The Chapel in the Pines

May 14, 2023

Serving our Community by Preaching, Teaching, and Living the Gospel of Jesus Christ

The Sixth Sunday of Easter



The flowers on the Communion table this week are given by Donna Cantwell in honor of her mother Audrey Tourt on Mother's Day and in recognition of Ray Tourt's 95th birthday.

The Chiming of the Trinity

The Prelude

Concerns, Celebrations, and Prayers of our Chapel Family

The Dedication and Consecration of our Chapel Sound System (insert)

The Invocation and Lord's Prayer.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever...Amen.

A Litany for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

*The Call to Worship

How shall we love the Lord our God who has poured out such love upon us? **We shall love God with all our hearts, minds, souls, and spirit.**

How shall we demonstrate that love.

We shall live that love in all that we do, think, and say.

Let our love be genuine and holy.

Praise be to God who has loved us totally.

*Hymn #61 Lavish Love, Abundant Beauty

- 1. Lavish love, abundant beauty, Gracious gifts for heart and hand, Life that fills the soul and senses All burst forth at Your command. Lord, our Lord, Eternal Father, Great Creator, God and Friend, Boundless pow'r gave full expression To Your love which knows no end.
- 2. Who am I that You should love me, Meet my every need from birth? Why invest Yourself so fully In a creature made of earth? In Your loving heart You planned me, Fashioned me with greatest care; Through my soul You breathed Your Spirit, Planted Your own image there.
- **3.** I am Yours, Eternal Father, All my body, mind and heart. Take and use me to Your glory, From Yourself in every part. Lord, Your love brings joy and gloadness Flowing forth within my soul. May my very breath and being Rise to You, their source and goal.



*The Passing of the Peace

The grace and peace of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ be with you all... and also with you.

The Passing of the Welcome Pads

The Prayer of Illumination

Hymn #363 More Love to Thee(verse #1)
More love to Thee, O Christ, more love to Thee!
Hear Thou the prayer I make on bended knee.
This is my ear-nest plea, more love O Christ to Thee.
More love to Thee...More love to Thee!

A Reading from the Gospels John 14:15-21 "...those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Hymn #363 More Love to Thee(verse #2)
Once earth-ly joy I craved, sought peace and rest.
Now Thee a-lone I seek, give what is best.
This all my prayer shall be, more love, O Christ to Thee.
More love to Thee...More love to Thee!

Homily Being Good; A Failed Human Experiment

*Hymn #364 My Jesus, I Love Thee

- **1** My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine For Thee all the follies of sin I resign; My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.
- **2** I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree; I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.
- **3** I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath; And say when the death-dew lies cold on my brow, "If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."
- **4** In mansions of glory and endless delight, I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright; I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow, "If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."



The Prayers of the People

The Call to the Offering

The Offertory

*The Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

*The Prayer of Dedication

*The Affirmation of Faith Adapted from Acts 17:24-28

The God who made the world and everything in it is not served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, so that they would search for God, grope for him, and find him... though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For in him we live and move and have our being.

***Hymn** #529 O, How I Love Jesus

1 There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth; It sounds like music in my ear, The sweetest Name on earth.

Refrain:

O, how I love Jesus,
O, how I love Jesus,
O, how I love Jesus Because He first loved me!

2 It tells me of a Savior's love, Who died to set me free; It tells me of His precious blood, The sinner's perfect plea. **[Refrain]**

3 It tells me what my Father hath In store for ev'ry day, And, tho' I tread a darksome path, Yields sunshine all the way. **[Refrain]**

4 It tells of One whose loving heart Can feel my deepest woe, Who in each sorrow bears a part That none can bear below. [Refrain]



*The Charge and Benediction

*Hymn #363 More Love to Thee(verse #3)
Then shall my lat-est breath whis-per Thy praise.
This be the part-ing cry, my heart shall raise.
This still my prayer shall be, more love O Christ to Thee.
More love to Thee...More love to Thee!

*The Postlude



Prayers for Chapel Friends:

Patty and Jackie Madden, Jack Sealey, Phyllis Mahin, Anthony Tuliano, Janet Hegeman, Ellie Lyons, Evangeline Caliandro, Laurie Stevens, Little Daniel Auman, Koran Sanders, Cami Thistles, Mary Faas, Macey Duncan, Olivia Mcdonald, Lerici Racine, Jamie Raskin, Joe Currie, Kevin Carter, Sharon Thomas, Neida Crow, Kerra Paduano, Abbe Theodore, Harry Wahlquist, Walter Hundley, Scott Olson, Norma McKeithan, Irene Klein, Esther Robinson's sister Judy, Cindy Hess, Nell Ostby, Bob Macdonald, the family of Vance

Lowe, the family and friends of Paul Simonovitch, Rev. Bill and Marty Bruner, Elsie Keeshen, Wink Hilliard, Faye and Dwight Jessup, the people of Ukraine and Syria, the people of East Palestine Ohio, and the people devastated by tornados in the south.

Prayers for Chapel Family:

Bud Holzerland, Nancee Letter, Dave Westerman, Joan Tourt, Meta Evans, Charles Hinson, Tamara Lee, Butch and Mary Kay Allen, George Hoffman, Esther Robinson, Glenda Clendenin, Peggy Olson, Jon Tichenor, Jane and Jeff Lowe.

Altar Flowers



May Announcements

Wednesday-May 17 Sunday-May 21 Tuesday-May 23

Bob Dantzer Barbara True Jane Lowe

Rev. Paul & Julie James

Saturday-May 27

May **5-21** Carole Faas 5-28 Volunteer Needed

<u>June</u>





Looking Ahead!

Monday-May 15	11:00 am	Chapel Board Meeting
Wednesday-May 17	5:30 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday-May 18	5:30 pm	The Gathering—
		The Ascension of the Lord
Sunday-May 21	9:00 am	7th Sunday of Easter
Monday-May 22	6:30 pm	Bunco Camp
Wednesday-May 24	5:30 pm	Choir Practice
Sunday-May 28	9:00 am	Pentecost
	Covered Dish Brunch	
Wednesday-May 31	5:30 pm	Choir Practice
Sunday-June 4	9:00 am	Trinity Sunday
Thursday-June 8	2:30 pm	Fran's Friends
Sunday-June 11	9:00 am	7th Sunday of Easter
Saturday-June 13	8:00 am	Men's Fellowship

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May

5-21 Chris and Jim Beck 5-28 Covered Dish Brunch

June

6-6 **Volunteer Needed** 6-11 Volunteer Needed

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The Dedication and Consecration of our Chapel Sound System

Sunday, May 14, 2023

Opening Scripture

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. (James 1:17)

A Responsive Prayer of Thanksgiving

Here in this place of worship we gather in the name of God, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. Here we dedicate this sound system equipment to the service of God and to the benefit of all who worship here.

Creating and Re-Creating God, we give thanks for the gifts of all who have gone before us. We give thanks for all who are here now, generously giving of their time, talents, and treasure. We give thanks for the promise of gifts that have yet to be shared. **We pause to remember**

all those who have given gifts in memory of loved ones who are now with you in heaven, but most especially those who have given gifts in memory of our Sister in faith, Gerry Moss.

Today we give thanks that because of those memorials we can enrich the life of this faith community. May this upgraded sound system help to offer all who are a part of this Chapel, whether in sanctuary or online, a fuller and clearer worship experience.

And may we be encouraged to raise our voices in praise and thanksgiving in response to hearing clearly and accurately insights into God's promise, God's hope, and God's love. Amen.



On behalf of my family, Mom's good friend Barbara Freeze, and all who made gifts to this Chapel in memory of my Mother, we present this sound system equipment to be dedicated and consecrated to the glory of almighty God and for service to this congregation in loving memory of our friend and loved one, Gerry Moss.

A Litany of Acceptance. George Norman, President of the Board

On behalf of the people of the Chapel, I gladly receive this gift, given in memory of one of our own, Gerry Moss and declare it to be set apart for use in this holy and sacred place.

We receive it as another sign of God's goodness made manifest, and we dedicate it to the glory of God.

Ever present God,

you have been with us throughout our Chapel's forty-six years. You have lavished gifts on us like a parent to a child.

As we have gathered to receive this gift, may we be reminded of your kindness to us and to all creation. May we be inspired again to cooperate in your generosity and become gifts of your love to the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Prayer of Dedication and Consecration

Almighty God,

from times past, you have lavished gifts on your people.
You even gave of yourself, leaving the glories of heaven to walk among us.
You have shown your love over and over
and so we have experienced your glory in tangible ways.

Today, we received this gift in memory of Gerry Moss and we dedicate and consecrate it to your glory.

In accepting it, as a demonstration of your kindness, we affirm that it is yours, as we are yours. May who we are and all we have be devoted to your service as we remember Gerry.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit...Amen





Chapel Roof Update and Pledge Campaign

As you all are aware we will be replacing the roof on the entire building in the middle of June. This is necessary due to the age of the Chapel roof and the number of small leaks that continue to pop up causing costly repairs.

We will be putting on a black METAL roof that will be warrantied for over 40 years. The total cost of the job is \$57,750.

As I announce we have approximately \$33,000 in previous roof donations and memorials going toward the roof. As you can see we are in need of additional funding. The appeal I put out two weeks ago has generated a little over \$6,000 in new donations toward this project, bringing the total to \$39,000, or 67.5% of our goal.

The Board wants to thank each of you that have made the donations.

To make a Pledge to this program. Please use the space below to indicate amount of Pledge and number of payments.

Name:	
	Amount of Pledge \$
	Number of payments

(IMPORTANT: Please note on checks that offering if for "ROOF")

We will be running this campaign through June. Please place special giving in an offering envelope and make sure to specify for "ROOF".

We appreciate all your dedication and financial support.

Thank you,

George Norman - Board President



The Gathering The Ascension of the Lord Thursday, May 18th at 5:30 p.m.

The Gathering is an informal time of "Gathering" together in fellowship with our Chapel Friends. Occasions for fun and fellowship with friends are great times to invite others to come and join. Please feel free to invite your friends or new members of the community to come and join in fellowship with us on Thursday, May 18th at 5:30 p.m.

The Worship Team will be hosting dinner at The Gathering on Thursday, May 18th and request that you please make reservations for you and your guests no later than Tuesday, May 16th by noon. Reservations will allow the Worship Team to prepare enough for all who are planning to attend our fellowship on Thursday, May 18th.

<u>Menu</u> Spaghetti Salad Bread Desert

Dinner will be followed by worship service celebrating The Ascension of the Lord and holy communion complete with choir.

Reservations:

Call (910) 400-5188

Email: citp10@7lakeschaple.com



Monday, May 22, 2023 6:30 p.m.

Thanks to all who have signed up to play Bunco!

Come Join us on Monday, May 22, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. to learn how to play Bunco!!

For Questions: Call Tracey Olsen (704) 604-7930 or Laura Beth Urie (910) 610-3380