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YOUR PASTOR'S MUSING

A buddy of mine is in a profession in which he daily encounters what he terms "the firehose of human misery." At the same time, he enjoys his lovely family, including the cutest kid who tugs on his leg while he and I are talking.

The firehose of human misery is always flowing. On any given Sunday, a number of worshippers will come to church carrying their grief like a low-slung satchel over their shoulders. God's love is entangled with such weighty burdens. As sung in the old hymn, "sorrow and love flow mingled down." It may be that our paying attention to the tug, whether at our legs or our hearts, alerts us to the presence of something heavenly in the earth.

This past Sunday, there were six minutes before the start of the worship service, and I had nine things to do, half of which I attempted to accomplish at once. I rushed through the narthex and, by the double doors to the sanctuary, heard a small voice. I mumbled a reply, intending to continue forward.

Then the same small voice filled my ears: "I said, 'Good morning!'"

I whirled around and caught the look of a young disciple, grinning at me.

"Good! Morning!" I laughed, suddenly all exclamation points.

In hope, Andrew

To read Andrew's article Go Ask Dad: Dragonfly (wral.com) CLICK HERE!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

- May 5, 11am: We will have a congregational meeting to elect new deacons and elders at the 11am worship service.
- May 12, 11am: We will have the ordination/installation of the new deacons and elders at the 11am worship service.

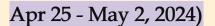
We hope you will plan to be at both of these meetings.

We **WORSHIP** God with gratitude for the grace given to all people through Jesus Christ.

We WELCOME all people into our community of of faith.

We WITNESS the love of Christ through our gifts of time, talents, and resources as we grow together in our faith.





Thursday, April 25

- 9am Men's Fellowship, Belted Goat, Fearrington Village
- 2pm Mountain Dulcimer Group Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall
- 6pm Thirst Quenchers, Marcia and Lee's Home and on Zoom

Friday, April 26 Church Office Closed

Saturday, April 27

Church Office Closed

- 10am Private Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 2pm The School of Athens Class, • Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 28

- Fourth Sunday of Easter 9am Zoom Exploring Together Class
 - 9:15am Worship Service, Outdoors (weather permitting, otherwise, in our sanctuary)
 - 10:10am Year End Financials and POMS Final Report, Fellowship Hall
 - 11am Worship Service, Indoors & Streaming
 - 12noon Online Fellowship, Zoom
 - 12:15pm Staff Meeting, The Gathering Room
 - 2pm Prayer Meeting for Racial Justice at Mount Zion



NEW! To read the Session Digest from the April 22, 2024 Called Session Meeting, CLICK HERE.



NEW! To read Susie Smith's latest article titled "Naked Food", CLICK HERE.



Next Monday, April 29th **HELPERS NEEDED!**

NEW! Chatham Chuckwagon is in need of volunteers Monday, April 29 at St. Bartholomew's Church at 204 West Salisbury Street in downtown Pittsboro. Please come out and volunteer to help combat hunger

Monday, April 29

Office Hours 9am-noon

- 1pm Fearrington Hour at the Belted Goat
- 5:30pm Presbyterian String Band

Tuesday, April 30

- Office Hours 9am-noon
 - Fellowship, • 10am Women's Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 1

- Office Hours 9am-noon
 - 10am Meeting with Farm at Penny Lane, Zoom
 - 11am Contemplative Prayer, Zoom

 - 2pm Worship at Galloway Ridge 6pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
 - 7:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, May 2

Office Hours 9am-noon

- 1-4pm Wild Church, Online
- 7pm Welcome & Membership • Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- 7:30pm Fearrington Village Singers, Benefit Concert in the Sanctuary

Regular Church Office Hours Teresa's Hours: Mon-Thu 9-12 Andrew's Hours: by appointment

Our master calendar can be found on our website as well. If you see something on this calendar that should be corrected, please let Teresa know so she can edit the church's master calendar.



NEW!



locally in Chatham County.

For more information, contact <u>Mike</u> or Susie by clicking on their name and it will take you to their email!



Thank you so much for the recognition and gift card! It was a lovely, uplifting day, and it was nice to be recognized. I feel blessed to work with such a warm and caring group of people. Janet



UPDATED! This Sunday, 4/28, some of our middle and high school youth group members will be meeting with other youth at New Hope Camp which means we will not have our regular

Sunday, April 28 at 10:10am "between services", please come to the Fellowship Hall as we present the Narrative Budget for 2023 (Our Story, viewed through our Mission) and the POMS Final Report. All are invited. Please click on the green button below to read the Treasurer's Report for March. If you are a member and wish to review the financial reports, please contact Tim, our treasurer by CLICKING HERE or by phone 910-722-6594.

CLICK HERE TO READ THE MARCH 2024 TREASURER'S REPORT

NEW! This Sunday!



ELIMINATING RACISM. CONNECTING HEARTS.

Sunday, April 28th @ 2:00 PM

Program includes an arts-based devotional



A light lunch will be served

Hosted by: Mt. Zion Church - 530 Lystra Rd, Chapel Hill, NC, 27517 For details call: Pastor Larry Neal (919) 412-3001



youth group meetings here at CITP this Sunday.

We look forward to creating more special memories with our youth! Contact: Joelle Brummitt-Yale



Chatham InFocus Photography Exhibit

Please stop by the Fellowship Hall and enjoy the group's newest work. The exhibit will be on display throughout the month of May.



Do you care about the environment and connect your experience of faith to nature? If so, "Wild Church" is for you! May 2 from 1 to 4 pm

This is NOT your "typical" online meeting! Read this message from the director below, then reach out to Andrew if you are interested in participating!

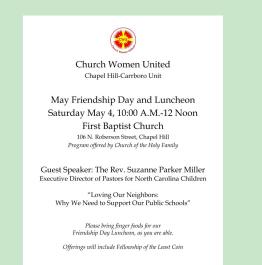
Hello Wild Hearts!

I am looking forward to sharing about Wild Church and eco-spirituality together on May 2, and hearing about your interest or calling. What has the earth and spirit been calling forth in you? This will be a participatory miniretreat rather than a webinar where I am the only one speaking. While I will share for part of the time (and may have some slides), it will also be conversational and include you.

Here are a few things to know beforehand:

- Please bring a small stone with you from your watershed
- Please be situated in a space where you can be uninterrupted and fully present (if at all possible!)
- We will be leaving our screens for 45 minutes to participate in a 'wandering' where we will all go outside wherever we are to be led by nature to listen and respond to the sacred conversations going on around us all the time.
- There will be different movements of our time together:

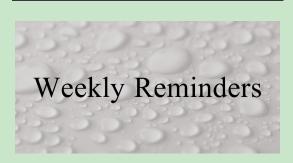
A reception will be held on Saturday, May 4 from 1-3pm. Please come and invite your friends and neighbors!



CHURCH WOMEN UNITED MEETING

May 4, Church Women United will be meeting at First Baptist Church. The speaker will be The Rev'd Suzanne Parker Miller, the founder and executive director of Pastors of NC Children, an organization made up of ministers, educators, parents and others who believe strongly in the importance of public school education The mission of the organization is Mobilizing Faith Communities to advocate for Public Education. Please feel free to click on the pink button below and print out the flyer and pass it out to friends you might want to attend with you.

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Learn about the Wild Church Network and what we mean by 'wild church.' Learn some ecospiritual practices. Time for a wandering (core to every wild church). And time for sharing and questions.

Bring your full self, your questions, your open seeking hearts.

Valerie Luna Serrels, Director Wild Church Network



This special concert is a benefit concert providing scholarships to local high school students wishing to pursue further studies in music. There will be some CITP folks singing in the concert! WORD ON THE STREET SAYS: They are close to a sell-out so you might want to act quickly if you intend to see this!





ONLINE WORSHIPPERS!

If you're worshipping with us virtually, we would love to connect with you and help you connect with others after the service. Please join this Zoom meeting by clicking on the purple button below immediately following the 11am worship service for a time of fellowship and conversation.

CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE ONLINE ZOOM AFTER 11AM WORSHIP



WEEKLY CHOIR REHEARSALS! Handbell Choir Wednesdays at 6pm (contact: <u>Katherine Brekke</u>) Adult Choir Wednesdays at 7:30pm (contact: <u>Jeremy Nabors</u>)



Worship Updates



UPDATED WORSHIP INFORMATION

We will have childcare at this service. PLEASE NOTE BEGINNING SUNDAY MAY 19 WORSHIP WILL BE ONE COMBINED SERVICE INDOORS AT 10:30AM THROUGH SUNDAY, AUGUST 11.



NEW! If you would like to read a transcript of Andrew's most recent sermon from Sunday, click on the purple button below.



Mondays at 1pm, join us at the Belted Goat, Fearrington Village for an hour of fun and fellowship. You do not have to live in Fearrington Village to join us. All are welcome!

*Please note: This Monday will be the FINAL Monday Fearrington Hour before going on hiatus during Andrew's sabbatical.



The Women's Study Group gets together every week in the Fellowship Hall's conference room on Tuesdays at 10am. They have guest speakers, discuss books, poetry and share in wonderful fellowship together.

All women are welcome! Contact: <u>Marcia Ladd</u>



(Look for this to be updated weekly before and after his sabbatical. *We will not be publishing the sermons of our supply preachers.*)

> CLICK HERE TO READ A TRANSCRIPT OF ANDREW'S LATEST SERMON

Until next week... GRACE & PEACE

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