

Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church
Welcome, Worship, Witness

[View as Webpage](#)

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 or his Ask a Pastor question and answer in place of it! Many questions you have about the happenings of CITP are answered in this email!



CITP'S ANNUAL MEETING

**FEBRUARY 8
10AM**

PLEASE JOIN US!

**Please put our annual meeting on your calendar for
February 8 at our combined 10am worship service.
We'd love it if all of our members would plan to attend.
This will be held during the worship service.**



WORSHIP UPDATES

We have returned to our regular worship times:
9:15am indoors until temperatures are 50+ degrees
11am indoors with livestreaming
On the second Sunday of each month:
ONE COMBINED 10am indoors with livestreaming

NEW!

Please note: We are anticipating snow and very cold temperatures this weekend. We will hold ONE worship service on Zoom at 10am. The Zoom link can be found by clicking on blue button below! We hope everyone will be safe and warm in their homes and that we will see many of you on Zoom Sunday!

[CLICK HERE SUNDAY 10AM TO ATTEND ZOOM WORSHIP](#)

TUESDAY NIGHT CHURCH DINNERS

NEW TIME: 5-6pm



Sign up for the Tuesday night dinner by the Thursday before! Link is emailed out Tuesday evenings.

Contact: **Ginny Taylor-Troutman**



ANDREW'S BIBLE STUDY, and WHOLENESS & HEALING SERVICE

Andrew is leading a Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday evenings this season. Please join us for Church Family Dinner at 5 p.m. and stay for Bible Study! There is a Zoom option for the Bible Study.

Please note: On the last Tuesday of the month, there will be a Wholeness and Healing service in the sanctuary in place of Bible Study.

CLICK HERE ON ALL BUT THE LAST TUESDAYS OF THE MONTH AT 6:30PM TO JOIN THE BIBLE STUDY WITH ANDREW

Beginning February 1

9:15 Service*: Sacred Art

*also at 10:00 combined worship services

Following Time With Young Disciples, children ages 4+ are invited to the Sacred Art room to explore the day's scripture through discussion and visual arts and games.



11:00 Service: Sacred Art: Music

Following Time With Young Disciples, children ages 4+ are invited to the Sacred Art room to explore the day's scripture through discussion and music.



[Contact: Joelle](#)

Join us for our



February 8

SHARE THE LOVE VALENTINE POTLUCK

Join us Sunday, February 8 after the combined worship service. Please bring your favorite dishes to share, sign up to help, or just come for some delicious food and wonderful fellowship!

Please click on the red button below to sign up. That helps us to stay organized - and **please remember to bring an index card with ingredients listed for those who have allergies.**

We hope to see everyone!

[Contact: Deb Rogers](#)

CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP FOR THE POTLUCK

BREAD AND ROSES CONCERT SERIES



DAWN LANDES
+ LYRICOSA STRING QUARTET

FREE

ALL DONATIONS BENEFIT
CORA FOOD PANTRY



FRIDAY FEB 6

7 PM

CHAPEL IN THE PINES

As the first of a three concert series, Dawn Landes will be performing along with the Lyricosa String Quartet Friday February 6 at 7pm in our sanctuary.

Admission is free, but donations will be gratefully accepted and will benefit Cora Food Pantry right here in Chatham County! We hope you will be able to attend this wonderful start to our 2026 series!

We **WELCOME** all people into our community 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

A close-up photograph of water droplets on a surface, creating a textured, reflective background for the text. The droplets are clear and vary in size, catching light.

**Computer
Training**

resources as we grow together in our faith.



Jan 29 - Feb 5, 2026

Thursday, January 29

Office Hours 9am-1pm

- 6pm Manns Crossing HOA Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Friday, January 30

Office Closed

- 9am Chatham Literacy Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- 5:30pm Private Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Saturday, January 31

- ALL DAY Private Wedding, Sanctuary, Gathering Room

Sunday, February 1

Office Closed

ALL IN PERSON EVENTS CANCELLED

- 9am Exploring Together Class, Zoom
- 10am Worship ZOOM

Monday, February 2

Office Hours 9am-1pm

Tuesday, February 3

Office Hours 9am-1pm

- 10am Women's Fellowship, Fellowship Hall
- 1pm Devoted Readers Book Club, Zoom
- 5pm Tuesday Night Church Dinners, Fellowship Hall
- 6:30pm Bible Study with Andrew, Fellowship Hall & Zoom

Wednesday, February 4

Office Closed

- 7:45am Chatham Literacy, Fellowship Hall
- 2pm Galloway Ridge Worship with Holy Communion
- 4:30pm Presbyterian String Band Practice, Sanctuary
- 6pm Agape Ringers Rehearsal
- 7pm Personnel Committee Meeting, Fellowship Hall

COMPUTER TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES!



Computer Programs Training Sessions will be held for various Sundays from 10am to 10:45am in the Fellowship Hall as noted below. These will be live interactive hands-on sessions. We ask that you bring your laptops or iPads to the sessions. Please join any of the remaining sessions:

- 2/15, 10am-10:45am: CITP Website with Vicky Raymond and Realm with Paul Bolig
- 3/1, 10am-10:45am: Word with Cheryl Krier
- 3/22, 10am-10:45am: Google Docs with Nancy Donny & Winter Donny-Clark
- **TBD, 10am-10:45am: SignUp Genius with Sarah McCormack**
- **TO BE RESCHEDULED 10am-10:45am: Microsoft Excel introduction with Cheryl Krier**

Questions: Cheryl Krier



- 7:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 5
Office Hours 9am-1pm

**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 Teresa know so she can edit the
church's master calendar.**



**(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

GIVING STATEMENTS

Coming through USPS soon!



NEW! Be on the lookout for your 2025
Giving Statement from Chapel in the
Pines. These will be paper statements
sent to your USPS mailbox arriving the
week of January 26.

Contact: Tim White, Treasurer

NEW! CLICK on the green button below
to read the December 2025 Treasurer's
Report.

Contact: Tim White

**CLICK HERE TO READ
THE DECEMBER 2025
TREASURER'S REPORT**

If you are a church member and would
like the monthly financial reports, please
contact **Tim White**.

Flower Ministry

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.

There is no written transcript of Sunday January 25 worship service by Zoom. But if you missed the transcript from the previous Sunday, 01/18/2026 click below.

**CLICK HERE TO READ
ANDREW'S SERMON
TRANSCRIPT FROM
01/18/2026**

Pre-recorded Livestream

UPDATED VIDEO! Each week we have volunteers who livestream the 11am service and the weeks we have a combined 10am service. You may watch it live by [visiting our website and clicking on the link](#) to access the services in real time, or we share a link to it here when it is recorded and uploaded to YouTube. Please use the "chat" function on YouTube to let us know you're watching.

Unfortunately we do not have one from the Zoom on January 25 to share at this time. Should that become available, we will send it out separately in another email.

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



Special thank you to all of those who donated flowers in 2025! We had a wonderful year of beauty for our sanctuary! In fact, 2025 we had the most donors ever signed up! We are so grateful! We hope that we will have another successful year in 2026 and we are asking for your help to make that happen. The sign up sheet is in the narthex. You have a wide selection of dates to choose from at this time, as we still have so many dates still open. We are most appreciative of your support.

Contact: [Hope Weber](#) or [Jan Herboth](#)

Weekly Reminders

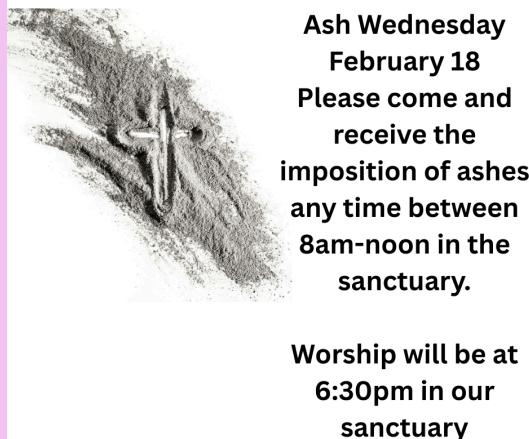


Save the Date



Please plan to join us for our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper with the Men's Fellowship cooking the meal on February 17 as we will prepare to move into the season of Lent. This supper will take place at 5pm in lieu of our weekly Family Night Dinners. **We still request you sign up the week before so we know how to plan.**

Andrew will be hosting his regular Bible Study following the supper. All are welcome!



Ash Wednesday
February 18
Please come and receive the imposition of ashes any time between 8am-noon in the sanctuary.

Worship will be at 6:30pm in our sanctuary

All are welcome!

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.



Greet Our Online Worshippers

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

Volunteers Needed

LITERACY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



TUTORING ENGLISH FOR
SPEAKERS OF OTHER
LANGUAGES & MORE

TRAINING & MATERIALS PROVIDED

Chatham Literacy partners with O'Mara Landscaping to offer literacy classes to O'Mara employees on company time. For the upcoming term, we need four to six volunteer tutors to teach English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), digital literacy, and possibly landscaping certification programs. Training and materials will be provided, and two tutors will be assigned to each class if we have enough volunteers.

**You can make a difference by
volunteering!**

For more information contact [Marian Olson](#), or call 469-261-4685.

Church Wish List



NURSERY UPDATE!!!



WE CURRENTLY PROVIDE NURSERY CARE FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF FOUR 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

CITPPC YOUTH GROUPS



FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH GROUP:

Faith Formation for children 2nd-6th grades will meet Sundays from 3-4:30pm in our fellowship hall for a mix of fellowship, Bible study, faith exploration, community building and fun!

Youth group for 7th-12th grade students will meet Sundays from 5-6:30pm in the fellowship hall!

Contact: jbrummittyale@citppc.org

Men's Fellowship

We have resumed our regular 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.





Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church
Wish List January 2026

We have longer-term areas where donations are appreciated. No short-term projects.

Endowments
Loan Principal Reduction
Pastor's Discretionary Fund
Mission & Service General Outreach

Contact Tim White, CITP Treasurer at
treasurer@citppc.org or 910-722-6594



We do not offer PDFs online of our church directory due to security concerns. Basic contact information that you'd find in a directory is available for members through their Realm account.

However, if you are a member and need a printed hard copy of the directory please let Teresa in the office know and she'll be happy to print one out for you to pick up. Again, she can not email them due to security concerns.

To access your Realm account to update your address or other edits, or to obtain basic contact information for other adult members, click on the yellow button below! If you don't remember your sign-in or your password, there's an option for you to reset it.

CLICK HERE TO GET TO REALM



Adult Vocal & Bells!



WEEKLY CHOIR REHEARSALS!

Handbells: We have two handbell groups at CITP. Grace Ringers meet Sundays from 6:30-7:30pm. Grace Ringers provide music only on combined service Sundays, so is a great option for early service folks.

Agape Ringers meet on Wednesdays from 6:15-7:15pm and ring for various services throughout the year. Anyone may join us to ring opening peals each week. All are welcome to join from 6th grade through adults.

Contact: Katherine Brekke

Adult Choir: The Adult Choir helps lead worship at the 11am service as well as the 10am combined services. The Adult Choir is open to singers 6th grade through adults. Rehearsals are Wednesday nights from 7:30-8:30 in the sanctuary. All are welcome!

Contact: Jeremy Nabors



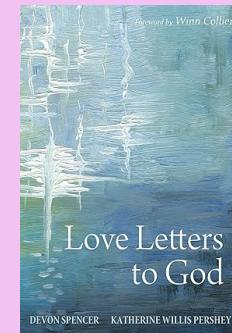
All women are invited to join us as we get together every week in the Fellowship Hall's conference room on Tuesdays at 10am. we have excellent guest speakers,

discuss books, poetry and share in delightful fellowship together.

The group is currently studying and discussing the book *Love Letters to God* by Devon Spencer and Katherine Willis Pershey.

All women are welcome!

Contact: [Marcia Ladd](#)



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



+

ASK A PASTOR

REV. DR. ANDREW TAYLOR-TROUTMAN

QUESTION

*How do you explain
evil in the world?
Where does it come
from?*

Dear Pastor,

How do you explain evil in the world? Where does it come from?

Your questions have been on the minds and hearts of religious people since the beginning.

The most straightforward religious answer is that there are gods of good and evil. It is believed that these deities are battling, and sometimes the bad guys (they are usually male) win, at least temporarily. That is one way to explain evil.

This dualism, however, was never an option for Judaism, which held that there was only one God, the maker of heaven and earth. Evil was not part of the Creator's good intention (see Genesis 1), yet it resulted from the sin of humans (see Genesis 2 and 3).

But laying full blame on humankind has never been very satisfactory either; read the books of Ecclesiastes and Job. It is evident that dreadful

events transpire and individuals endure suffering without any fault of their own.

Honestly, I mistrust any “answers” that claim to explain the existence of evil. I don’t think the writers of scripture tried to answer that question, for it’s really a modern question. Unlike our ancestors, we think that we can know everything and bring all things under our control.

The ancients were more comfortable with mystery. God speaks to Job from the whirlwind, signifying the uncontrollable and unknowable nature of the divine. And Job admits there are things he cannot understand (see Job 42:1–6).

In the Old Testament, I do find a definition of the opposite of evil: “God has shown you, mortal, what is good … do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God” (Micah 6:8). For Christians, such goodness is embodied in Jesus Christ and what he did and taught. While I can’t explain evil, I do recognize such goodness when I experience it.

In hope,
Andrew

To read Andrew's latest article titled "Go Ask Dad: Tender the way" on WRAL.com [CLICK HERE](#)

CLICK HERE TO PLEDGE FOR 2026

**CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE THE TIME AND
TALENT 2026 FORM**

**CLICK HERE TO MAKE A FINANCIAL GIFT, ONE
TIME, OR RECURRING or TEXT CITP TO 73256**

Please visit us on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube



Chapel in the Pines
Presbyterian Church PC(USA)
314 Great Ridge Parkway
Chapel Hill, NC 27516

919-960-0616

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9am-1pm

Pastor's Hours: By appointment



Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church | 314 Great Ridge Parkway | Chapel Hill, NC 27516-4122 US

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)

