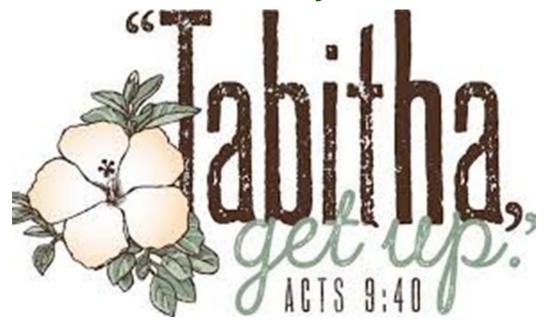
The Chapel in the Pines

May 11, 2025

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

The Fourth Sunday of Easter



The flowers on the Communion table this week are given to the Glory of God by Rick Moss in loving memory of his mother, Gerry and in honor of Mother's Day.

Gathering Music

The Chiming of the Trinity

The Prelude

The Concerns, Celebrations, and Prayers of our Chapel Family

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.

*The Call to Worship

Selah

God is our shepherd. We can depend on God. **God brings us hope and peace.**

Selah

Through trials and tribulations, God continually provides abundantly for us. **Even when we doubt and turn away, God is constant in God's faithful love.**

Selah

God's love continually flows through our lives.

In the midst of the multitude,
we will praise God in song, worship, and service.

*Hymn #462 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

- 1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us, Much we need Thy tender care; In Thy pleasant pastures feed us, For our use Thy folds prepare: Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.
- 2 We are Thine; do Thou befriend us, Be the Guardian of our way; Keep Thy flock, from sin defend us, Seek us when we go astray: Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear, O hear us when we pray; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear, O hear us when we pray.
- 3 Thou hast promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be; Thou hast mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free: Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Early let us turn to Thee; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Early let us turn to Thee.
- 4 Early let us seek Thy favor; Early let us do Thy will; Blessed Lord and only Savior, With Thy love our beings fill: Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast loved us, love us still; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast loved us, love us still.

*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 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 Psalm of Thanksgiving and Praise

Adapted from Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, God cares for me always. God provides me rest in rich, green fields beside streams of refreshing water. The Lord soothes my fears.

God makes me whole again, steering me off worn, hard paths to roads where truth and righteousness echo God's name. Even in the unending shadow of death's darkness, I am not overcome by fear. Because you are with me in those dark moments, near with your protection and guidance. I am comforted.

You spread out a table before me, provisions in the midst of attack from my enemies. You care for all my needs, anointing my head with soothing, fragrant oil, filling my cup again and again with your grace.

Surely your faithful protection and loving provision will pursue me where I go...always...everywhere.

I will at all times be with the Eternal, in your house forever.

*Hymn # 45 Surely Goodness and Mercy

1 A pilgrim was I, and a wand'ring
In the cold night of sin I did roam
When Jesus the kind Shepherd found me
And now I am on my way home.

Refrain

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days, all the days of my life; Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days, all the days of my life.

- 2 He restoreth my soul when I'm weary. He giveth me strength day by day; He leads me beside the still waters, He guards me each step of the way. [Refrain]
- **3** When I walk thru the dark lonesome valley, My Savior will walk with me there; And safely His great hand will lead me To the mansions He's gone to prepare. [**Refrain**]

The Prayer of Illumination

A Reading from the Gospels John 10:22-30 "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."

The Choir's Anthem

A Reading from the Acts of the ApostlesActs 9:36-42

Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive.

This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

Homily Let's Not Wait!

The Prayers of the People

*The Affirmation of Faith Adapted from Revelation 7

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?"

I said to him,
"Sir, these are they who have come out of the great ordeal;
they have washed their robes
and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life..."

*Hymn #468 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

- 1 The King of Love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am His And He is mine forever.
- **2** Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul He leadeth, And where the verdant pastures grow With food celestial feedeth.
- **3** Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love He sought me, And on His shoulder gently laid, And home rejoicing bro't me.
- **4** In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear Lord, beside me; Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.
- **5** And so thru all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never: Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever.

Amen.

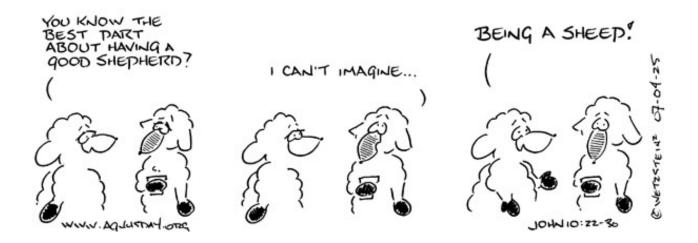
*The Charge and Benediction

*The Congregational Choral Response #358 I Am Thine O Lord (verse 1)

I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice, and it told thy love to me.
But I long to rise in the arms of faith and be clos-er drawn to Thee.

Draw me near-er, near-er, bless-ed Lord, to the cross where Thou hast died. Draw me near-er, near-er, near-er bless-ed Lord, to Thy precious, bleeding side.

*The Postlude



Prayers for Chapel Friends:

Hear Our Prayers

Patty and Jack Madden, Judy Karp, Phil Westerman, Nancy Cecchini, Phyllis Mahin, Gerry Crow, Roger Racster, Walter Hundley, Janet Hegeman, Jean Schmidt, Rev. Bill and Marty Bruner, Dick Barry, Jackie White, Noah Presley, Tom Early, Cindy Hess, Lyn Garbarino, Jim Robinson, Carol Dunn, Mary Faas, Dapte Jay Kirit, Dwight and Faye Jessup, Baby Kendrick Goins, George Restrepo, Cathy Pope, Maggie Craft, Rev. Harry Bronkar, Norma McKeithan, Charlie and Margo Talkowski, Ann Grunke, Jose Shavek, Amy Klein, Adrian Cimek, Sally Conlon, Andy Mark, Sidney Ruffin, Cindy Dabestani, Richard Von Schilichten, Elizabeth Comfort, Linda Stow, Sue LaPoint,

David Tourt, Johnathan McCaskill, Joel Lawrence, Mary Farley, Pete and Magda Sonderfan.

Prayers for Chapel Family:

Rev. Charles Hinson, Bud Holzerland, Dave Westerman, Butch & Mary Kay Allen, Mary Tuft, Phil Thingstad, Mama Dot, Mary Willetts, Bob Tourt, Lee Connelly, Kathy Steele, Peggy Olson, Sue Van Horne, Jimmy McCaskill, Bart and Peggy Reuter, Jane and Jeff Lowe, Paul Infuso, Glenda and Joe Clendenin, Jon Tichenor, Shirley Percival, Ralph Olsen, Pat Griffin, Winnie Fischer, Jean Lawrence, and Jim Kessler and his family on the death of his mother Audrey Kessler.

May Announcements

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<u>Looking Ahead!</u>	-			
Sunday—May 11	9:00 am	Fourth Sunday of Easter		
Happy Mother's Day! Mother's Day				
Tuesday—May 13	6:00 pm	Bunco4Missions		
Wednesday—May 14	9:00-12	Preschool in the Pines Graduation		
Wednesday—May 14	4:30 pm	Chapel Choir		
Sunday—May 18	9:00 am	Fifth Sunday of Easter		
		Holy Communion		
Wednesday—May 21	4:30 pm	Chapel Choir		
Friday—May 23	12:30-5:00	Bloodmobile Onsite		
Give the Gift of Life—Donate Blood - Register at redcrossblood.org				
Sunday—25	9:00 am	Sixth Sunday of Easter		
Wednesday-28	4:30 pm	Chapel Choir		
Thursday—29	5:00 pm	The Gathering—Ascension of the Lord		
		Holy Communion		

Coffee Fellowship

<u>Coffee Fellowship</u>		<u> Altar Flowers</u>	
<u>May</u>	Streambourg Sunday	<u>May</u>	
5-11	Strawberry Sunday	5-4	John Caggiano
5-18	Sue Dell'Acqua & Helen Scholl	5-11	Rick Moss
5-25	Volunteer Needed	5-18	Carole Faas
<u>June</u>		5-25	Volunteer Needed
6-1	Jimmy & Marilyn McCaskill		
6-8	Volunteer Needed		





Thursday 5-8 Connie Ambrosio Saturday 5-10 Ray Tourt

Saturday 5-10 Dick Van Horne Saturday 5-10 Marilyn McCaskill



Save the Date Fríday, May 23rd

Bloodmobile will be onsite on May 23rd 12:30-5:00

Give the Gift of Life—Donate Blood!

Preregistration Required

To register go to **redcrossblood.org**

You can also download the Blood Donor App in the Apple or

Android store—Look for:

Blood Donor App in the Apple store

OR

Blood Donor American Red Cross in the Android Store



Announcing
The First Gathering
of 2025

Thursday
May 29th @ 5 p.m.

The Worship Team has scheduled the first Gathering of 2025 to be held on **Thursday, May 29th, at 5:00**. The meal will be cookout fare supplied by the culinary expertise of the Chapel Men's Fellowship. The worship service to follow will include the Sacrament of Holy Communion and will be a celebration of the Ascension of our Lord as found in the Gospel of Luke 24"44-53...

"Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy..." - Luke 24:50-52

Reservations for this event **must be made** by calling/emailing Susan in the Chapel office **prior to May 23rd**. Don't forget to invite your friends and neighbors and add them to your reservation as well.

Phone: 910-400-5188 Email: citp10@7lakeschapel.com



A New Small Group And

You are invited...

And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

- Hebrews 10:24-25

Because of the enthusiasm surrounding and the incredible level of participation in our Lenten Bible study, *The Final Days*, discussion arose as to forming a new and ongoing small group for study and fellowship. You are invited to an organizational meeting to determine the direction of this group, to explore the preferred day and time of its gatherings, to discuss possible resource materials, and to determine the frequency it will meet.

The meeting has been scheduled for **Thursday, May 15th, at 3:30** in the Chapel fellowship hall. We encourage you to come with all your suggestions and ideas for the future of this small group, to add your voice to its development, and to hear from others who are excited about the possibilities.

If you are unable to attend on May 15th but are interested in being a part of a small group, please let Susan know in the Chapel office. (910) 400-5188 or citp10@7lakeschapel.com

Back Pack Pals and Matthew 25:40 Programs

Summer School Break is approaching and We Need Your Help—Our Programs Run Year-A-Round Please Donate as Often As You Can!

Juice Boxes, any flavor
Pop Tarts, any flavor
Peanut Butter/Cheese Crackers

Capri Sun Juices, any flavor
Pop Tarts, any flavor
Chef Boyardee Micro Cups,
in yellow and red
Small Water Bottles
Protein Bars, all flavors



