# THE CHAPEL MESSENGER

### **APRIL 2021**

# A Letter from Pastor Josh

"Raising Up Fully Committed Followers of Jesus Christ."

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Chapel Friends,

The season of resurrection is upon us. I'm so grateful for the visible signs of new life all around us this time of year. Last year, we were unable to gather for Easter, and I look forward to three opportunities on April 4<sup>th</sup>. We are gathering for 6:30am Sunrise in Heiland View Cemetery, 8am Traditional in the sanctuary, and 10am Modern in the Parish Building. We will have no Sunday school Easter Sunday.

Let us make this a resurrection celebration like never before. See you all on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

Pastor Josh

### **Contact Us**

W: chapelchurch.org

P: 717-244-6375

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### **Worship Schedule:**

8 AM - Traditional

9:15 – Small Groups & Sunday School

10: 30 AM – Contemporary

Join us online on our facebook page or chapelchurch.org

#### **Church Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday

9: 30 AM - 12: 30 PM

# **Worship Updates**

Holy Thursday Service
April 1 @ 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary
Masks are required and seating will be every other pew

Easter Services – April 4 – No Sunday School 6:30 AM – Heiland Cemetary 8:00 AM – Sanctuary 10:00 AM – Parish Bldg Masks are required



April 1 Holy Thursday – no youth

April 4 No Sunday School

April 8 Youth night 6:30-8

April 11 Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10: 15

April 15 Youth night 6:30 – 8

April 18 Sunday Schl 9:15 - 10:15

April 22 Youth night 6:30 – 8

April 25 Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15

April 29 Youth night 6:30 - 8

# **Children's Ministry**



Children's Ministry Information for April Newsletter



Grab your hiking boots and pitch a tent. It's time to summit through the story of Jesus—who rose from death and gave us everything we need for our journey. This month, we're learning about how the miracle of Jesus' resurrection strengthens us and changes our relationships in the best way. Everyone will have a chance to put these ideas in their backpack to carry with them always: Jesus overcame death. Jesus connects us to each other. Jesus gives encouragement. We are stronger with Jesus.

If you declare with your mouth,
"Jesus is Lord" and believe in your heart
that God raised him from the dead,
you will be saved
Romans 10:9



A huge thank you to all who donated candy and helped prepare the bags. Unfortunately the event had to be cancelled.

# **Church, Family and Current Events**

Screen time from bad to worse

Screen time was a challenge before the pandemic, but according to the Mott Poll, a national poll on children's health, the pandemic has caused escalated use of screens for more than just entertainment and parents are concerned about the emotional toll on their children. While this is still a concern for sure, there may be a silver lining to this in that screen time is not just primarily entertainment anymore. It is connection and education. Is it possible, that adding a diversified use of screens can lower the impact of a full diet of negative or violent entertainment media? While the connection between social media and depression is well supported and limiting this along with violent content should still be in order, the positive diversity of screen uses is yet to be proven helpful. Now, more than ever, we need to tune in to how our kids, and we ourselves, are doing emotionally and spiritually.

#### Think about it<

What are some non-media ways for you to stay connected to church if you are not interacting in person?

# **Shower Ministry Update**

We will celebrate our one year anniversary on April 6th, providing a total of 13 showers since we began in April, 2020. Chapel also supplies a bagged lunch, toiletry bag and t-shirt and underwear, and socks as needed. Before our guest leaves, we provide opportunity of prayer for their needs. We follow our church COVID guidelines by wearing masks, social distancing and thoroughly cleaning the bathroom.

Communication has been difficult during the pandemic, however, there have recently opened up more possibilities of outreach, so we are hopeful for greater usage of our ministry. Our client base has been mostly to a gentleman who is homeless and lives out of his car.

At this point, our supplies are sufficient and we will let our fellowship know if donations are needed of clothing, etc. Two volunteers are able to cover the shower mornings, however, more may be needed at some point. Feel free to contact Gaye Ludwig for more details if you would like to be involved. We also earnestly seek the prayer support from Chapel, that the shower ministry would truly be the hands and feet of Jesus as we seek to be of help to "his brothers and sisters, as it is being done unto Him", as well as the words of James that we can put deeds to our faith by offering food, warmth and in Chapel's case, a clean and refreshing start of the day!

Gaye Ludwig with shower day volunteers: Bonnie Bluett and Linda Henry

# 2021 Rummage Sale Update

The Rummage Sale Gal Team announces that there will **NOT** be a rummage sale in 2021 due to the challenging and uncertain circumstances of the past year. We are most grateful for the support that you have given us for the past 20 years....both in volunteer help and donations. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Jean Chubb @ <u>irc2@comcast.net</u> or 717-309-3022

#### **UPDATE ON SCHEDULED CONFERENCES FOR 2021**

After a year of rescheduling and rescheduling again, I thought that 2021 might be a little more tranquil. That has turned out not to be the case. General Conference, Jurisdictional Conference, and the Susquehanna Annual Conference all have been rescheduled. The Jurisdictional Conference is still without a firm date when it can take place.

**General Conference:** Rescheduled for August 29, 2021 in Minneapolis, Minnesota has now been rescheduled again for August 29 September 6, 2022. The postponement is due to other countries not being as far along with vaccinations as the United States and the travel restrictions will not be lifted in time for the travelers from other countries to acquire visas in time for the 2021 date.

**Susquehanna Annual Conference:** This conference has been rescheduled from June 3-5, 2021 at Hershey Lodge to June 18-19, 2021 and will be a virtual conference instead of an in person conference. There will be some sessions and special services held on different dates.

#### Other Sessions:

Clergy Session: June 16, 2021 – virtual

Ordination Service: September 25, 2021 – in person for those involved and their families

and friends

Special Session of Annual Conference: October 5, 2021 – Virtual session to deal with the

2022 budget

Retirement Celebration: October 16, 2021 – this will include the 2020 and 2021 retirees.

Memorial Service: October 30, 2021 – this will include the members of annual

conference that passed away in the years of 2020 and 2021

It is my prayer that these dates are for real and that we may be able to move ahead and we will be able to fully endorse our mission of making disciples for Jesus Christ. Please keep the above dates in your prayers.

Thank You

Bill Leight

#### **GREAT CHAPEL PICNIC UPDATE**

With great sadness, I report that Leadership Council has decided not to add the Great Chapel Picnic to the church's calendar of events this year. In place of the picnic, I am willing to help plan a few COVID-friendly fundraising events to recover the loss of money due to the cancellation. I am requesting help from the congregation to provide insight into the events you would like to see being offered. Send me an email at <a href="https://hdunn251@gmail.com">hdunn251@gmail.com</a> or contact me by phone (717) 817-3847 with your ideas by April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Blessings,

**Heather Dunn** 

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

Women's Ministry will be offering a craft class in June. Tentative dates are June 18 (AM) and June 25 (Friday PM). Details to follow in May. Cost will be no more than \$5.00.

#### **CHARITY QUILT MINISTRY**

The GEMS women's group (a part of Women's Ministry) will be making quilts for women-focused non-profits. We intend this to be an on-going project and hope to donate 2-3 quilts a quarter. We will be using fabric that has been donated to the church over the past several years. You do not need to be a quilter or experienced sewer to participate. If you can sew a straight seam and sew squares together, we welcome your participation. All the squares will be precut and no quilting is required.

If you have an organization to recommend, please let us know. Contact Mary Ann Hildebrand-Tierney (<u>maryann@chapelchurch.org</u>) or Regena Reinoehl.

### **Leadership Council Updates**

Thank You to Jen Clubb: As most of you know, Jen Clubb will be stepping away from her Director of Music Ministries position after Easter Sunday. Jen started as a Chapel employee in 2016 in the Music Ministry area, where she has led our Worship Team and Choir as well as coordinated special music and our children's choir. Jen is also a full time Music Teacher for Red Lion elementary schools; therefore, her schedule is extremely busy. During the last few months, she has felt a need to have more time to worship with her family and focus on spiritual growth. While we are saddened to see her leave, we have appreciated all of the time and energy that she has dedicated to helping our Music Ministry area evolve. If you have ever spent time with Jen, you know what a fun-loving, enthusiastic person she is and how much she loves putting that energy into music to serve the Lord. When you see Jen on Easter Sunday, please thank her for all of her dedicated service for us.

## **Stuff A Backpack Update**

Missions is scheduled to meet on April 7<sup>th</sup> to put the packs together. They will be distributed shortly after that. Thanks to all that contributed.

Erica Little & Erick Toscano had a baby girl:
Saturday, March 27 @ 12:34pm
6lb 15oz
Elsie Ann Toscano
Thank You,

Eileen Little

## **Home Helps 2021 Summer Work Camps**

## Ready to serve your neighbors this summer? We would love to have YOU!

Join us during one (or multiple) of our incredible work camp weeks! A work camp is an event that brings multiple groups of volunteers together to serve our neighbors in need. We are so ready to serve with you!!

It is actually a local "Mission Trip" where volunteers can do everything as if they traveled to a distant location, but they can enjoy their own hot shower and sleep in their own beds at night.

Faith Beyond the Pews (Red Lion/Eastern School District)- June 6-11, 2021

York City Work Camp (York City/Surrounding Area)- July 5-9, 2021

Home Helps Northeast Work Camp (Northeastern School District)- July 25-30, 2021

Each of our work camps have different locations and volunteer application deadlines, so please read the fact sheets for more specific information. To submit your volunteer applications and view our fact sheets, please go to <a href="https://servants.org/pennsylvania/home-helps-work-camps/">https://servants.org/pennsylvania/home-helps-work-camps/</a> for more information.

<u>Our volunteer applications are now all completely online!</u> All you have to do is go to the website link and click application to fill out and submit! You can also access our fact sheets, as well as poster and ways to serve!

Email alishacrooks@servants.org if you have any questions.

Volunteer applications are <u>due three weeks</u> before the work camp date.

We hope to see you this summer!!!

# **Happy Birthday & Anniversary:**

April 2	Leon & Carol Blessing	April 16	Steve & Sandy Stine
April 3	Ernie & Cindy Smeltzer	April 21	Terry & Sharon Snyder
April 4	Whitey & Sandy Breeden	April 23	Bill & Lisa Livelsberger
April 4	Doug & Tammy McWilliams	April 25	Steve & LeeAnn Wilt
April 7	George & Kathy Bradshaw	April 30	Wesley & Linda Willson



1	Randy Kopp	16	Amy Straley
1	Joan Reichard	17	Daniel Wise
2	Arnie Fritzius	18	Sandy Breeden
2	Skip Leiphart	20	April Ludwig
2	Jordan Sedgwick	22	Tim Stem
3	Hunter Eberly	22	Steve Wilt
4	Kaitlyn Cooley	25	Ed Warner
5	Kaylee Henning	26	Caleb Smith
6	Karen Wagner	27	Mary Zurn
7	Chasta Beaverson	28	Linda Ludwig
7	Pam Cunningham	29	Deb Angel
8	Norma Emenheiser	29	Esther Hengst
9	Stephen Sedgwick	29	Lee Poff
13	Nicole Fry	29	Sharon Snyder
15	John Leight	30	Donna Kreiger
16	Jackson Meyer		

### Card Shower request:

John Leight will be 80 years old on April 15. Lets show him some love & caring by sending birthday wishes.

John Leight
Manor Care – Kingston Court Rm 101B
2400 Kingston Court
York, PA 17402

Best wishes to Ed Warner as he starts a new decade.

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