The Chapel in the Pines

## November 17, 2024

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

Forty-Eighth Anniversary of the Chapel in the Pines



The flowers on the Communion table this week are given to the Glory of God by Mike and Sue Barry in remembrance of their son Norm's birthday.

**Gathering Music** 

The Chiming of the Trinity

**The Prelude** 

The Concerns, Celebrations, and Prayers of our Chapel Family

### The Invocation

#### \*The Call to Worship

Bless the Lord who counsels and guides us. Because we keep the Lord ever before us, we shall not be moved.

Rejoice! Let your hearts be glad! Let your spirits rejoice and your bodies rest secure. For God does not give us up to death, but shows us the path of life.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

#### \*The Psalm of Thanksgiving and Praise

Adapted from Psalm 16

I told you, Eternal One, "You are my Lord,

for the only good I know in this world is found in you alone." You, Eternal One, are my sustenance and my life-giving cup. In that cup, you hold my future and my eternal riches.

I will bless the Lord,

whose wise teaching orchestrates my days and centers my mind at night. God is ever present with me; at all times the Lord goes before me. I will not live in fear or abandon my calling because God stands at my right hand.

This is a good life my heart is glad, my soul is full of joy, and my body is at rest. Who could want for more? You direct me on the path that leads to a beautiful life. As I walk with you, the pleasures are never-ending, and I know true joy and contentment.

**\*Hymn** #2 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

1 Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above; Praise His name - I'm fixed upon it -Name of God's redeeming love.

- 2 Hitherto Thy love has blest me; Thou hast bro't me to this place; And I know Thy hand will bring me Safely home by thy good grace. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, Bought me with His precious blood.
- **3** O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee: Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.

Amen.

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 Call to Confession

**The Prayer of Confession** 

Rock of Salvation, you give children to the barren and strength to the feeble; you exalt the poor and lift up the needy. We praise your holy name from morning to night, yet we build walls that separate us: from you, from one another, from the world, even from ourselves. We place stumbling blocks in the way of goodness and truth. We are led astray by promises of earthly treasure. We confess our fallibility and seek solace in the holy source of our joy. Teach us to pray and praise without pause, confessing hope ceaselessly. Guide us in our efforts to encourage one another, to work together for good in the world, and to prepare for the day of the Lord...

### The Declaration of Forgiveness

\*Hymn #382 Be Thou My Vision

- 1 Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art -Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
- **2** Be thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
- **3** Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.
- **4** High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Amen.

### The Prayer of Illumination

**A Reading from the Epistles** Hebrews 10:11-25 *"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."* 

### The Choir's Anthem

**Homily** Get Busy Living

#### The Prayers of the People

Celebrating the 48th Anniversary of the Chapel

#### The 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 that 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

**\*Hymn** #234 Crown Him with Many Crowns

- Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne: Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own! Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And hail Him as thy matchless King Thru all eternity.
- 2 Crown Him the Lord of love: Behold His hands and side -Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified. No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight, But downward bends his wond'ring eye At mysteries so bright.
- **3** Crown Him the Lord of life: Who triumphed o'er the grave, Who rose victorious to the strife For those He came to save. His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.

**4** Crown Him the Lord of heav'n: One with the Father known, One with the Spirit thru Him given From yonder glorious throne. To Thee be endless praise, For Thou for us hast died; Be Thou, O Lord, thru endless days Adored and magnified.

Amen.

\*The Charge and Benediction

#### \*The Choral Benediction

#### \*The Postlude





AND AS WE DRAW NEAR TO GOD, THAT RELATIONSHIP WILL NECESSARILY EXPRESS ITSELF IN OUR ENDURING RELATIONSHIPS WITH ONE ANOTHER.





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## **Prayers for Chapel Friends:**



Patty and Jack Madden, Judy Karp, Phil Westerman, Nancy Cecchini, Phyllis Mahin, Gerry Crow, Holli Schweyher, Rev. Gary Sawtelle, David Tourt, Baby Owen Daniels, Roger Racster, Walter Hundley, Janet Hegeman, Jean Schmidt, Rev. Bill and Marty Bruner, Dick Barry, Jackie White, My Paul Infuso, Noah Presley, Tom Early, Cindy Hess, Lyn Garbarino, Jim Jak to Aim! Robinson, Carol Dunn, Mary Faas, Dapte Jay Kirit, Dwight and Faye Jessup, Baby Kendrick Goins, George Restrepo, Cathy Pope, Gary McCaskill, the family of Ralph Cole, and the family of Tammy Owens.

## **Prayers for Chapel Family:**

Rev. Charles Hinson, Bud Holzerland, Dave Westerman, Butch & Mary Kay Allen, Glenda and Jo Clendenin, Mary Tuft, Phil Thingstad, Jane and Jeff Lowe, Marilyn & Jimmy McCaskill, Mama Dot, Mary Willetts, Peggy Olsen, Bob Tourt, Lee Connelly, Kathy Steele, Shirley Percival.

### November-December Announcements

## Looking Ahead!

Sunday-November 17	9:00 am	Forty-Eighth Anniversary of the Chapel	
	Churchwide Covered Brunch		
Sunday-November 24	9:00 am	Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday	
Thursday-November 28	ΗΑΡΡΥ ΤΗ		
Sunday-December 1	9:00 am	The First Sunday of Advent	
-	1:30 pm	Movie "A Christmas Carol" with George C. Scott	
	3:30 pm	Advent Afternoons – The Redemption of Scrooge	
Wednesday-December 4	3:00 pm	Fran's Friends	
	4:00 pm	Chapel Choir Practice	
	4:30 pm	Christmas Cantata Practice	
Thursday-December 5	4:00 pm	Darkness to Light Service	

## Coffee Fellowship



## November

- 11-17 John & Jane Geanes
- 11-24 Mary Snead

## December

- **12 1** Marilyn & Jimmy McCaskill
- **12 8** Volunteer Needed
- 12-15 Sue Dell'Acqua & Helen Scholl
- 12-22 Volunteer Needed
- 12-29 Volunteer Needed

## Altar Flowers

### November

**11-17** Mike & Sue Barry 11-24 Mary Snead

## December

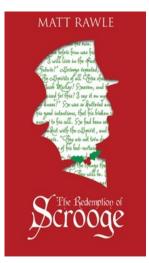
- **12-1** Fred Young
- 12-5 Volunteer Needed
- 12-8 Volunteer Needed
- **12-15** Lydia Litteral
- **12-22** Alice McPheeters



## <u>Bírthdays</u>



Monday, November 18 Pat Dantzer



## *The Redemption of Scrooge;* Advent Afternoons - 2024

The *Redemption of Scrooge*, based on Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* will explore the world of Ebenezer Scrooge, Tiny Tim, and the Cratchit family with an eye to Christian faith. Along the way we will meet the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present, and Yet to Come and learn about living with and for others in a world blessed by Jesus.

**December 1 1:30** A Christmas Carol starring George C. Scott Those attending *The Redemption of Scrooge* Bible Study will invite the entire congregation to a showing of this iconic movie. Popcorn and fellowship will be free of charge.

**December 1 3:30** The Redemption of Scrooge, Session #1 Bah! Humbug!

- **December 8 3:30** The Redemption of Scrooge, Session #2 The Remembrance of Christmas Past
- **December 15 3:30** The Redemption of Scrooge, Session #3 The Life of Christmas Present
- **December 22 3:30** The Redemption of Scrooge, Session #4 The Hope of Christmas Future

The Bible study sessions will be completed in 75 minutes. Please register for the course no later than November 17th by filling out this form and dropping it in the collection plate or calling Susan in the Chapel office (910) 400-5188. A donation of \$20.00 to cover the costs of your text and the teaching supplies is requested but not mandatory.

"In *The Redemption of Scrooge* we will examine Dickens' classic novel and make connections between the story of Ebenezer Scrooge and the stories that Christians tell during the Advent and Christmas seasons. Pastor, author, and international speaker, Matt Rawle will help us draw from the past, present, and future important truths about brokenness and redemption and how these truths intertwine with the Advent themes of peace, hope, love, and joy.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



## The Chapel in the Pines Advent Schedule for 2024





<b>Sunday, December 1</b> Worship on the First Sunday of Advent - Hope Advent Daily Devotions begin by email	9:00
The Redemption of Scrooge Bible Study invites the congregation to the showing of the 1984 film version of <i>A Christmas Carol.</i> Popcorn and Fellowship are free for all.	1:30
The Redemption of Scrooge Bible Study Session #1 - <i>Bah! Humbug!</i>	3:30
<b>Thursday, December 5</b> A Service of Darkness to Light with Holy Communion Followed by a Soup, Bread, and Dessert Covered-Dish Supper	4:00
Sunday, December 8 Worship on the Second Sunday of Advent - Peace	9:00
The Redemption of Scrooge Bible Study Session #2 - The Remembrance of Christmas Past	3:30
<b>Sunday, December 15</b> Worship on the Third Sunday of Advent - Joy Holy Communion	9:00
The Redemption of Scrooge Bible Study Session #3 - The Life of Christmas Present	3:30
<b>Saturday, December 21</b> Christmas Cantata - <i>Beautiful Star</i> - Chapel in the Pines	3:30
Sunday, December 22 Worship on the Fourth Sunday of Advent - Love	9:00
The Redemption of Scrooge Bible Study Session #4 - The Hope of Christmas Future	3:30
Christmas Cantata - Beautiful Star - Bensalem Presbyterian	6:00
Tuesday, December 24 A Christmas Eve Service of Carols, Candles, and Communion	4:00

