

Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church  
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# *Chapel in the Pines*



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## Pastor's Musing

In late January 2023, I spent two weeks in St. Petersburg, Florida, attending class with Ross Gay for my doctorate. (I am a lucky guy.) We convened at Eckerd College, a small liberal arts school right on the Boca Ciega Bay. Eckerd was

formerly Florida Presbyterian College, and I believe that Deborah, who's joining our church this Sunday, is an alumna.

The campus includes a white-sand beach, owns its own marina, and students play beach volleyball between classes. They do their homework with their toes in the surf.

In between my classes, I'd wander to the baseball field where the Tritons were getting ready for their season. The weather was already in the high 70s. I played a little ball in college, and I recognized the natural camaraderie between the players as they stretched and played catch.

These memories have returned as Hurricane Milton bears down on that very same place. I hope all the students, faculty, and staff have evacuated. Who knows what the campus will be like upon their return? What will they find destroyed or washed away? I pray there will be no loss of life.

I remember those baseball players under the blue sky in the aptly named Sunshine State—how they ran seemingly as carefree as the breeze and how their laughter made melody with the slap of baseballs into their gloves.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. And hope, like baseball, springs eternal.

In Hope,  
Andrew

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**Poem for the Heart**  
*by Andrew Taylor-Troutman*

**Take a deep breath.**

**The world is scary enough  
without second guessing yourself.**

**You will do right by your love and  
whatever you decide  
will be right because**

**you will be right there  
beside your love,  
no matter what.**

**Geese slide into flying formation  
without a single formal lesson,**

**like breath, a gift.**

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**REMINDER: THIS Sunday, October 13  
is our Combined Worship Indoor  
Service at the new time of 10am.**



**Can You  
Help?**



## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IMMEDIATELY!!!**

### **Friendly and free training provided!**

**URGENT NEED!** Our online worship is very important to many in our congregation who are unable to attend worship in person. They rely on this streaming - sometimes far more than one might realize.

CITP has recently moved to using volunteers to stream our 11am Sunday morning worship services and our combined 10am Sunday morning services on the second Sunday of each month.

We need a group of six to eight people who can take turns providing this service. You don't have to be a technology whiz (or anything NEAR being a technology whiz) to do this. We hope to have enough volunteers to have two people per Sunday to help each other out.

This is a wonderful way to learn a new skill, impress your friends AND help provide worship opportunities for those who can not be at church in person.

*Please prayerfully consider this need! For more information, contact Tom Crosby, Nancy Donny, the church office, or any member of the Communications Committee. Folks who can't get to worship in person on Sunday will be very thankful for your help!*

# HOPE AFTER HURRICANE HELENE

Sponsored by CITP High School Youth Group

KIND: \$10

JOY: \$25

PEACE: \$50

LOVE \$75

HOPE: \$100

Any Other Amount:

## GOAL: \$2,500

Ways To Pay:

1) Checks:

Make out to CITP

Memo Line: "Youth Group PDA Fundraiser"

2) Online Donations:

Go to: [www.citppc.org](http://www.citppc.org)

Click "Give" and select "Disaster Relief"

3) Cash:

You can give cash at our Youth Group table after worship services on 10/13 and 10/20..

PDA=Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

## REASONS TO GIVE:

Rebuilding will take years!

Funds - Going straight to communities

PDA is active in ALL states affected by hurricanes

***NEW!***

Contact: Joelle Brummitt-Yale

[CLICK HERE TO DONATE DIRECTLY ONLINE](#)



## COME TO OUR FALL FEST POTLUCK

10am - Combined Worship Service (new time!)

11am - FALL POTLUCK

Get out your favorite fall recipes - soups, salads, breads, desserts!

Enjoy some fun fall-themed activities, including:

Soup Cook-Off

Coloring for the kids

Fall backdrop for fun fall photos and more!

Thank you to those of you who have signed up to bring food and/or help with the set up/clean up. If you are attending and have not signed up yet, PLEASE do so by clicking on the green button below. We very much need more food items, and more help to make this a success!

What a fun and festive way to celebrate the fabulous season of fall with your church family.

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP FOR THE](#)

We **WELCOME** all people into our community of of faith.

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

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



**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Oct 10 - 17, 2024)**

Friday, October 11  
Church Office Closed

Saturday, October 12  
Church Office Closed

- 11am-5pm Church Retreat, New Hope Camp and Retreat Center

Sunday, October 13  
21st Sunday after Pentecost  
New Member Sunday  
Combined Worship Sunday  
Pennies for Hunger Sunday

- 8:45am Exploring Together Class, The Gathering Room and on Zoom
- 9am Beginner Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall
- **NEW TIME!** 10am COMBINED Worship Service, Indoors & Streaming
- 11am Zoom with Online Worshippers
- 11am Fall Fest in the Fellowship Hall
- 3pm Parents Group Meeting with Ginny, The Gathering Room
- 3pm 3rd-8th Graders' Youth Group, Fellowship Hall
- 5pm 9th-12th Graders' Youth Group Meeting, Fellowship Hall

**Session Notes**

**NEW!** To read the Session Digest from the September 23, 2024 Called Session Meeting, [CLICK HERE.](#)

**You are Invited**

*Poetry Open Mic*

Five Minute Reading Limit

17 October

7-8pm



contact:  
Mary Barnard

Holmes Reading Room,  
chatham community Library

We'd love for you to share your gift of poetry or enjoy listening to others reading poetry at Open Mic Night October 17 7-8pm at the Chatham Community Library.

*Contact Mary Barnard with any questions!*

**Mission News, Events & Volunteer Opportunities**



**Monday, October 14**

**Office Hours 9am-noon**

- 9am-noon Winter Weather Drive Collection Center Open, Fellowship Hall's Conference Room
- 1pm Fearington Village Hour with Andrew, Belted Goat
- 6pm Faith Formation Committee Meeting, Zoom
- 7pm Stephen Ministry Meeting, Zoom
- 7pm Cub Scouts Meet

**Tuesday, October 15**

**Office Hours 9am-noon**

- 10am Women's Study, Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, October 16**

**Office Hours 9am-noon**

- 4:30pm Presbyterian String Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6pm Handbell Choir Rehearsals
- 7pm Bible Study with Andrew, Fellowship Hall
- 7:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, October 17**

**OFFICE IS CLOSED TODAY**

- 9am-noon, Drop Off for Winter Clothing Drive, Fellowship Hall
- 10am Crafty Crafters, Fellowship Hall
- 10:30am Andrew's Poetry Group at Galloway Ridge
- 5:30pm Cub Scouts, Fellowship Hall

**Church Office Hours**

**Teresa's Hours THIS WEEK: Mon-Wed**

**9am-1pm**

**Andrew: 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 Office Hours

Effective Beginning October 20

**Monday 9am - 1pm**

**Tuesday 9am - 1pm**

**Thursday 9am - 1pm**

**If in doubt, call  
or email first.**

**NEW!** Please take note that NEXT Thursday, October 17, the church office

**NEW!** To read Susie Smith's latest article titled "God at the Center", [CLICK HERE.](#)

**CLICK HERE TO LEARN  
MORE ABOUT THE PDA  
HELPING PEOPLE  
REBUILD**

## Help Needed



**Vacuum  
Cleaner  
needed for  
our Afghan  
family.**

**New or used in  
good condition.**

**NEW!** Our church is coming alongside the Darwish family from Afghanistan, Nesar and Susan and their two young children. They are in need of a vacuum cleaner or carpet cleaner -- new or (used in good working order). Could you help?

*Contact Susie Smith or Linda Mann.*

is closed for the day.

Beginning the week of October 20, we will still offer 12 hours of open office time, they will be as follows:

Mon 9-1pm

Tuesday 9-1pm

Thursday 9-1pm

(Monday and the "T" days  
we are open 9am to 1pm!)

Contact: Teresa

## This Week



### Pastor on Call This Week:

Andrew Taylor-Troutman  
andrew@citppc.org  
540-239-7060



**CITP**  
*All Church Retreat*

**OCT 12 | 11AM - 5PM**

NEW HOPE CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER  
(UNDER 30 MIN DRIVE FROM CHURCH)

Register here by Oct. 1st:



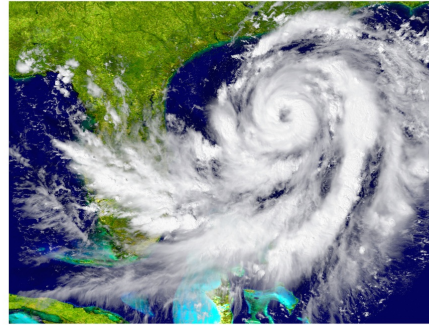
LUNCH  
OUTDOOR WORSHIP  
FELLOWSHIP AND PLAY  
WORKSHOPS (ART, HIKING, LABYRINTH, WRITING)  
CAMPFIRE AND S'MORES

ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN  
AND CHILDCARE PROVIDED

**UPDATED!** We look forward to spending a day in love, food, and fellowship with those of you who are able to attend the retreat this Saturday. Those of you who are unable to attend,

## HURRICANE RELIEF

A Letter from Shelley Nielsen, daughter of Mary Donna Pond, calling for help for those in western North Carolina after Helene's destruction.



### UPDATED!

Dear Chapel in the Pines Friends,

I made my first trip back to Asheville and likely will do so again this week. I was able to drop off the majority of the donations (which were greatly appreciated everywhere) with a family who lost their entire house in Black Mountain (near Montreat) and with the YMCA who is doing incredible rescue/relief efforts throughout the region.

I will take any items you wish to donate, but the most important items needed at this point are:

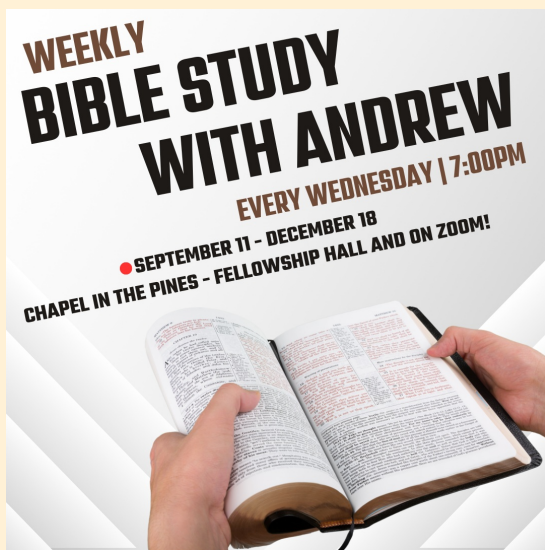
- PPE equipment (the mud left over from the storm is incredibly toxic and has invaded many homes and businesses.) masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, etc. Many of the things we used during COVID-19
- Water is still in high demand, ideally in jugs/larger containers
- Cold weather items - the temperatures are expected to drop below 40° overnight beginning this week. Warm blankets, sleeping bags, coats, gloves and anything to help people stay warm, especially those still without power.
- Financial donations are THE most important thing needed. Because the needs are ever-changing and the organizations receiving financial contributions can maneuver better as things pivot. Click on the green button

we will be missing and thinking of you.

*This retreat is funded by the Lilly Grant that Andrew received for his sabbatical.*



**NEW!** This Sunday is our monthly collection for Pennies for Hunger. Please bring your pennies and other coins, paper money, checks, or consider giving online to help curb hunger.



Join us in the Fellowship Hall Wednesdays through December 18 as Andrew leads a Bible Study at 7pm. There is also an option to Zoom. If you wish to join by Zoom, click on the red button below around 6:59pm!

**CLICK HERE WEDNESDAY EVENINGS TO ZOOM THE BIBLE STUDY CLASS AT 6:59pm**

below if you'd like to donate directly to the YMCA of WNC who is working to distribute funds to those in the area with need.

I am happy to take all donations and distribute them with local organizations that I personally know are doing amazing work.

With gratitude - Shelley Nielsen (Mary Donna Pond's daughter)

*Please contact Mary Donna Pond with any questions or about donating items for Shelley to take to the Asheville area. Financial donations for this particular drive should be given directly to Mary Donna and not through CITP.*

**CLICK HERE TO DONATE DIRECTLY TO THE YMCA of WNC**



## Save the Date

## WELCOME WORKSHOP

October 20 10am in  
the Fellowship Hall



ALL ARE INVITED

**UPDATED!** Join us as we explore the ministry of welcome at Chapel in the Pines. Share your experiences of welcome, help us develop a list of best practices. Facilitated by Ann Turnbull, with help from Joelle Brummitt-Yale, Karen Fisher, Barbara Strange, Ginny Taylor-Troutman. Coffee, tea, and snacks will be provided. All are invited; whether you are already serving or would like to serve in the welcome ministry at Chapel in the Pines.

## CHURCH OUTDOOR WORKDAY! OCTOBER 26

Help keep our  
grounds and  
buildings  
beautiful!

ALL AGES  
WELCOME!

Rain Date  
11/2

**UPDATED!** The biannual church workday is coming up on October 26 from 9-12. This time, we will be focused

## CITPPC YOUTH GROUPS



### YOUTH GROUPS:

6th-8th graders in confirmation class will meet the first and third Sunday from 3:00-4:30pm.

3rd-8th graders are invited to youth group on the second and fourth Sundays from 3:00-4:30pm.

High school youth meet every Sunday from 5:00-6:30pm.

Contact: Joelle Brummitt-Yale, Director of Children's and Youth Ministries, [jbrummitt@citppc.org](mailto:jbrummitt@citppc.org)

## CHAPEL IN THE PINES Parents Group

2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS

3-4:30PM  
GATHERING ROOM

CONNECTION | STUDY | REFLECTION

CHILDCARE PROVIDED  
PLEASE CONTACT GINNY FOR MORE INFO:  
[GINNY@CITPPC.ORG](mailto:GINNY@CITPPC.ORG)

**PARENTS' MEETING:** We have a new small group for parents! Every second and fourth Sunday during the time when our 3rd through 8th graders meet for youth group (3-4:30pm), join us for a time of connection, study, and reflection together in the Gathering Room. Childcare will be provided for children too young for youth group

on planting in the Remembrance Garden. Please bring light gardening tools if you have them. Everyone is welcome!

Contact: Bruce Raymond or Karen Atkins

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**NEW!**



**Election Eve Ecumenical Prayer Vigil**  
**Monday November 4, 7pm**  
**Chapel in the Pines**  
**ALL ARE WELCOME**

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## Sermon Transcripts

**UPDATED!** Each week we intend to update Andrew's sermon transcripts here for those who wish to have a PDF to read! Clicking on the red button below will take you directly to the sermon transcript from October 6.

**CLICK HERE TO READ  
ANDREW'S SERMON  
TRANSCRIPT FROM 10/06**

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## Watch the Livestream

(under 3rd grade). Please let Ginny know if you are planning to bring your children so that we will be well prepared. We'll make plans for the future of our group together.

Contact: Ginny Taylor-Troutman

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## Weekly Reminders



Winter Weather Collection Center at CITP is now open on Mondays and Thursdays 9am-12noon in the Conference Room of the Fellowship Hall!

We can only accept clean, gently used (adult & children's items):

- Coats (zippers working, all buttons on them)
- INSULATED jackets **but no windbreakers, athletic or light rain parkas**
- Sweatshirts/hoodies
- Flannel/Thermal shirts
- Hats/Gloves
- Warm Scarves, **but no fashion scarves**
- New Socks, **thermal/wool ONLY**
- Heavy Sweaters
- Blankets/Sleeping Bags

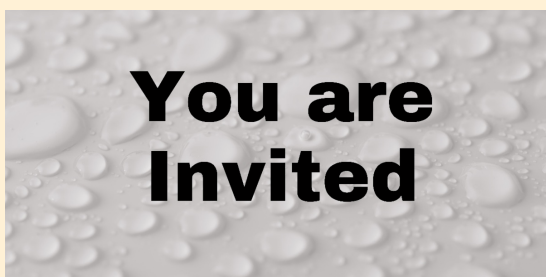
Direct questions and sign up to volunteer through Mark Herboth, [mlherboth@gmail.com](mailto:mlherboth@gmail.com) 704-617-9321.

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We sincerely apologize that we did not get last week's worship on livestream. If you missed the previous Sunday's service and wish to watch it, you can be clicking on the purple button below.

If you wish to subscribe to our channel, click on the subscribe button once you pull up our page. By subscribing, you'll get a notification every time we update our video posts!

**CLICK HERE TO WATCH  
THE PREVIOUS SUNDAY'S  
LIVESTREAMED 11AM  
WORSHIP SERVICE**



**PRESTO PIANO RECITAL, THIS Sunday October 13 in our sanctuary at 2pm! Do you love classical music? If so, please consider attending the Presto Piano Recital. Their mission is to bring serious pianists together to share classical piano music through performance. This recital is FREE and open to the public.**



**Fearrington Hour  
is back at the  
Belted Goat -  
Mondays, 1pm!  
All are welcome!**

**Come on over to the Belted Goat on Mondays at 1pm for fellowship with Andrew!**

### **Men's Fellowship**

**We have resumed our Men's Fellowship gatherings! The second Thursday of the month we meet 9am in the Fellowship Hall The fourth Thursday of the month we meet 9am at the Belted Goat.**

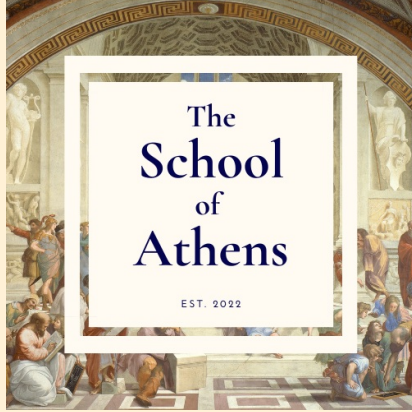


### **FELLOWSHIP ZOOM WITH US!!!**



### **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 10am**



You are invited to another FREE School of Athens event at CITP on **Saturday, November 2 at 2pm** in our Fellowship Hall.

Michael Vazquez, Ph.D, Teaching Assistant Professor, Philosophy Department and Director of Outreach, Parr Center for Ethics, UNC-Chapel Hill, will present a lecture entitled:

### *Ancient Wisdom, Modern Dilemmas*

Professor Vazquez says:

"Join us for *Ancient Wisdom, Modern Dilemmas*, where the timeless ideas of philosophers like Socrates and the Stoics meet today's ethical challenges. Can ancient ideas about happiness help us navigate modern anxieties and the pressures of success? Can lying be justified for the greater good? What do we owe to other people, and distant strangers? This session will offer accessible, thought-provoking reflections on questions that continue to shape our lives—*no philosophy background required. All you need is curiosity and a desire to think deeply about the moral puzzles that we face today.*"

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER AND LEARN MORE INFORMATION**

worship service for a time of fellowship and conversation.

**CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE ONLINE ZOOM AFTER 10AM WORSHIP**



**Adult Vocal & Bells!**



### WEEKLY CHOIR REHEARSALS!

**Handbells:** Handbells: This fall we will have two handbell choirs. Our normal choir meets Wednesdays at 6pm in the Sanctuary. We will also have a new group for ages 6th grade through adults that will meet on Sundays at 9am in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great group for those with less experience.

Contact: [Katherine Brekke](#)

**Adult Choir:** Adult Choir rehearses weekly beginning in the sanctuary at 7:30pm on Wednesdays. If you're interested in joining us, contact Jeremy!

Contact: [Jeremy Nabors](#)



# Realm Updates

## FINAL POST ON THIS:

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT REALM AND CONTACTING OTHER CITP MEMBERS:** This is a reminder, if members need access to the basic contact information for our adult parishioners, they should be able to access their Realm account, where it is available.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The following information about each church member will be available to other church members who have received, upon request, access to Realm:

- Name
- Address
- Primary phone number
- Primary Email address

**Information about any person under the age of 18 WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE.**

If you do not wish to allow other CITP church members to have access to your basic contact information, or have any questions, please contact *Teresa Balatico* (Office Mgr.) at [admin@citppc.org](mailto:admin@citppc.org) or *Paul Bolig* at [pbolig1949@gmail.com](mailto:pbolig1949@gmail.com) **prior to October 15.**

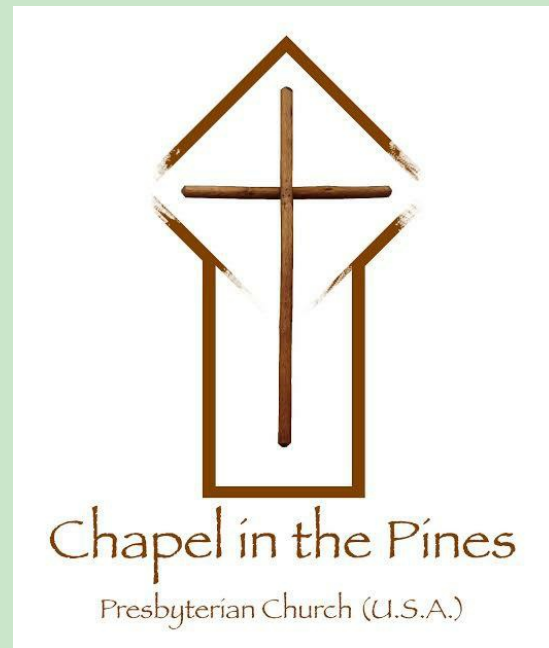
If you are a member who does not have a Realm account, but would like one, you can let Teresa know and she'll send you an invitation to join. If you need assistance with navigating Realm, Teresa or Ginny ([ginny@citppc.org](mailto:ginny@citppc.org)) are both happy to assist! Printed copies of directories are also available to our members upon request.

**CLICK HERE TO GET DIRECTLY TO REALM**

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

All women are welcome!

Contact: *Marcia Ladd*



**Until next week...  
GRACE & PEACE**



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