THE CHAPEL MESSENGER

AUGUST 2022

A Letter from Pastor Josh

"Raising Up Fully Committed Followers of Jesus Christ." August 2022

Chapel friends,

Many years ago a friend taught me an important lesson about self-care. He was about to "step away" from ministry after many years, based on the example of the Lord Jesus. "In these days he went out to the mountain to pray, and all night he continued in prayer to God" - Luke 6:12.

As you may know, I will be taking a time of renewal leave the month of September. After eight years as a United Methodist pastor, I feel it is time. Over the past two year, many friends and colleagues prematurely retired or left ministry altogether. I have no doubt their decision was influenced by the global pandemic of Covid-19. This has been a difficult season, of ministry personally and professionally. Sometimes we overlook it, but ministry is also challenging to the pastoral family. I am not only a husband and father, but I am their pastor as well.

I'm grateful that Jesus is indeed the one who gives us rest, when

we come to Him. I will have pastors on call and preachers lined up while I am away. Ministry is about running a marathon, not a sprint. Thank you for your prayers and support for my family and I.

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 – Modern

Join us online on our facebook page or chapelchurch.org

Church Office Hours:

Monday – Friday

9: 30 AM - 12: 30 PM

Prayer Chain:

chapelpt@gmail.com

Worship Updates

August 16 – 7:00 PM – Charge Conference to vote on the sale of church land

Save the Date: October 1 & 2. " Of The Day" will be back in concert & worship. More details to follow.



Aug 4	Youth Night 6:30 - 8
Aug 7	Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15
Aug 11	Youth night 6:30 - 8
Aug 14	Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15
Aug 18	Youth Night 6:30 - 8
Aug 21	Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15
Aug 25	Youth night 6:30 – 8
Aug 28	Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15

Children's Ministry

The nursery is now in A3/A5 (across the hall from A2 where it used to be). Children's Sunday School is now in A2 (instead of A3/A5). Also, a reminder that for the 2nd service, all children 5 years old and up should stay with their parents/family during the service (Children's church has been suspended at least for the summer months). Any questions, contact Chris Kessler, the children's director.

TWEENS

Pastor Josh will be leading Tweens beginning with an event in October TBD.

If you have a 4-6th grader, please email josh@chapelchurch.org.

Chow chow update

Our jars are going down pretty fast and at this point we have no more quart jars to sell. We still have 4- 2Quart jars for \$8.00 and 12 pints jars for \$8.00 (wide and Regular) to sell. Contact Jerry Henry or Dawn Snyder to secure the jars you want. Phone numbers and e-mails are in the directory.

Ladies Night Out

Save the Date – October 14 – Come craft with us and enjoy fellowship with the women of Chapel (and bring your friends too!) More details to follow

Women's Fellowship Day

We hope you have saved-the-date of <u>November 12th</u> for the Women's Fellowship Day to be held at Chapel in the Parish Building. Plans are being formulated but if you would like to join in on the fun of finalizing and bringing this all together, feel free to contact Marilyn Kotcher and let her know. We have an awesome woman in our local area for our featured speaker that will be a blessing to all of us; you for sure do not want to miss! Here's a hint for you... she was a past retreat speaker!!! We will again have a delicious gourmet luncheon served to us to fill our tummies as we feast on teaching from God's Word. Stay tuned to the September newsletter and bulletins for details and the registration form. **CIRCLE THE DATE** and plan some "me" time for you and your friends!

DayCare Graduation Party

August 19 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM outside in the Pavilion area – Movie & ice cream.

Come help celebrate - all are welcome



A Partnership Between Local Churches & LifePath Thrift

Corners of Your Field is a partnership opportunity between local churches and LifePath Christian Ministries. Corners of Your Field encourages attendees of our partner churches to be intentional about selecting their gently used household items as a donation to LifePath Thrift Stores. The stores then return a portion of the value of these items in the form of gift cards to your church to help those directly in your care.

Opportunity to Help Chapel Church when Donating to LifePath Thrift

LifePath Christian Ministries (formerly Rescue Mission) has a partnership with local churches called Corners of Your Field. When you make donations (clothes, household, furniture, etc.) to Life Path, you will be asked the name of the church to receive credit. **Please mention CHAPEL CHURCH**. In return, Chapel will receive quarterly gift cards to LifePath Thrift Stores which our Missions Team can give to anyone seeking help for the things LifePath sells: clothing, household, furniture, etc. As a donor you are still able to take advantage of the tax-deduction from your donations

CHOIR NOTES

As summer winds down quickly, choir begins to wind up for the Fall and Winter seasons.

New voices are always welcome. Instrumentalists are always needed and appreciated.

We enjoy a variety of music choices, so bring your voice and join us in lifting our voices in praise.

The Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings in the sanctuary from 6:30pm – 7:30pm.

First gathering will be Wed/Aug. 31 to look at some music for September and to consider the upcoming final quarter of the year. Please join us! The more voices, the more music we can make!

If anyone has a special musical number or well-loved song which you would like to do on a Sunday morning, or perhaps you have relatives or friends who would like to share their talent, please let me know. Also, if you would like a certain favorite hymn or anthem or special number, just let me know, and we will work it into the schedule. Thanks!

Our Chapel Choir members – past and present! – are very thankful for the many years of dedicated and faithful service which our church organist, Carol Blessing, has blessed us all with and for the many years which she also led the choir as director. She is and always will be a true 'blessing'!

Thank you, Lord, for blessing her in return.

Look for more information soon about special Sundays, as well as the holiday season which seems to get here very quickly. Perhaps you can help with some special songs even if you cannot sing every week.

Leadership Council is currently searching for an organist/pianist/accompanist due to Carol's retirement, so any leads are appreciated. Thank you!

Keep singing praises or just making a joyful noise!

Muriel

Thank You

Dear Chapel Family,

Thank you ALL so very much for the cards, phone calls, and acts of kindness that were shown to our family in the days of Click's transition to his Eternal Home and for your attendance at his service. It was a bitter/sweet time for all of us, but one that God graciously prepared us for and saw to bring Click (Dad) home in a timely and precious way. He loved his church family and even a "Good Morning" offered to him, was encouragement and love that went a long way. May we never tire of expressing this love for one another!

With much gratitude, joy, and love--

The Family of Click Ludwig



TWIN ROSE CONCERT BAND FREE CONCERT AUGUST 7, 2022 @ 6:00 PM CHAPEL CHURCH GROVE

The Twin Rose Concert Band under the direction of Mr. George Bradshaw will be performing a wide variety or musical styles including Broadway, patriotic, marches, and classical pop selections. The concert is free and open to the public. A free will offering will be available for patrons to make donations for the band. Please come out for an enjoyable evening of music!

Leadership Council Updates

Staff Appreciation on August 28th: Chapel's Leadership Council would like to invite our staff and congregation to enjoy a picnic lunch on Sunday, August 28th immediately following the 10:30am service in the Parish Building/Pavilion area. We would like to show our appreciation to our staff by having fellowship, good food and words of encouragement. We will provide hamburgers/hot dogs, so please bring a side or desserts to share. There will be a basket available if you would like to write any cards of appreciation for our staff's dedicated service to the Lord! We hope all of you can join us!

Organist/Pianist Accompanist – Since we celebrated Carol Blessing's retirement on July 24th, we are in need of an organist/pianist accompanist for our 8:00am Traditional Service. We prefer someone who can play the organ, but we know that organists are difficult to find. Piano accompanists with experience are encouraged to apply. General responsibilities include playing hymns to accompany the congregation during the 8am worship service and accompanying the adult choir or special music as needed. Accompanist will attend choir practice which is currently on Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30pm (usually does not meet over the summer) and assist with other special worship services throughout the year (Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, etc.) as needed. Email Pastor Josh at josh@chapelchurch.org for more information or to submit a resume.

<u>Part-Time Facility Maintenance Technician Needed:</u> Chapel Church is seeking a part-time Facility Maintenance Technician to perform routine building maintenance tasks for the interior and exterior facilities of our church property. This is a part-time position of approximately 10-15 hours per week. If you are interested in applying for this position, please submit a resume by email to Brian Conner at sycbrian@comcast.net or contact him by phone at 717-887-5906.

Chapel Church Missions Financial Support for 18 South Youth Center Ministry in Red Lion:

The church Missions Committee voted at a meeting held on July 14th, to donate up to \$716.00 a month toward Chapel's recently introduced "*Let's Get Cooking*" Program, which will be making meals for the youth center. This will be for a 6-month trial period at which time we will re-evaluate our financial support for the 2023 Missions budget.

18 South Youth Center Ministry – Work Detail – Cleaning/Organizing:

The work detail on Saturday, July 16th, went very well. We had about 18 people attend and worked on cleaning and organizing at the center for about 3 to 4 hours. They were very pleased with our efforts, and it looked fantastic. We had an awesome group of cleaners and organizers.

18 South Youth Center Ministry - Quarterly Cleaning/Organizing Work Details:

We discussed the idea of having a work/cleaning day once a quarter at the center for the church to help them. I am in the process now with Pastor Chris Kenna of securing a date in October for our next cleaning work team to clean again and as soon as I get that from him, I will pass it on to the congregation. A sign-up sheet will be posted at that time and an announcement will be placed in the bulletin.

18 South Youth Center Ministry - Assistance Serving Meals:

The Center is in need of people to help serve meals to the youth. If you are interested in helping, you can sign up on their website at www.18south.org under the "connect" tab and "meal ministry". You can also contact them by e-mail at info@18SOUTH.org. Their summer hours are Wednesday-Saturday 6PM to 9PM. Sunday, they have a Christian Discipleship Group from 6PM to 8PM. The center is located at 17 N. Main Street Red Lion, PA 17356 just off the square in Red Lion. If you don't use e-mail or the internet, please contact Terry Bluett directly and he can help you get signed up.

This is my update for the ministry from the Missions Committee	If anyone has any questions, or if I forgot
sometime or I need to correct something, please text or email.	

Blessings to all,				
David Zurn				
Missions Chairman				

18 South "LET'S GET COOKING" UPDATE

On June 9th Chapel agreed to partner with 18 South to help the disadvantaged teenagers who are at risk in the Red Lion area. They normally do not have a place to eat dinner or be with other such teens in a structured safe environment.

It is by God's grace the following has been accomplished in less than 6 weeks:

- 1. Cake and ice cream party for the teens to kick off our partnership
- 2. Established project support from RL Giant manager
- 3. Muriel Slenker agreed to co-chair the overall 18 South partnership project with me. Couldn't ask for a better person in this position.
- 4. Chuck and Pam Vucetich have agreed to manage the "Let's get Cooking" portion of the project. This includes purchasing the food monthly and cooking and managing the kitchen. With over 500 meals being prepared each month, this is a huge job and commitment on their part. They have already proved up to the task.
- 5. A good solid cooking staff has been established
- 6. Completed application for periodic free bread and pastries from Giant and \$25 gift cards several times a year
- 7. Completed and communicated with Central Pa Food bank to establish "Soup Kitchen" for disadvantaged teenagers. Once established we would be shipped various food items for cooking and distributed to 18 South. This will greatly reduce our food costs.
- 8. The Women's Ministry purchased a wonderful beverage machine for the center
- 9. Two church members purchased a large microwave for the 18 South kitchen
- 10. Church Council approved an upgrading plan to certify our kitchen
- 11. Plans were made for safe/service certification for those cooking in the kitchen
- 12. 18 Chapel members totally cleaned 18 South from top to bottom and established a schedule to clean the center on future dates throughout the year.
- 13. With feeding large numbers of meals each week, trash became a huge problem. Especially since they are only allowed two trash cans a week. A Chapel member agreed to pick up their trash bags on an ongoing basis and taking them to the dump. This same member donated a number of cases of soda for their new machine.
- 14. The Women's Ministry, Missions and a Sunday school class paid for the \$940 food cost and \$240 worth of disposable and reusable containers needed to start and continue cooking. It should be noted the cost has been held at less than \$2.00 per meal.
- 15. Missions committed \$716 per month to help pay for our monthly scheduled cooking's
- 16. ON JULY 17 2022 CHAPEL CHURCH PREPARED AND FROZE 550 MEALS SO DISADVANTAGED TEENS CAN A GOOD MEAL FOR DINNER. THE MEALS WILL BE PICKED UP WEEKLY BY 18 SOUTH.
- 17. Cooking will be scheduled for the second Sunday each month after church.

18. Number 18 is somewhat symbolic. A representative from 18 South told me that without Chapel Church, 18 South would probably not be able to keep their doors open. That should make every Chapel member feel good and proud to be members of our wonderful church. Praise be to God.

Isn't it amazing what Chapel Christians can do in such a short period of time once they have been inspired by the Lord?

We currently have two more needs we are asking the congregation to help with to meet our commitment and goals for this year. They Are

- 1. Our "Let's get Cooking" team will be preparing meals after church the second Sunday of each month starting August the 19th. In order to maintain the same level of cooking we need an additional \$225 per month for five months If you feel led to financially help with this project, please put your donation in an envelope marked "18 South" and place it in the offering.
- 2. It is important to have the teens in contact with Chapel members from time to time. 18 South needs adults to help prep and serve the meals in the evening. You can sign up for any number of times. It can be once a year or once a week. It is easy to sign up on their website at www.18south.org. Under "connect" tab and then "meal ministry". For more information or questions contact Terry Bluett (7017 428-0275) or Muriel Slenker (717 586-3586)

When the time is right and they want to follow Jesus Christ, we will make sure they have a way to be a part of Chapel Church. In the meantime, a bunch of the kids volunteered to at the Chapel Summer Fest.

Terry Bluett

Dear Friends,

It is so uplifting to share with you about our <u>August Prayer Focus</u> which is FAMILY TIME. You may be thinking, "Hmmmm.... wonder exactly what that looks like?" Good thinking.... August is the last month before we return to "routine" events that take place and possibly the start of new agendas. But for now, we prayerfully consider how YOU best can use these days to honor God, live authentically for the Kingdom, and be at peace. I love the scripture, "God sets the lonely in families"... from Psalms 68. Lonely? Pray from your heart for "family" and believe that He so wants your loneliness to be absorbed in family and He wants to set you there!

How is FAMILY defined: It may be you as a single person family with extended family near or close by; you and your spouse; maybe your family always includes the older generation; or your family may be your closest friends; and maybe you have a full house with young children at home and still adding on! Family is who you are "planted with and blooming". We pray as a fellowship that you will savor the days of August to appreciate the outdoors, visit produce stands or your gardens often, bring a neighbor over to share the grill, stick your toe or whole body in a refreshing pool or ocean waves and actually a garden hose would work; catch some fireflies (York County says lightning bugs); eat corn on the cob as much as possible; and thank God fervently for our spectacular change of seasons.

Finally, our prayer focus is that we would hear from God about how the valuing of our families might bring unity to Chapel and help us to be in the position to receive His redemption work in each of our lives. So until we chat in the September Newsletter, prayerfully consider FAMILY TIME for yourselves and your brothers and sisters at Chapel.

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Campus Prayer Walk in September

Stay tuned in the newsletter and bulletins for the date for our Campus Prayer Walk coming up in September. Join your brothers and sisters in Christ as we stroll our buildings and grounds, lifting up the name of Jesus and proclaiming his authority and sovereignty over Chapel and all who enter our facility. It will be an opportunity to be specific about our fervent prayer for Chapel. No need for sign ups, just bless us with your willing heart!

Donate Your Loose Change to Missions

The blue/red boxes that were used to collect pennies for the Summer Fest can now be used to donate to Chapel's Mission projects. There is a box on the Welcome Center in each bldg.. Everything that is donated will go towards our Missions budget. Even though it might seem like a small thing, change adds up quickly and every dollar collected is another dollar to help a person in need.



Happy Birthday & Anniversary:

Aug 1	Brian & Linda Conner	Aug 13	Wilson & Lana Henry
Aug 3	Valerie Ludwig Day	Aug 15	Matt & Katie Logan
Aug 6	Jimmy & Nikki Fry	Aug 24	Brad & Loni Smith
Aug 8	Kevin & Christine Helmeczi	Aug 25	Clint & Christy Snyder
Aug 11	Steve & Pat Miller	Aug 26	Mike & Debi Deller



1	Bruce Bailey	15	Caden Snyder
1	Adam Schell	17	Lucas Smith
3	Sylvia smeltzer	17	Sarah smith
5	Jim Fickes	17	Gayle Wiemeyer
6	Dawn Snyder	18	Laina Angel
7	Samantha Fritz	18	Hope McKinnell
7	Linda Henry	18	Cindy Smeltzer
7	Matt Lauer	20	Elyse Kessler
7	Barry Tobias	22	Lois Orwig
8	Scott Tyson	22	Denny Slenker
8	Brett Tyson	23	Regan Koons
10	Brandy Bailey	23	Rodney Toomey
10	Alex Luckenbaugh	25	Cheryl Blessing
10	Delana Stem	26	Kelly Cromwell
10	Loretta Wagaman	27	Eileen Armstrong
11	Molly Conrad	27	Norma Boyd
11	Shirley Sides	27	Barb Forry
12	Cheryl Elliehausen	27	Angie McWilliams
13	Jimmy Fry	28	Diane Leight
14	Bertie Wallick	28	Jordan Shoff
15	Zander Albright	30	Wib Forry
15	Cheryl Everly	30	Ryan Ogurcak
		30	Amy Waltemyer

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