## Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church Welcome, Worship, Witness <u>View as Webpage</u>

## Chapel in the Pines



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If you are looking for Andrew's musing, please 'view it on webpage' (see above) and continue reading the newsletter and you'll find it. Many questions you have about the happenings of CITP are answered in this email!

HOLY WEEK **SCHEDULE** 

**PALM** SUNDAY <u>April 13, 10am</u>

Combined Worship with Potluck

MAUNDY April 17, 7pm

THURSDAY Worship with Holy Communion & (optional) Foot

Washing

GOOD **FRIDAY** 

<u>April 18, 7pm</u> Worship with

Mt. Zion at CITP

**EASTER** DAY

<u>April 20, 9:15am & 11am</u>

Worship with Refreshments at 10am

EASTER MONDAY April 21

Church Office Closed

# PRAYFOROUR YOUTHGROUP ON THEIR MISSION TRIP

Our youth group ages 6-12th grade are off on a mission trip March 21 - 23!

Please pray for travel mercies and that they will feel the presence of the Holy Spirit guiding them as they spread love, kindness, and labor on this trip. May they also continue to grow personally and spiritually from this experience.

# ABOUT OUR CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP



If you've never attended and possibly been too timid to try our Contemplative Service, please consider joining us Monday, March 24 for this peaceful service. The following is a general outline of what happens at our contemplative service.

## **CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP**

You are welcome, as well as anyone in the larger community that you'd like to invite.

**OPENING SONG** 

**POEM AND SCRIPTURE** 

**20 MINUTES OF SILENCE** 

**COMMUNION** 

**OPTIONAL SHARING** 

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.

## Session Notes

### **February Session Meeting**

At the February Session meeting, the following were discussed. Jordan Horn has resigned and we wish her well.

We have received 36% of our pledges, which puts us ahead of chedule. March 9 we will have a congregational meeting to approve the annual report, the pastor's terms of call and nominating committee for elders and deacons.



#### March 20-27, 2025

Thursday, March 20 Office Hours 9am-1pm

- 10am Crafty Crafters, Fellowship
- 10:30am Poetry Discussion, Galloway Ridge

Friday, March 21 Church Office Closed 6th-12th Grade Youth are off on a mission trip

• 12pm Write to Heal Class by Mary Barnard, Sacred Art Room

Saturday, March 22 Church Office Closed

> 2pm School of Athens Class, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 23 Third Sunday in Lent

- 9am Exploring Together Class,
- 9am Grace Ringers Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall
- 9:15am Worship with Sacred Art for Children, Indoors
- 11am Worship, Indoors and Live Streamed

Monday, March 24 Office Hours 9am-1pm

- 10am Munson Law Firm Event, Fellowship Hall
- 6pm Contemplative Worship, Sanctuary
- 7pm Session Meeting, Fellowship

Tuesday, March 25

- Office Hours 9am-1pm
   10am Women's Study, Fellowship
  - 11:30am InFocus Photography Group, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, March 26 Office Closed

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

The following motions were passed:

From Finance: It is moved that members' financial data be reviewed only by the treasurer, assistant treasurer and accountant in preparation for and execution of the stewardship campaign, as has been the past precedent.

From Welcome &

Membership: We joyfully recommend Sheila and Bob Breitweiser into church membership at Chapel in the Pines.

We move to place the PC(USA) brochure, "Well Chosen Words," around the church for members and visitors to pick up.

### 2025 Congregational Meeting

At the March 9 congregational meeting, the following passed unanimously: Motion to Approve the annual report, motion to approve the pastor's terms of call, motion to approve the slate of candidates for the nominating committee for elders and deacons for 2025; Sarah McCormack, Jerry Douglas, and Mickey dePrater.

## **Mission News, Events** & Volunteer **Opportunities**

**NEW!** To read Susie Smith's latest article titled Books", CLICK "Two HERE.



Thursday, March 27 Office Hours 9am-1pm

- 9am Men's Fellowship, Belted Goat
- 2pm Mountain Dulcimer Group, Fellowship Hall
- 6pm Thirst Quenchers

Church Office Hours Mon, Tues, Thurs: 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 <u>Teresa</u> know so she can edit the church's master calendar.



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





**Pastor on Call This Week:** 

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



NURSERY SERVICE FOR CHILDREN FOUR AND UNDER WILL BE PROVIDED AT OUR 9:15AM AND OUR 11AM SERVICES, AS WELL AS AT OUR 10AM SERVICE AT THE COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICES ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH.

CONTACT: JOELLE BRUMMITT-YALE

## Youth Events/News



#### YOUTH GROUPS

**UPDATED!** Due to the Youth Group's Mission Trip this weekend, our regular youth group gatherings are canceled for this Sunday, March 23.

Contact: Joelle Brummitt-Yale, Director of Children's and Youth Ministries, jbrummittyale@citppc.org

## Weekly Reminders

## Sermon Transcripts

UPDATED! Each week when Andrew preaches, we strive to update his sermon transcripts here for those who wish to have a PDF to read. Click on the red button below to read Andrew's latest sermon transcript.

CLICK HERE TO READ ANDREW'S SERMON TRANSCRIPT FROM 03/16

## Watch the Livestream

UPDATED! Each week we have volunteers who livestream the 10am service on second Sundays and 11am service other weeks. When we have that available, we will share a link to it here. Please click on the purple button below to watch this week's livestream.

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!

> CLICK TO WATCH THE LIVESTREAM FROM SUNDAY 03/16/2025

## NEWSLETTER & BULLETIN DEADLINE



If you wish to have something in our newsletter and/or bulletin, the deadline to guarantee it makes it in that week is 5pm Tuesday. We apologize for any inconvenience.



The sign-up sheets to bring flowers in 2025 is on the welcome table in the narthex! We have many open slots. Please sign up soon to get the date you would like.

Contact: Hope Weber or Jan Herboth

## CURIOUS ABOUT THE MOUNTAIN DULCIMER?



The Chapel Hill Mountain Dulcimer Group meets at Chapel in the Pines on the fourth Thursday of every month from 2-4pm. Listeners and beginners are welcome!

Contact: Marian 469-261-4685 or Cornelia 919-606-1395





#### WE WANT YOU March 29 9am-noon

The church will have its biannual workday on March 29 (rain date April 5) from 9am to 12pm. Please come out and help beautify our grounds more! We will be focusing on planting ground cover in front of the church and in the Remembrance Garden, with weeding and mulching. Bring water and gardening tools!

Contact: Karen Atkins or Bruce
Raymond

School of Athens



UPDATES! PARENTS' MEETING: We have a small group for parents! Every second Sunday during the time when our K-8th graders meet for faith formation (3-4:30pm), join us for a time of connection, study, and reflection together in the Gathering Room. We'll also meet there on fourth Sundays and we will join the Racial Justice group that will be meeting in the Gathering Room on those dates! NOTE: There are no youth groups, parents meeting or Racial Justice meeting this Sunday.

Childcare will be provided for children too young for youth group (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



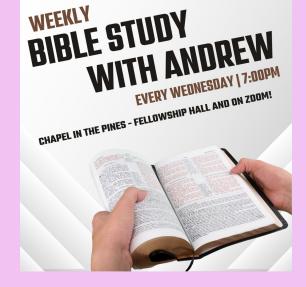
Event: A presentation and discussion of the book Plato's Republic March 15 & 22 2pm-4pm Fellowship Hall

Led by Blaine Paxton Hall, group members will read and discuss Plato's Republic. They will examine Plato's main character Socrates's overarching question of his interlocutors: What is justice? Within the political context of their time, they will consider Plato's Socrates' philosophies of the Forms, education, democracy, and philosopher-kings--those people who Socrates thought best to rule. We'll examine his allegory of the cave, his "ship of state" allegory, his parable of Gyges' magic ring, and his description of the ideal city. We'll understand Socrates' dialectical method, an educational technique, which is still used today to teach critical thinking skills.

For more information; and please kindly register at: https://www.theschoolofathens.net

Event is at no cost to attendees, and open to the public.

This event is sponsored by The School of Athens, which is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, and is supported by private monies only. They are grateful for your financial gifts which help defray the costs of making this free public event possible.



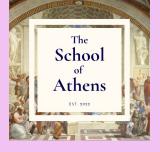
Bible Study on Wednesdays at 7pm is back on! Andrew looks forward to spending this special time with you each week! Join us in the Fellowship Hall or on Zoom! Watch for an email to come out each week that will share the scripture we will be studying that week.

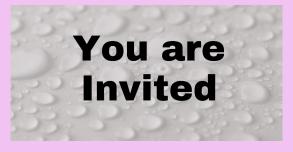
CLICK HERE WEDNESDAY EVENINGS TO ZOOM THE BIBLE STUDY CLASS AT 7pm

#### 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.









You are cordially invited to go to the center front of our sanctuary each week ten minutes before the 11am service and also immediately after the end of that service, to say hello to our online worshippers. We do not show the congregation during worship, in order to respect vulnerable members including children, but would like for our online viewers to see those who don't mind being seen! (Children may participate in these greetings with their parents or guardians.) The live stream cameras will only show those people who stand in the zone between the piano and the altar.



#### WEEKLY CHOIR REHEARSALS!

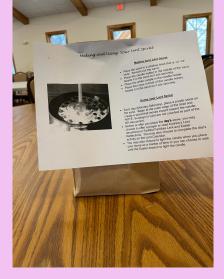
Handbells: We have two handbell choirs now. Our regular handbell choir meets Wednesdays at 6pm in the sanctuary. We also have a new group, Grace Ringers, for ages 6th grade through adults that will meet and rehearse on Sundays at 9am in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great group for those with less experience. 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* 



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.

The group will is currently reading Bishop Mariann Edgar Budde's book, How We Learn to be Brave! Reviews so



Did you miss the recent Intergenerational Lent Spiral craft activity? No problem! You're invited to swing by and pick up a bag of supplies from the narthex to put together the craft at home. Instructions are attached to the front of the bag.

Contact: <u>Ioelle</u>

# **Easter Flowers**

We still have lots of slots available to sign up to provide Easter flowers and the deadline is approaching. Please consider donating in honor or memory of a loved one, or in thanksgiving.

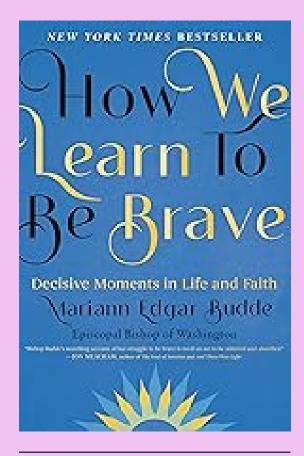
As is traditional for CITP, we will have Easter flowers around the Communion table. This year we are making our sanctuary free of lilies to alleviate any potential allergic reaction to the strong fragrance of lilies.

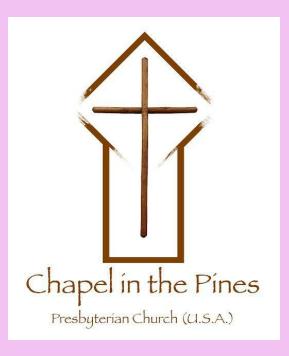
After the Easter service, you would be invited to take a floral bouquet home either for yourself or to give to someone you know who would enjoy the flowers. The sign up sheet is in the narthex. Payment made be made online in Realm or to the CITP office.

Please sign up no later than Sunday, 3/30/25.

far from the ladies are five stars! Please know you are invited to join the group for fellowship and wonderful discussions.

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





Until next week...
GRACE & PEACE

# PASTOR'S MUSING

## **Finally, Comes the Poet**

#### Faith & Feet

My friend, Victor, cited a study that claimed pedestrians today walk 15 times faster than 40 years ago. He and I agree this development is lamentable, for it appears that we, as a society, are less likely to amble and stroll. This, in turn, comes at the expense of joie de vivre.

Flâneur is a French word for a person who walks without a specific destination in mind but rather to observe and experience a city. According to acclaimed journalist Rebecca Solnit, the goal is "to find what you don't know you are looking for." It is to wander to wonder.

As part of our weekend trip, the youth and chaperones will take an urban walk through downtown Raleigh. I'm sure our route is planned in advance, but rather than rushing to get to a destination, we will take time to notice our surroundings and wonder about what we see, hear, and smell. The hope is that we learn something about the city and its residents as well as something about ourselves. The hope is something like what Rep. John Lewis said, paraphrasing an African proverb, "When you pray, move your feet."

In hope, Andrew+

NEW! To read Andrew's article, "Go Ask Dad's (Un)Common Prayers", CLICK HERE (WRAL.com)

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