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Chapel in the Pines



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Pastor's Musing

Just the other day, the sun was "the best brilliant sandwich ever," as my friend Brian Doyle once wrote. I walked my house wolf toward a young mother pushing her stroller down the sidewalk, and just before we crossed paths, she pulled back the shade cover, revealing a blond-haired toddler. The boy immediately waved his tiny hand affixed to his chubby arm.

"He waved!" The mother beamed.

"He did!" I replied with equal delight. The house wolf wagged her tail.

The two of them continued in the opposite direction, while I went off with my walking buddy, and the day rolled on with all its complications and worries.

But to quote another poet, Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, that little exchange was "a small proof of pleasure and testament to tenderness." If Doyle was right about the sun's brilliance, these moments are akin to breaking off a generous portion of your lunch to give to someone and moaning, "Oh my god, you have got to try *this!*"

In Hope, Andrew

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN BEGINS THIS SUNDAY!

The stewardship campaign funding next year's operating budget will begin this Sunday. Your stewardship letter and pledge card were mailed this past Tuesday. This is the time of the year to reflect on all the gifts our Lord provided during the year and decide how best to prayerfully respond by funding the many ministries of Chapel in the Pines in our communities. The campaign ends on November 10, Dedication Sunday, with a combined service at 10:00am followed by a potluck celebration.

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 <u>Tom Crosby</u>, <u>Nancy Donny</u>, the <u>church office</u>, 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!



NEW!

While reports of power being restored and roads being repaired are emerging from areas affected by Hurricane Helene, there is still a lot of recovery work to be done in Western North Carolina and beyond.

The Chapel in the Pines High School Youth Group invites you to support our fellow children of God by giving a gift of Hope after Hurricane Helene!

Thank you to those of you who have already donated. Due to the wonderful generosity of our congregation and their contacts outside of our church, our youth group's **goal** for Hurricane Relief Donations has doubled!

Donations can be made:

- Online (click on the green button below, select Disaster Relief from the pulldown menu)
- By check made out to CITP (Memo line: PDA Youth Fundraiser)
- By cash at the youth group fundraiser table in the narthex after worship services THIS Sunday, 10/20.

Contact: Joelle Brummitt-Yale

CLICK HERE TO DONATE DIRECTLY ONLINE







Sarah Graham, Artist Come See Her Works of Art

CITP member, Sarah Graham, is a respected and talented artist. She has generously shared some of her pieces of work by hanging them in our Fellowship Hall to beautify the space even more, for a brief time. If you have not yet had a chance to see them, please do before they leave.

In Sarah's words, "Only retrospectively do i understand what i paint and why i am a painter. I have had more than my fair share of experiencing our world's beauty – from growing up where the sea meets the sky, to park rangering in canyons and ancient forests, to living by a mighty river. I believe we take in natural beauty and goodness as we do food; it sustains us, it becomes us. And my paintings? They are thank you notes, love letters back to our generous, breathtaking, mysterious world.

As a member of this church, it is a great happiness and honor to share with you

these paintings. To me, visual art is akin to music in how it brings a different perspective to worship, and to celebrating our world and community together."

Thank you, Sarah, for sharing such beauty with us!

Did you Miss the Church Retreat? If so, we hope you will enjoy seeing a few of the photos shared with us from the day.



Photo by Mark Herboth



Photo by Deb Rogers



Photo by Andrew Taylor-Troutman

We thank our Lord for the beautiful day that was provided for our church retreat! Thank you to Ginny Taylor-Troutman, and all the many others who had a hand in making this retreat fun, educational, full of nature, healthy, and spiritual!!

(And did we mention the s'mores!?)

Did You Miss the Fall Fest?
If so, we hope you will enjoy seeing a couple of the photos that were shared with us from the Fest.



Photo by Deb Rogers



Congratulations to Cheryl Krier, CITP's BLUE RIBBON WINNER of the tastiest soup contest for her delicious Potato Leek Soup! (She wears the blue ribbon well!) Photo by Andrew Taylor-Troutman

A fun time was had by all who attended! Thank you to the Fellowship Team, and all the fabulous volunteers and chefs who made this event successful!

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.



To read the Session Digest from the September 23, 2024 Called Session Meeting, <u>CLICK HERE.</u>



Oct 17 - 24, 2024)

Thursday, October 17 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

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

Friday, October 18 Church Office Closed

Saturday, October 19 Church Office Closed

• 8:30am Women's Voices Choral Retreat, Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall

Sunday, October 20 STEWARDSHIP KICK-OFF! 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

- 9am Exploring Together Class, on Zoom
- 9am Beginner Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall
- 9:15am Worship Service, Outdoors (weather permitting, otherwise indoors)
- 10am Welcome Workshop, Fellowship Hall
- 11am Worship Service, Indoors & Streaming
- 3pm 6th-8th Graders' Confirmation Class, Fellowship Hall
- 5pm 9th-12th Graders' Youth Group Meeting, Fellowship Hall

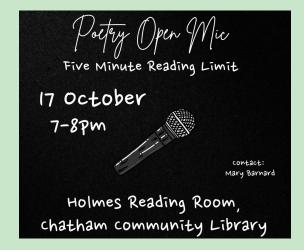
Monday, October 21 Office Hours 9am-1pm

- 9am-noon Winter Weather Drive Collection Center Open, Fellowship Hall's Conference Room
- 1pm Fearrington Village Hour with Andrew, Belted Goat
- 1:30pm Finance & Administration Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, October 22 Office Hours 9am-1pm

- 10am Women's Study, Fellowship Hall
- 11:30am InFocus Photography Group, Fellowship Hall

You are Invited



TONIGHT! 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

Contact <u>Mary Barnard</u> with any questions!

Mission News, Events & Volunteer Opportunities

To read Susie Smith's latest article titled "God at the Center", <u>CLICK HERE.</u>

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PDA HELPING PEOPLE REBUILD

Wednesday, October 23 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

- 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 24 Office Hours 9am-1pm

- 9am-noon, Drop Off for Winter Clothing Drive at CITP
- 9am Men's Fellowship, Belted Goat
- 2pm Mountain Dulcimers, Fellowship Hall
- 6pm Thirst Quenchers

Church Office Hours Mon, Tues, Thurs: 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.



Please take note that today, October 17, the church office is closed for the day.

Beginning the week of October 20, we will still offer 12 hours of open office hours, 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

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.



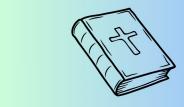
Dear Chapel in the Pines Friends,

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:

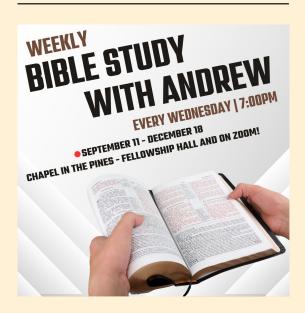
- PPE equipment (the mud left over from the storm is incredibly toxic and has invaded many homes and businesses.) masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, etc. Many of the things we used during COVID-19
- Water is still in high demand, ideally in jugs/larger containers
- Cold weather items the temperatures are 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 everchanging and the organizations receiving financial contributions can maneuver better as things pivot. Click on the green button below if you'd like to donate





Pastor on Call This Week:

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



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 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





CHILDCARE UPDATE!!!

WE NOW PROVIDE CHILDCARE AT THE 9:15AM AND 11AM SERVICES ON SUNDAYS, AS WELL AS OUR COMBINED 10AM SERVICE ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH!

CONTACT: JOELLE BRUMMITT-YALE

Youth Events/News



Join us as this Sunday at 10am 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 Brummit-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.





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



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, jbrummittyale@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

Garden. Please bring light gardening tools if you have them. Everyone is welcome!

Contact: <u>Bruce Raymond</u> or <u>Karen</u> Atkins



November 4, 7pm Chapel in the Pines

Amidst anxiety, uncertainty, and division, join friends from The Local Church, Chatham Community Church, Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church, and others for an intentional time of unity, reflection, worship, and prayer. In coming together, our hope for this non-partisan gathering is to create space to pray for our country, our community, and one another, encounter hope in beloved community, and remember that our identity is not found in any particular candidate or political party but finds its home in Jesus.

Sermon Transcripts

UPDATED! Each week we strive 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 13.

CLICK HERE TO READ ANDREW'S SERMON TRANSCRIPT FROM 10/13 (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

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

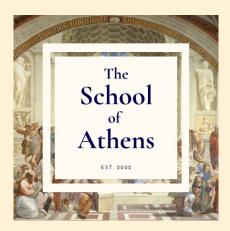
Direct questions and sign up to volunteer through Mark Herboth, mlherboth@gmail.com 704-617-9321.

Watch the Livestream

We sincerely apologize that we did not get last week's worship on livestream. If you would like to volunteer to help with the livestream on a rotating basis, please see the request for volunteers near the top of this email with more information. We welcome all who are interested, and we offer free, friendly training!

If you wish to subscribe to our YouTube 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!





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:



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.





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

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 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



If you are a church 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) are both happy to assist! Printed copies of directories are also available to our members upon request.

CLICK HERE TO GET DIRECTLY TO REALM

Contact: <u>Katherine Brekke</u>

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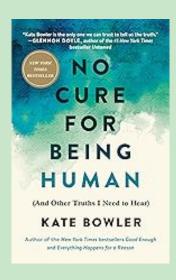
Adult Choir: Adult Choir rehearses weekly beginning in the sanctuary at 7:30pm on Wednesdays. If you're interested in joining us, contact Jeremy! *Contact. Jeremy Nabors*



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.

Right now they are reading Kate Bowler's Book *No Cure for Being Human.*

All women are welcome! Contact: Marcia Ladd





Until next week...
GRACE & PEACE

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