comfort us, Holy Spirit.
You are present every moment;
We are searching, meet us now!

*HYMN #5

God the Sculptor of the Mountains

JENNINGS-HOUSTON

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT

We are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus the cornerstone.

In Him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the LORD. We are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

We are a royal priesthood, elected as God's own to proclaim the mighty saving grace of the One who called us out of darkness into light. As Jesus preached:

You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. In the same way, let your light so shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

We know that we have light only insofar as we have love. And we have no love save what comes God.

Help us, please, to carry this candle against the wind. We confess how we have dimmed our bright shining, making fear our guide instead of love. We ask for God's mercy upon us:

(Time of 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.



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Assurance of Pardon

We thank You, Gracious God, for the water of Baptism. In baptism we are buried with Christ in His Death. By baptism we share in His resurrection. Through baptism we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

By the sealing of Your Holy Spirit, You have bound us to Your service. Renew in us, Your servants, the covenant You made with us. And send us forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service You have set before us.

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

Gloria a Dios/Glory to God

(Hymn #585)

THE GIFT OF GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO YOUNG DISCIPLES

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Those of you baptized into Christ Jesus, how were you baptized?

Into his death. We were buried with him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glorious power of God Almighty, we too might be raised to live a new life.

Addressing those being received into the membership of this church today, as you present yourselves before God and this congregation, we call upon you to profess your faith: Do you believe in God as your Creator and loving heavenly Father? Do you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord? And do you believe in the Holy Spirit as your Comforter and Sustainer?

Lord, make us one with all your children as we profess our faith:

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead. (Continued)**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Once again addressing those being received into membership, do you in this faith turn away from sin, evil, and selfishness in your thoughts, words, and actions? Do you intend to participate actively in Christ's church, serving God all the days of your life?

And to the parents, relying on the power of the Holy Spirit, do you promise to lead your children by prayer, instruction, and example until that time when they can by grace confirm their faith?

Now addressing the entire body of believers gathered here, do we receive and affirm these children of God as members of this congregation? **We do.**

And do we accept our calling to love and nurture them in Christ? **We do.**

Giving of the Watchwords

Blessing

HYMN

Down to the River to Pray

Alison Krauss

*As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way!*

*O sisters/brothers, let's go down,
Let's go down, come on down
O sisters/brothers, let's go down
Down in the river to pray.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Karen Meredith

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 3:13-17

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The Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Ephesians 5:15-20

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The Word of the Lord.

LP, p. 238

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Andrew Taylor-Troutman

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GIFTS

*HYMN #694

Great God of Every Blessing

AURELIA

OFFERING

We Lift Our Voices

(Hymn #710)

*DOXOLOGY

For the Life That You Have Given

(Hymn #717)

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known, with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own: here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

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.

THE SENDING TO SERVE

*HYMN #645

Sing Praise to God

MIT FREUDEN ZART

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE

We Will Go Out with Joy

(Hymn #539, Stanza 1)

We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God. (x2)

Alleluia! We will go out with joy. Alleluia! Alleluia!

We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God. (x2)

POSTLUDE

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

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WORSHIP NOTES

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by Susie and Ed Park to the glory of God and in honor of family and friends.

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.

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. 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 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. 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 or Joelle Brummitt-Yale, Director of Children's Ministry at jbrummittyale@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. Handicapped parking is available in front of the church with level access into the sanctuary.

Church information brochures, offering envelopes, 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 Sally Wehmüller for her help in the narthex.

Leading our worship today:

- Andrew Taylor-Troutman, Pastor
- Karen Meredith, Lay Reader
- Rob Passow, Pianist
- Katherine Brekke, Director of Handbell Choir
- Kent Norgren, Guitar
- Bob Warren, Clarinet

Mission Co-Worker: Karla Koll, Costa Rica

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Today we welcome new members to the Chapel in the Pines family! If you have not already met them please take a moment to introduce yourselves following worship.

Heather and David Jester live in Briar Chapel with their two boys **Charlie (9) & River (6)**. Heather, originally from Charlotte, loves writing, creating, dancing, going on adventures, finding treasures, and spending lots of time with family and friends. After having taught Creative Writing & English to mostly high schoolers, then taking time off to be with her boys, she's now pondering what's next for her as River heads off to kindergarten. David, having grown up in and around Chapel Hill, returned last year to his father's financial planning practice after 13 years of teaching High School and middle school English. He loves spending time outside with Heather and the boys. Otherwise you may find him running on trails, reading, or writing. Charlie and River will both be at Perry Harrison this year. The boys love reading, creating, and being outside with buddies as much as they can. The whole family is thrilled to have finally found their church home and are very much looking forward to sharing and growing in this authentic and nurturing community for years to come.

Dina Crosby and Tom Crosby. Dina is a North Carolina native from the West Jefferson area up in Ashe County. She's lived all of her life in North Carolina, except for a few years in San Jose CA. Dina is a graduate of UNC. Tom has lived in Rochester NY, Chicago and San Francisco and has called Chapel Hill home since 2002. Tom graduated from St. Bonaventure University. Both marketing and communications professionals, in their spare time Tom enjoys traveling, history, hiking, photography, music and pro-bono communications work and Dina enjoys hiking, camping, kayaking, cooking and animal rescue. They have been together 13 years and married for 9. They are aunt and uncle to 7 nieces and nephews and grand aunt and uncle to 3 grand nieces. They have two dogs and a cat. Their son Aidan is a sophomore at Carrboro High. He lives half the time with his mom in Southern Village and half the time with Tom and Dina.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EVENING BAPTISM SERVICE for Miles, Charlie and Porter Freuler and Charlie and River Jester **today, 4:30-5:00 p.m.** with a pot-luck dinner to follow at the Freuler Farmish, 322 Mt. Olive Church Road, Pittsboro. Everyone is invited!

TAKE AND EAT - Volunteers are needed to shop at the Durham Food Bank every **First Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.** If you are available to help, please contact Phyllis Greene at phgreene@icloud.com.

HABITAT WORK DAY – **Saturday, August 25 from 8:00-Noon** in Pittsboro. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Bart Holtz at log.home@mindspring.com.



On **Sunday, August 26** 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!

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS - during worship on Sunday, August 26. Going back to school (or starting school) is a major event in the lives of our kids and we'd like to mark it with a special blessing. If your child(ren) have backpacks, have them bring them to worship and we'll offer a liturgy blessing them (and the children carrying them) as they embark on a new year of learning.

HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSALS - Resumes Wednesday, August 29, meeting weekly at 6:00 p.m. (please note corrected time from weekly email announcement). For more information please visit our website at www.citppc.org or contact Director Katherine Brekke at katherine@montyandkatherine.com. All are welcome to join!

GAME TIME – FAMILY FUN, Sunday, September 2, 4:00 - 5:30 P.M. - A casual time for games, treats and fun for everyone. For more information contact Joelle Brummitt-Yale, Director of Children's Ministry at jbrummittyale@citppc.org.

PASTA WITH A PURPOSE - Tuesday, September 11, 5:30-8:00 p.m. at the Carolina Club, 150 Stadium Drive, Chapel Hill, NC 27514. Come experience casual dining at an amazing value! While you enjoy a delicious spaghetti dinner, you can be comforted to know you are contributing \$11 of the \$14 to Take and Eat Food Pantry of Chapel Hill. Adult dinner \$14 (\$11 goes to Take and Eat), Child dinner \$6 (\$5 goes to Take and Eat). **Reservations are required and must be made by September 10 at 919-962-1101.** Credit cards are required for non-members of The Carolina Club.



Strobilus

Saturday, September 15 - Souls Ajar: An Emily Dickinson Festival, 3:00 - 8:30 p.m. Please joins us for a special afternoon series of linked events (music, poetry, visual art, food) that explore and celebrate the poetry of Emily Dickinson. The schedule comprises events which may be attended separately or in any combination; all events will take place in the sanctuary unless otherwise noted. See weekly e-news for more information and schedule of planned events.

Adult Study of Revelation and potluck dinner - this evening adult class begins Thursday, September 20, dinner 6:15-7:00, study from 7-8 p.m. Led by Mickey dePrater and Andrew Taylor Troutman, this class will study Dr. Blount's book "Can I Get a Witness" in preparation for his visit on October 28. Potluck supper will be served at 6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and then book study from 7-8 p.m. in the meeting room. For more information to or to obtain a copy of the book, contact Andrew at andrew@citppc.org.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

TAKE AND EAT FOOD PANTRY - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to shop at the Durham Food Bank every First Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. If you are available to help, please contact Phyllis Greene at p Greene@icloud.com.

CHATHAM HABITAT – Our next Habitat Build work days in Pittsboro are Saturday, August 25, and Saturday, September 29. If you want to help or have questions, please contact Bart Holtz at 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 paulharrell15@gmail.com.