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

Chapel in the Pines



IMPORTANT NOTE! We highly recommend that you go back up to the top of this page and click 'view on webpage'. If you do not do that, you will not be able to see this email in its entirety. We apologize for the inconvenience.

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!

Summek Combined Worship

One combined summer worship service indoors at 10am through August currently happening!

This service is also livestreamed

SUNDAY SCHOOL WITH ANDREW SUNDAY MORNINGS | 8:45AM CHAPEL IN THE PINES - IN PERSON AND ON ZOOM!



New Sunday School Class Book of Confessions of PC(USA) July-August 8:45 to 9:30am In-person and Zoom option

This summer, Andrew (with the help of a few guest preachers) will spend time in worship exploring the Book of Confessions of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). These historical documents date back to the earliest church (the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds) as well as up to the 20th century. With one combined worship service at 10am, Andrew has the opportunity to lead a Sunday School class before worship to detail more about these documents as well as take questions and promote conversation. The time is meant to include choirs before their rehearsals and the Zoom option is available to all

and for extra flexibility as well. Please contact Andrew with any questions.

CLICK TO ZOOM IN SUNDAY MORNING AT 8:45

STREET MEDICINE POP-UP EVENT



Tuesday, July 22 9am-1pm

Parking lot of University Baptist Church 100 S. Columbia St, Chapel Hill In support of our unsheltered residents, Orange County and its community partners are hosting a special pop-up event where individuals can connect with resources and get support.

Medical Services: Medical appointments, medication needs, check-ups and screenings

Behavioral Health Resources: Information, referrals, intakes, prescriptions and Narcan

Dental: Dental exams, teeth cleanings, help with follow-up care Pet Care: Veterinary and animal services including vaccines,

microchips and exams Help with Housing Intakes & Benefits: Support filling out forms for housing, food stamps, Medicaid and other services And Much more! Including haircuts, self-care kits, socks, clothes, supplies for the summer to help stay safe



HELP IS NEEDED

Pop-Up Cooks and Servers Needed

CITP is eager to help at a Pop-Up Event being coordinated by Thava Mahadevan, the Director of the Farm at Penny Lane. The event is in Chapel Hill on Tuesday, July, 22 from 9 am to 1pm.

The event is to help unsheltered residents of Orange County. There they can get: medical services; behavioral health resources; dental care; pet care; help with housing intake and benefits; haircuts; self-care kits; socks; clothes; supplies; and a meal.

The meal is where YOU come in. We need people to COOK and few people to SERVE.

Please volunteer to COOK a SIDE DISH:

Cole Slaw (light dressing) - 10 servings Potato Salad (light on mayonaise) - 10 servings Baked Beans (no bacon, light on sugar and salt) - 10 serving Other picnic-like side dish - 10 servings In keeping the theme of promoting healthy actions and outcomes, all dishes should be low in fat, sugar, and salt. We need a total of about 16 dishes cooked/prepared.

We are very excited to be asked to help with this event that will address health care and housing in an integrated approach. That happens to be the way Thava thinks and dreams. We hope for more events and opportunities like this!

Please email or text Jeff Olson to volunteer to cook and/or serve.



Our younger youth group is off on a trip to the Massannetta Youth Conference with their leaders July 15 - 18! Please pray for travel mercies and that they will feel the presence of the Holy Spirit guiding them as they learn, grow and connect with other youth on this trip.



Our Sanctuary is open each week from 9am-1pm Monday, Tuesday and Thursday for you to come, sit and pray. (We do have sanctuary elves that tidy up the sanctuary on various weekday mornings, so we highly recommend checking in with Teresa before you come just to make sure there's nothing going on.) We want you to have a safe space to meditate, pray and feel God's love and presence.

INFO ON OUR TRAIL BRIDGES



With the over abundance of rain we recently received, both of our trail bridges were washed downstream. The north end bridge is close to its trail location and can be fairly easily put back. The south bridge (closest to Briar Chapel) was washed downstream a long way. In the meantime the creek crossings on the trail will be closed. The trail to the Ebenzer is fine if someone wants to walk out there or if they want to walk down to the creek.

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,



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and resources as we grow together in our faith.



July 10 - 17 , 2025

Thursday, July 10

- Office Hours 9am-1pm • 6pm Thirst Quenchers,
 - Fellowship Hall

Friday, July 11

- Office Closed
 - 3:15pm Presbyterian Women's Circle, Fellowship Hall

Saturday, July 12 Office Closed

 Deb Rogers Prepping for the Potluck Fellowhip Hall

Sunday, July 13

- 8:45am Summer Sunday School Class with Andrew, Sanctuary and Zoom
- 9am Exploring Together Class, Zoom
- 10am COMBINED Summer Worship Service (indoors and livestreamed)
- 11:15am Indoor BBQ Potluck, Fellowship Hall Monday, July 14

Office Hours 9am-1pm

• 6pm Faith Formation, Zoom

Tuesday, July 15

- Office Hours 9am-1pm 10am Women's Study,
 - Fellowship Hall
 - 11:30am In Focus Photography Group, Fellowship Hall
 - 3:30pm Welcome & Membership Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, July 16 Office Closed

• 4:30pm Presbyterian String Band, Sanctuary

Thursday, July 17

Office Hours 9am-1pm

10am Crafty Crafters, Fellowship

to read the latest Session Digest from the June 23, 2025 scheduled meeting.

CLICK HERE TO SEE THE DIGEST FROM THE JUNE SESSION MEETING

Mission News, Events & Volunteer **Opportunities**

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

> CLICK HERE TO READ **ABOUT THE PCUSA's RESPONSE TO THE TEXAS FLOODING**

CLICK HERE TO WATCH THE SERVICE FROM THE MISSION PRESBYTERY





Our mission partner, Chatham County Literacy Council, has a part-time (20 hours per week) job opening for a Development Director. Click on the

Hall

• 10:30am Poetry Discussion at Galloway Ridge

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.



Office Hours

Monday 9am - 1pm Tuesday 9am - 1pm

Thursday 9am - 1pm

If in doubt, call or email first.

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



PINK button below to learn more.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS OPPORTUNITY





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.



Greet Our Online Worshippers

You are cordially invited to go to the center front of our sanctuary each week



PENNIES FOR HUNGER

This Sunday is our Pennies for Hunger offering. Please consider donating to help curb hunger.



Please plan to come to the July 13 POTLUCK INDOOR BARBECUE after our combined worship service THIS SUNDAY at 10am.

What are your favorite BBQ sides? Mammaw's baked beans? Dad's potato salad? Aunt Gertie's pickle relish? Your creative slaw? Macaroni salad? Whatever it is, please bring it to share with everyone!

Sign up by clicking on the blue button below to help with set up/takedown/clean up and to bring some of your favorite BBQ Dishes! WE REALLY DO NEED YOUR HELP!

CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP FOR THE POTLUCK

10 minutes before the combined 10 am or our regular 11am service and also immediately after the end of those services, 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 livestream cameras will only show those people who stand in the zone between the piano and the Communion table.



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



Memorial Service Info

Memorial Service for Nedra Van Gombos

Chapel in the Pines Saturday, August 9, 2pm



CITPPC YOUTH GROUPS

Regular meetings are on summer break!

However, the middle school youth group members will be at Conference in Massanetta July 15 - 18. The high school youth group will be at Conference in Montreat July 20-26. Please pray for their safe travels.

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

Sermon Transcripts

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

Unfortunately we do not have an updated transcript for 7/6/2025 but if you missed the 6/29/2025 transcript, it's still up. Just click on the red button!

> CLICK HERE TO READ ANDREW'S SERMON TRANSCRIPT FROM 06/29/2025

UPDATED!

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Men's Fellowship will not meet on the second Thursday of the month during July and August, but we continue to meet meet the fourth Thursday of the month at 9am at the Fearrington Village Belted Goat.



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.

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 07/06/2025

You are Invited



WEEKLY CHOIR REHEARSALS!

Handbells: We have two handbell choirs. One choir is for those with more experience in ringing. The Grace Ringers choir is aimed for those who are new to ringing or with limited musical experience. Both groups are for anyone in the 6th grade and up. PLEASE NOTE: We are on summer break and will resume early fall. *Contact: Katherine Brekke*

Adult Choir: We are not having adult choir rehearsals again until closer to fall.

SUMMER CHOIR:

Summer choir is in full swing. We will will be singing again Sunday August 3 as well as other dates below. No weekday rehearsals, no long term commitments, no experience necessary! Join us 30 minutes before the worship service to learn an easy anthem!

Remaining summer choir dates: August 3, 10, 24, 31 - 9:30am rehearsal

Contact. Jeremy Nabors

SALVAMY	
Summer Pal	ooza Family Fun Day
July 19th 11-4pm E	Bray Park Wren Family Shelter
Fr	ee Admission
Presented by The Salvat	ion Army & The NC National Gu
Games and Activities:	Touch A Truck All Free:
Giant Bounce House – Free	Humvee
Pedal Cars—Free	LMTV
Dunk Tank— 1 Ball \$1 Adults	Fire Truck
3 Balls \$1 under 12	Food Drive:
Water Play—Free	Help your neighbors by bringing
Rock Painting—Free	nonperishable food items!
Mini Putt Putt Golf- Free	
Bubble Station - Free	Check Facebook for Updates:
Corn Hole— Free	The Salvation Army of Chatham Count
Playground—Free	
Face Painting—Donation	All Proceeds Benefit
Food (Cash Preferred):	Chatham County Residents
Chicken Plate with Side & Drink—\$10	
Hot Dog Meal —\$5	Summer
Snow Cones -\$1	Strand .

The Salvation Army has the opportunity to partner with the Army National Guard in Siler City to host a summer fundraising event/fun day THIS Saturday, July 19, and you are invited!

Take the family or just go there on your own. Bounce in the castle, touch a HUMVEE, Dunk a Deputy, win some cool raffle prizes and eat lunch. Every cent benefits The Salvation Army's Siler City office, and every lunch you purchase buys another lunch for someone else!

Contact: Rebecca Sommer-Petersen

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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 is reading the book by Rachel Held Evans, *Inspired*. 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 ...

PASTOR'S MUSING



Finally, Comes the Poet

Roy Milton was a gentleman in the truest sense of the word. He was dignified, considerate, and unfailingly polite. He never had a cross or impatient word for anyone, so he was dearly beloved by the staff at Carolina Meadows. Most of all, Roy was devoted to his beloved Bev.

A highly successful businessman and world traveler, he ended his days in a small room with a few of his mementos from his time living in Japan. However, his mind remained active; he read widely and vigorously. I enjoyed our visits, and my Gmail records 228 messages from him over the years, almost all of which included an attachment or link, and then Roy's interpretation and commentary.

I appreciated his humor. "Dear Andrew, just when you thought this was an easy day..." was his preface to Mark 12: 30–31.

Here is his working definition of <u>paraprosdokian</u>: "I asked God for a bike, but I know God doesn't work that way. So, I stole a bike and asked for forgiveness." Given such a sophisticated vocabulary, I needed to use a search engine before responding!

Roy distrusted dogma and doctrine, which didn't sit well with some of the other pastors he included in his emails. In another email, he quoted James Baldwin: "If the concept of God has any validity or any use, it can only be to make us larger, freer, and more loving. If God cannot do this, then it is time we got rid of Him."

In response to an outraged reply, Roy clarified, "I don't believe Baldwin means to offend; he is, I'm certain, a prophet of love. For what is love if not demanding?" Indeed.

In another email, Roy wrote, citing the book The Luminous Web by

Barbara Brown Taylor, "If we are freed from dogma and doctrine, we could stop believing stuff to get stuff. It is, after all, trust – not certainty – that makes us 'believers.'"

Roy and Bev were not members of our church, but they were incredibly generous and faithful through the history of Chapel in the Pines. The couple last visited on Easter 2022, which I know because Roy sent me a kind email follow-up: it was "my first 'out to church' in a long time. And it felt good."

For all his erudite eloquence, for all that I learned from him over the years, it is this humble and gentle wording that I rest in as I miss him. It "felt good" to know Roy Milton. May his memory always be a blessing.

In Hope Andrew+

NEW! To read Andrew's article "Why Do You Go to Church?" (agapereview.com) <u>CLICK HERE</u>

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