



Chapel Chatter

Monthly Newsletter

Long's Chapel United Methodist Church

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Mon.-Thurs. 8:30-5:00 pm; & Fri. 8:30 am-noon



This month we welcome Rev. Chris Westmoreland and his lovely family, wife Kristin, Drew, 16, Abby, 13, and Cameron, 9. Be sure to say hello and introduce yourselves when you see the Westmorelands. It's a wonderful new season for Long's Chapel!

"I love to help people deepen their relationship with God and am very passionate about leading the church in a way that renews and supports the surrounding community. I am excited to hear that Long's Chapel already serves in this way. As I step into this new role, I look forward to embracing the church's mission to love God, love people and live sent."

-Pastor Chris



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Q&A with Pastor Chris

Q: Where did you grow up?

A: Thomasville, NC

Q: What's your educational background?

A: UNC Charlotte for undergraduate, then Duke Divinity School.

Q: What's your pastoral background?

A: Associate pastor and youth ministry work while at Duke; first lead pastor role was at Clyde Central United Methodist from 1998 to 2004 then at Assurance United Methodist near Charlotte for the past 12 years.

Q: What do you like about Haywood County?

A: Genuine people, awesome scenery, adventurous forest, beautiful weather and small-town feel.

Q: What are some of your hobbies?

A: Spending time with the family, running, traveling, golf, basketball and hiking.

Q: What's your new email?

A: chris@longschapel.com

Cross Ties



I will never forget one of the first interviews I ever went to for a new job. I got the job but it was clearly not because of this moment in the interview. The supervisor asked me, "So, tell me about a time when you initiated a change." I remember as if it were yesterday saying, "I don't like change and I avoid it all costs." To which he said, "Just for future reference, you don't ever want to say that in an interview ever again." I appreciated the coaching but at the time, what I said was true. I didn't like change - I saw it as all loss and no gain. And I didn't like the unknown because it seems scary and dangerous. Thank God I now see change as the only constant, next to God.

I'm curious about the emotions that we get when we begin something new. There is some grief around the fact that most of us don't like change and we have anxiety about the new. There is some excitement that those things that we didn't like or the things we have struggled to accept might change with the transition that is right in front of us. Truth is we bring some healthy expectations to change and sometimes some unhealthy expectations. But here's the best expectation: The Bible begins, "In the Beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. . ." In the beginning was God and God is also in all of our new beginnings.

"Isn't it nice to think that tomorrow is a new day with no mistakes in it yet?"
— **L.M. Montgomery**

I love newness. I love the smell of a new car. I love the smell of new carpet. I love to use new pots and pans. I love to be the first to use the new tube of toothpaste. I love to wear a new shirt (after it's been washed once). There is a natural excitement that comes with the clean slate and the undetermined future. Where we can get excited about what could be.

"That morning he feels fresh-scrubbed and cleansed, as if he is being given yet another opportunity to live his life correctly."
— **Hanya Yanagihara, A Little Life**

At its core, our faith is about new beginnings. It's about death turning into resurrection. It's about God as Alpha and Omega, beginning and end. It's about "new are your mercies every morning, O God" the Psalmist cries out in praise to a God of new opportunities. We serve a God, who in Jesus, offers redemption. And what is redemption if it is not another chance to get it right. Another chance to learn from where we have been to embrace the direction God is calling us to go.

"The future begins today."
— **Wayne Gerard Trotman**

"Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."
— **Mahatma Gandhi**

Wisdom is to be valued and "the past" is to be learned from and honored. But embedded in every ending, is a new beginning and we certainly follow a God of new beginnings. What if we combined the power of "now" and the opportunity of new beginnings and asked God to bless this time, transition and season? That in the midst of a transition of pastors that you didn't ask for and probably didn't want - that we could pray for Chuck and the blessing he's been, for 9 years, to this church and community. What if we could celebrate Chuck getting to minister to a new group of people and a new community that will be blessed by his gifts? And what if. . . we could embrace the future unafraid because the Scriptures remind us that our God is so present and works so well in the "gaps"! Not because God is anymore present there but because it's in the gaps in life where we best learn how to trust Him.

"And he who was seated on the throne said, 'Behold, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.'"
-John quoting Jesus in Revelation

Love God, Love People, Live Sent,

Chris Westmoreland
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WELCOME TO JULY, LONG'S CHAPEL!

Summertime is in full swing! June was hopping around here with all types of activities from celebrating and saying farewell to Chuck and Karen to Vacation Bible School to youth retreats to summer speakers to local and global missions. July is no different! This month we say hello to our new pastor, Rev. Chris Westmoreland, and his wonderful family. There are all types of exciting events and changes happening within the life and ministry of Long's Chapel. We hope to see all of you this month not only in worship but also in our community and the world taking on our church-wide mission of living sent.



Join Us to Welcome the Westmoreland Family!

What: Meet & Greet Pounding Party

Where: Long's Chapel Fellowship Hall

When: Sunday, July 10, at 3 pm

Contact: Sandy Breitmeier at svb1976@att.net



*If you would like to participate in the pounding, suggested items are trash bags, paper products, non-perishable food items, etc.

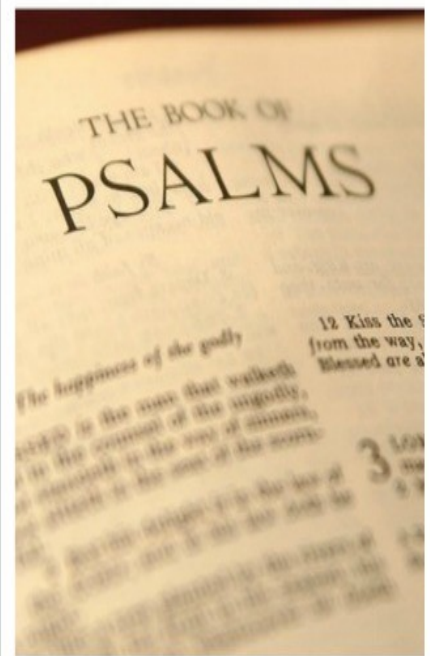


The Book of Psalms has served as the worship manual for God's people for more than 2,500 years. Everything we need to know about a lifestyle of praise and adoration is addressed in this special book of the Bible. Join us for a class that studies 150 psalms. Each week we will focus on the significance and meaning of an individual psalm.

When: Monday mornings at 10:00 am

Where: Room #210

Contact: Denise Look at deniselook@gmail.com for more information



Join Long's Chapel for our Annual **JULY 4TH CELEBRATION**

With...

Food, live bluegrass band, water slide/bounce house & obstacle course (for adults too) & don't forget...

We have the best place to watch **FIREWORKS in the county!**

Bring a folding chair and towels/dry clothes!! Everything is free except food!

July Calendar of Events

Weekly Repeats

Sundays

- 8:20, 9:40 & 11:00 Adult Sunday school (8:20 & 11:00: Children's Church #309; 9:40: children's Sunday school classes; youth UG)
- 8:20 AM Contemporary Worship Sanct (Children's message at 8:20)
- 9:40 AM Contemporary Worship Sanct/Venue
- 11:00 AM Traditional Worship Sanct
- 11:00 AM Disciple's Path class #503 (begins 7/10)

Mondays (not on 7/4)

- 9:30 AM Intercessory Prayer group #204
- 10:00 AM Women's Psalms Bible study #210
- 5:00 PM Building Committee mtg #505

Tuesdays

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible study #101
- 10:00 AM Holistic Health (Body, Mind, Spirit) #202 (ends 7/12)
- 12:30 PM Pure in Heart Arts/Crafts/Comp Ed class #102/5
- 5:30 PM JCreek Ladies Bible study (off campus)
- 6:00 PM Spirit Bldrs Men's grp #210

Wednesdays

- 6:15 PM Bell Choir rehrsl Bell Room

Thursdays

- 10:00 AM Knitting Ministry #210
- 6:30 PM Praise Band Rehrsl Sanct

Fridays

- 10:00 AM Stretching Your Faith Yoga class #505
- 7:30 PM Fresh Start NA Mtg. #210

Sun., July 3

- 3:00 PM Summer Music Series piano concert Sanct

Mon., July 4

CEC & Church Office closed

- 6:00 PM July 4th Celebration - on grounds

Tues., July 5

- 5:00 PM Nominations Comm mtg #503
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts #101/102/5/8

Wed., July 6

- 4:00 PM Prison Min card writing #101
- 6:15 PM Conversations of Hurt & Hope #210
- 7:30 PM Choir rehrsl #413

Thurs., July 7

- 7:00 AM Haywd Co Men's Brkfst Terrace Hotel
- 7:00 PM Compassionate Friends mtg #210

Sun., July 10

- 3:00 PM Westmoreland Welcome & Pounding #101

Mon., July 11

- 10:30 AM Movies for Missions #101
- 6:00 PM Children's Min mtg #502
- 6:00 PM Eve Link mtg #503

Tues., July 12

- 7:00 AM-Noon Red Cross Blood Drive #101
- 3:00-8:00 PM Red Cross Blood Drive #101
- 5:00 PM CPR Training #505
- 6:30 PM YA Desn Tm mtg #503

Wed., July 13

- 10:00 AM UMW YES Link #210
- 4:30 PM Stewardship mtg #503

Thurs., July 14

- 5:30 PM Haywd Habitat Homeowner Info mtg #505

Sat., July 16

- 5:00 PM Parents Night Out Children's Area

Mon., July 18

- 10:30 AM Movies for Missions #101

Tues., July 19

- 6:30 PM Church Council mtg #505
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts #101/102/5/8

Wed., July 20

- 1:00 PM Christian Writers Fellowship mtg #210
- 5:30 PM Steering Tm mtg #503

Thurs., July 21

- 12:00 PM Fancy Free #101

Sun., July 24

- 2:00 PM UMW Exec mtg #210

Mon., July 25

- 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Arts Camp Venue/101/2/5/8

Tues., July 26

- 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Arts Camp Venue/101/2/5/8
- 2:30 PM DOC small grp mtg #210
- 5:00 PM First Aid Training #505

Wed., July 27

- 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Arts Camp Venue/101/2/5/8

Thurs., July 28

- 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Arts Camp Venue/101/2/5/8

Volunteer Spotlight

Norene Bollinger

Norene has been volunteering at Long's Chapel for 10 years. She and her husband, Phil, are integral and valued members of the Long's Chapel community. They have been married for almost 58 years and have three children, Greg, Joan, and Claudia and three granddaughters, Gina, Shelby, and Savanna. Learn a little more about Norene by reading the Volunteer Spotlight Q & A below and if you see Norene, be sure to say hello and thank her for her valued service!

◇ **What brought you to Long's Chapel originally?**

I originally came to Long's Chapel in January 1988 when I moved from Florida. My husband, Phil, was already attending while building our new home. In February 1993 we left to attend Crabtree UMC in our community. But in 2005 we felt the call to return to Long's Chapel and we plan on staying.

◇ **What type of volunteering do you do?**

Each week four of us gather to count and categorize all the income of the church from the previous week. The other three are Lillian Howard, Beverly Lantz, and Bob Christian. We work as a team.

◇ **What does it mean to you to offer your skills and service to Long's Chapel?**

I was a bookkeeper for over 30 years of my life. I was employed by Dr. James Gills/St. Luke's Cataract Institute in Tarpon Springs, Florida for 14 years. Then I was an employee of Lake Junaluska Assembly for 16 1/2 years. I retired in 2004 and volunteering as a counter gives me the opportunity to use some of my skills on a weekly basis.

◇ **In what other ways are you involved in the church community?**

Phil and I are members of the Chancel Choir and have previously played in the hand bells. We have been choir members for over 15 years at Long's Chapel. We are communion stewards each month for the 11:00 service.



"Norene's professionalism and experience in this field has made her an indispensable asset to not only myself as Finance Manager but to the entire counting team and the church as a whole. Norene can be depended on week in and week out and makes herself available any other time I may need her. She always arrives with a smile, and her bubbly personality and sense of humor make her a joy to be around. Our weekly offerings are in good hands with Norene and her team."

-Lynnette Baez, Long's Chapel Financial Manager

MISSIONS



In the month of July, we will be collecting school supplies, which are so very important because in many third-world countries children are not allowed to go to school without supplies. These children are hungry for an education so we need school supplies in every shoe box. Items should include pencils, pencil sharpeners, crayons and paper. Please note that composition books and composition paper will not lay flat in a shoe box, so look for smaller tablets that fit. As always, call the Jarrells at 246-0331 if you need help or have questions.

BIG CHANGES - Operation Christmas Child has informed us that the receiving countries where shoe boxes are delivered are increasingly having customs issues with toothpaste and candy so as of next year, these items will not be allowed. Because of this, we are starting a year early with the items for our Packing Party shoe boxes and will not collect these two items as a church. If you would like further clarification about this change, feel free to contact the Jarrells.

Habitat House Update

The Methodist Build Habitat house on Davis Cove Rd. is dried-in and roofed; some windows are installed and the exterior foam board is up with house wrap to follow. Most of the interior framing is complete, the plumbing and electrical installations are well underway. We just welcomed a new Habitat construction manager, Ryan Newell, an experienced Waynesville custom home builder. Volunteer response is good but there will always be room for more Long's Chapelers. We're having fun and all are welcome. As always, the Habitat volunteers appreciate all of you who have brought meals to the home site or have contributed meal money. We thank you for the lunches and cherish your prayerful support.



Get involved with Missions!

Have you always wanted to get more involved with mission work but aren't sure where to start? Join us for our monthly meetings to get more information.

Who: Anyone who wants to be involved in mission work

What: Missions Committee Meetings

When: First Tues. of the month at 6 pm (NO July mtg)

Where: Modular Room (#505)

*Upcoming meeting dates are: Aug. 2, Oct. 4, Nov. 1

For more information, contact John Schrot, Chairperson of Missions Team, at 400-5799 or Teresa Spencer, Director of Ministries, at 456-3993 or send email to ministrydir@longschapel.com.



MISSIONS

Guatemala Mission Trip

Christine Spencer and Sophia Jackson are very excited about returning to serve two weeks with the Mayan people at Salud Y Pas. UNCA student Brittany Klutz will also be a part of the July team, and she is looking forward to her first time serving in Guatemala. Please keep them in your prayers. Thanks to all of you who have supported them and made this trip possible.

Salud Y Pas provides needed healthcare services for under-served indigenous Maya of Guatemala. They provide a quality early educational experience for Mayan children by providing them with sufficient nutrition to grow healthy minds and bodies. Salud Y Pas also trains local village women and men to become healthcare promoters and leaders within their own villages by using the "train the trainers" model.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE

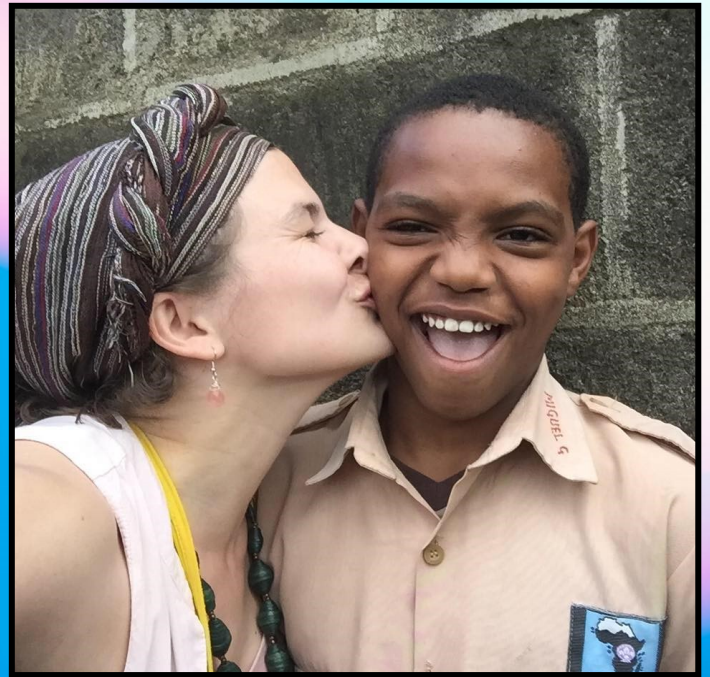
Want to make a difference in the life of others? Adopt a camper this summer and help Camp Ability by sponsoring with your time, talents or resources. You can send a child to camp for only \$50 per week. Volunteer your time/talents, or send a camper of your own. Daily activities take place 8:30 am-3:30 pm and focus on experiences that develop self-confidence and social skills with trained staff in a hands-on, supervised environment for children with disabilities. Find out more about camper, "buddy" and sponsorship opportunities by calling Diane Gayer at 226-5572 or Lisa Cook at 269-0812.



Have you ever saved a life? You can save up to 3 lives with one donation of blood at our Long's Chapel Blood Drive on Tuesday, July 12, in the Fellowship Hall. If you are a "morning person," we will be open from 7 am to noon. If you prefer afternoon/evening, we will also be open from 3 to 8 pm. We would love to break our current record of 98 units and hit 100 this summer! Please sign up in the Gathering Area between services, or call Carol Honeycutt at 421-4262. We need both donors AND lots of volunteers to register donors, work the canteen, and provide refreshments. Please pray for the success of this drive so we may help those in our community who need this valuable service.



Living Sent



By Leah Mehaffey

In 2008 I traveled to Kenya for the first time and became fast friends with one of our drivers. During my second trip, his wife and I began exchanging notes between him each day. By my third time in Kenya, Irene and I had become online pen pals and finally met in person.

Our relationship continued for several years, until 2013, when God placed the dream of a partnership in both our hearts. No Ordinary Women (NOW), a non-profit co-founded by myself and Sally Hundley, partners women in the U.S. with women from Irene's company, Oasis Womens Group. Both NOW and Oasis offer a variety of ways to encourage, empower, equip and deploy women in our respective communities.

One of the key ways this is done is that NOW buys exquisite jewelry made by Oasis women and sells it in the U.S. By these purchases, the women of Oasis are able to feed their children, send them to school, and take care of their families.

The Monday after Easter of this year, while running at Lake Junaluska, I felt God telling me to stop and sit in His presence at our church's Flower Cross that was still up from the day before. The moment I sat down, I heard almost audibly God telling me 'Now is the time to go see your Kenyan sisters. I was shocked and in a little bit of denial, as I've been longing to return to Kenya for 5 years and God has asked me to wait. There were so many unknowns. Primarily, how would I pay for this?

Our company is still small and we don't have extra funds even for a business trip, and our personal finances are stretched as thin as they can go. I told God, 'Look, I'll do this if you want, but you have to provide the money. Show up for me in this!'

Within the week, five days actually, God had provided for the ENTIRE TRIP. Seriously. What normally takes a year to plan had been taken care of in 5 days. I'd be staying with Missionary friends in Nakuru for free. I'd be hitching a ride from the airport in Nairobi down to Nakuru with another friend and her mission team. All I needed funds for was airfare and a few minimal in-country expenses, and between a few local families who heard my story and Long's Chapel's faithfulness, all of that was taken care of.



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This trip was instrumental in the growth of our company, as I was able to finally meet in person all of the other women of Oasis, whom I had been working with and buying from for two years. I got to meet children who had been able to attend school directly because of our partnership. I was able to attend their weekly Bible study and time of testimony, singing and prayer, and I was able to interview these women on video to hear about how the partnership between NOW and Oasis has impacted their lives.

These were powerful times. I was also able to learn and document how our items are made, from start to finish. We were able to plan future collections, scout for materials all over town, and form deep connections between these women and myself that will increase trust, faith and hope in each other that simply cannot be accomplished through a computer screen. This group of women, both in Oasis and our local NOW ladies, have changed my life.

I have found 'my people' and this company, these women, and their stories mean more to me than I could ever express. I have never felt more called to or passionate about something in my entire life, and I know that this trip was only the beginning of what is to become bigger and wilder than I could ever think up on my own. It's terrifying and exhilarating and a huge responsibility, and that's how I know it's from God.

The biggest way that people can help both the women of NOW and Oasis is by spreading the word, through our social media posts and word of mouth, participating in our local Bible studies and classes, and buying the jewelry that we receive from Oasis. The women of Kenya are working hard and trying to raise themselves up out of poverty, and they just need someone to buy what they make, so that they can provide job training, counseling for domestic abuse and other family issues, and basic dignity and pride for the women in their community.

The women in our community are looking for relationship, deeper purpose, and ways to make a difference in the world. By supporting NOW, you enable global connection and meaningful, impactful mission work. If you want to get involved in any way, let me know by sending me an email to leah@noordinarywomen.org.





Living Sent



Kim Mulholland and Sharon Gaddy have been providing weekly choice-based yoga classes to the women in the Haywood County Detention Center since September 2015. The classes provide opportunities to engage the body in ways that are useful to the individual. Class intentions create a neutral and safe space for this experience. One in four women have experienced complex trauma which may result in being stuck in a body that is relating to these experiences. Choice-based yoga allows participants to feel in control and offers present-moment, non-harming experiences.

The classes are spiritually sensitive, recognizing that for many women, relational trauma can distort relational abilities and faith beliefs. "Sharing the love of Jesus is a part of every class, simply through our actions, time of devotion/ prayer with the ladies and in a shared authentic hour of Devotion in Motion," says Kim.

Recently the women in the jail made a display poster providing awareness about the yoga class for the community. Please enjoy what they had to say!



"My favorite pose is child's pose because I pray during that form." -Shelby B.

"Thank you Kim and Sharon for coming each week and never giving up on us." -Amy F.

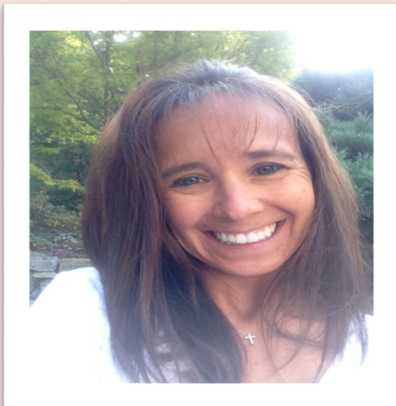
"Thank you Kim and Sharon, Long's Chapel and the Haywood Detention Center for supporting Christ Mindfulness yoga classes. Yoga brings peace to our hearts and brings a feeling of hope that has been lost and places it back where it belongs in the first place – God's hands and the arms of many angels. Lots of praise!" -Carey R.

"Christ mindfulness yoga is so soothing and calming when there is such a storm on the ocean of our lives. Thank you so much." -Ruth C.

"Yoga helps me to relax even with a room full of people. I have found a peace of mind from doing yoga." -Carolyn (Nations)

Kim's intensive independent studies and continued education in Trauma-Sensitive Yoga are ongoing. Kim was selected as a candidate for the Trauma-Sensitive Yoga certification program at the Trauma Center in Brookline, Massachusetts. The trauma center is internationally recognized as a leader in the field. Once certified, Kim will hold the gold standard certification in yoga as an adjunctive therapy for the treatment of trauma.

Kim also teaches a community Christ-Mindfulness Yoga class at Long's Chapel. Classes are by donation and support many ministries and are open to anyone. No prior yoga experience is necessary. July class dates are the following: July 8, 15, 22, 29. Class meets in the modular building (#505) and is from 10:00 to 11:15 am.



Certified yoga instructor Kim Mulholland has advance yoga studies from The Prison Yoga Project and Trauma-Sensitive Advance Course work. Kim may be contacted at sonshineyoga@gmail.com for more information about Long's Chapel Devotion in Motion community yoga class.



July Bell Ringers

Our 3rd-4th Grade Class will be signaling the calling of community to worship during the month of July. Parents can pick up their 3rd-4th Kiddos at the Bell Tower at 10:45 am.

Parent's Night Out (PNO)

Saturday night, July 16, LCKids will be providing a PNO from 5 to 9 pm. Sign up online at longschapel.com/#/grow. Deadline for registering is Thursday, July 14.

Please make certain that all kiddos are dressed appropriately to play on the playground for a portion of the evening.

PNO Dates for 2016: August 20, Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 12, and Dec. 10

Contact Wendy McKenzie wendy.mckenzie@longschapel.com for more information.



Nursery News



We will continue to have Nursery Staff meet your children after the Children's Message (8:20 service) and walk them down. Thank you to all 8:20 Service parents who are shifting to checking their children in prior to the service. Please continue to share with us the ways that we can best meet the needs of your families.



Sally Hundley

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Summer Fun with LCKids!

A Note from Sally

As the daughter of a US Army Officer, the Fourth of July began with John Philip Sousa marches blaring from our family stereo. When that didn't get my sister and me roused quickly enough, my dad would jump on our beds. This family ritual brought great horror to me as a teen and great memories as I look back on it from adulthood.

Summertime is a great time to build family traditions. Use this time out of the routine of the school year to define who you are as a family. Are you a burnt marshmallow s'mores family? Are you a Fudgesicle Friday family or more of a Sundae Sunday household? Do you play cards at the picnic table or do you escape to the lawn to play bocce every chance you get? Traditions aren't about money spent or giant trips away. Family traditions come in the ways that you make the everyday a little bit different from everybody else.

Sally Hundley



July 4th at Long's Chapel

The Fourth of July is the perfect time to invite friends and family to join us at Long's Chapel. The parking lot will become a family fun zone of bounce houses, food, and festivities. Bring towels and change of clothes for the kids and be certain to bring your chairs and blankets to enjoy the fireworks. All in the community are welcome, so be sure to tell your friends and family members!



Summer Arts Camp

For Arts Camp 2016, we're headed to Ancient Asia and a Dragon Boat Festival! Arts Camp is for rising first through fifth graders.

Revelation 1:4 For the seven churches in the province of Asia grace, peace to you.

Workshops include Sculpting, Painting, Textiles, Mixed Media, Decorating, Cooking, and Constructing Dragons. Kids will bring a Bento-Box Lunch with them each day. July 25-29, 9 am to 2 pm.

Cost of Arts Camp is \$45 and includes supplies, fun and games, and a t-shirt.

Register online at longschapel.com/#/grow. Registration is limited so don't hesitate.

Interested in volunteering with us? Children of volunteers register for FREE! Talk with Sally.

More exciting LCKids news and info on
the next page!





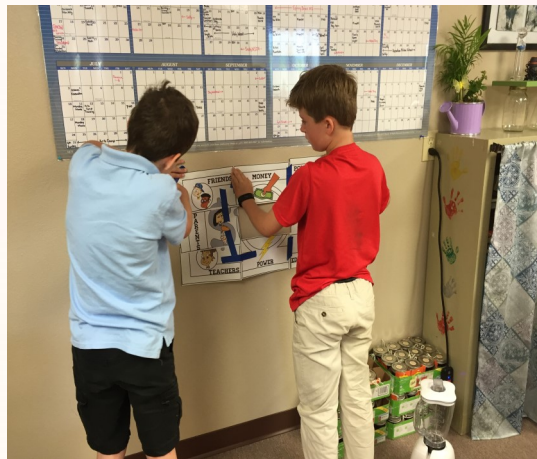
Thank you to everyone who made VBS 2016 a success! Our kids are blessed because you share your time and talents. We learned so much more about God's plans for each of us---and it was such a blessing to partner together for Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace.



LCKids and rEVOLution Youth are partnering for a top secret adventure on the afternoon of July 10. Details cannot be placed in writing, but talk with Sally to find out more. SHHHHHHHH . . .

We are continuing Summer Sunday School with FaithCase Extraordinary A.C.T.S. Our Elementary-aged investigators are memorizing the Extraordinary A.C.T.S. Pact:

- * *I will do extraordinary acts because I only need God.*
- * *I will not be afraid.*
- * *I know God can use anyone and I will be the one to act.*
- * *I know prayer works, so I will worship.*
- * *I will stand for Jesus because I am safe with God.*
- * *I will go and go and go and go.*
- * *I will do extraordinary acts for God.*



Want ways to reinforce this at home? Go to Faith Case online for follow up activities. Want to Join the Investigation? Talk with Sally. We would love to have you!

Monday Movies for Missions



Join us at 10:30 am on Monday, July 11 and 18 for movies in the Fellowship Hall. Movies are free and snacks are available for a donation to our Mission Projects: The Open Door, Clothes to Kids, and Sole Hope. Snack packs are \$2.00.



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Welcome to **Revolution Student Ministries** at Long's Chapel UMC. We want our youth ministry to be the catalyst in preparing our students to live spiritually bold lives in a culture desperately needing to see the difference that living for Christ makes. The apostle Paul explains that we are in a spiritual battle and calls us all to "be alert, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong and to love without ceasing!" We want our youth ministry to ignite students into spiritual revolution. Our program is intended to be a training and proving ground for the next generation of more fully devoted followers of Christ.

Revolution Student Ministries meets three times a week:

Sunday School – During the 9:40 worship hour. Our summer schedule will combine all 6th-12th grades into one class that will meet in the Underground June 12 - August 14.



JULY EVENTS

- * July 1-8 - Youth Missions Trip to Jamaica: Our youth will be returning to Bamboo, Jamaica to continue work on an orphanage currently under construction as well as conducting a VBS Camp and visiting other orphanages. Please pray for our team of 18 youth and adults to experience God in fresh and powerful ways!
- * July 10 - Water Rock Knob youth trip: Youth will be heading up for an afternoon of food, fellowship, and fun. Be up at the church by 2 pm and bring a blanket or camp chair, football, Frisbee, and everything else will be provided! We will return to the church by 8 pm. This is a FREE event!
- * July 11-14 - Camp Ability: Everyone interested in helping out with this very special Camp for Special Needs Kids need to please contact Diane Gayer at 828-226-5572. The camp is at Lake Junaluska and volunteers will be helping kids to enjoy a variety of options including going to a horse farm, swimming, arts and crafts, and more!
- * July 17 - DeepCreek Trip: Youth will be heading out to the cold waters of Bryson City as

we tube the mighty DeepCreek! We will meet at 11 am out in front of the Underground to load up the bus and van. Please bring a change of clothes, river shoes or shoes to get wet and a change of clothes, towel, sunscreen, and a great attitude. Bring food money and we will expect to be back by 5 pm. Cost is \$7 per person!

- * July 25: All of our youth are invited to volunteer with the amazing kids attending ARTS CAMP! Connect with Sally Hundley at the church to be a part of this very special and fun week!
- * July 31-August 5: Wilderness Trail! Our youth head out for a spiritual walk out in the wilderness of Virginia or Tennessee and will hike, backpack, and camp for 4 days and nights. This is an opportunity to experience God and Creation as well as grow close to each other and in their faith! This trip has been extremely formational to many of our youth and is unlike anything else we do! For questions please call Shawn or Lindsey at the church office, 828-456-3993.

HEADS UP

- August 7 - Lunch Bunch: After the 9:40 worship, we head to Zaxby's for food and fellowship. Bring your lunch money and we'll provide the transportation. Meet out in front of the Underground by 11 am.
- August 6 - Tuscola Day of Service: Everyone is invited to help do some preparatory work at Tuscola High School from 9 am to 12 pm. We will be pulling weeds, laying mulch, painting, and a variety of other tasks as a way to show our solidarity with Tuscola High School! Please email Shawn Winburn to verify that you will be able to help out on this very special day. Snacks, donuts, drinks will be provided!!!
- August 22: First Day of School for Haywood County!
- August 28: Church Picnic at Lake Junaluska.



ROOTS

Young Adults



Our Roots Young Adult Ministry is growing and thriving! We have many exciting events coming up this summer and in the fall. If you are a young adult or a person with a passion for this generation, be sure to check us out on the church website and follow us on Facebook to keep abreast of current events and happenings!

<https://www.facebook.com/LCUMCROOTS>

SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES 2016 AT LONG'S CHAPEL

The SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES is sponsored by the Generous Living Team here at Long's Chapel and is designed to help us and our extended community grow in faith and knowledge. This year, our speakers will encourage us to be more grateful and hospitable. The series is free...but the knowledge to be gained is priceless! Please join us.

September 25 (Morning Worship Services)

Shane Benson, Vice President, Customer Experience
Chick-fil-A, Inc., Atlanta, GA



Shane Benson is Vice President, Customer Experience of Chick-fil-A, Inc., one of our nation's most admired and successful restaurant chains. Shane's life is an amazing story of hard work and success built around a theme of warm hospitality and customer satisfaction! In his current role, he oversees the Hospitality and Service Design, Voice of the Customer, Digital Experience, Voice of the Operator and the Brand Strategy departments.

Shane began working with the company at the age of 16, when he was hired as a Team Member at the Chick-fil-A Foothills Mall in Maryville, TN. He later continued his career as the Owner/Operator of Chick-fil-A Sunnyvale Town Center in Silicon Valley, CA. From there, he moved on to operate Chick-fil-A University Place in Charlotte, NC for 11 years before joining the Chick-fil-A Support Center in Atlanta, GA.

Adult Ministries

Tuscola First Fruits Ministry

Since the beginning of this school year, from September 11, 2015 to June 3, 2016, the Tuscola First Fruits Ministry has served students 912 lbs. of apples, 400 bags of pretzels, 912 "Cuties" oranges, 154 lbs. naval oranges, 175 lbs. bananas, 3,358 nutritional bars/cheese crackers, 330 fig bars, 350 lunchables, 150 bags popcorn, 150 rice cakes, 250 pop tarts, and 150 big blueberry muffins. On the last day of school, we had a "party" in which over 1,500 individual snack items were given out.



This has been made possible by nine faithful volunteers who have given time and energy, as well as many wonderful folks who have donated financially. Three buses and a table of fruit and snacks were set up for students each Friday afternoon. Four Fridays were missed because of holidays. Much gratitude and many "thank yous" to all who, by their efforts, have touched many young lives. We look forward to serving God by serving our THS students next school year!

the ultimate journey

The wonder of options offered at Long's Chapel, for learning about God and our relationship with Him and each other, is astounding. We are truly so rich in blessed ministries by gifted teachers who would share their Love with Christ's bride.

Then there is The Ultimate Journey. Not a class, but a path. Not a teacher, but a facilitator.

The Ultimate Journey aids each of us to systematically clear a pathway into the deepest parts of our psyches, souls, minds, and hearts, with the goal of ushering us directly into the presence of the greatest, most loving, most personal teacher of all, the Holy Spirit of God, who is just here, ready and waiting to live in and through every moment of our Beloved lives...

Talk about gratitude! - Jerri-Anne McDermith

New groups are now forming to begin in August. Please contact Debbie Knox at debraknox@hotmail.com or 944-0423 for more information and/or to register.

Haywood Habitat for Humanity is accepting homeownership applications in July. Attendance at an information session is a mandatory part of the process. Sessions are scheduled throughout the county in July. For more information, visit the organization's home ownership page at www.haywoodhabitat.org or call 828.452.7960.



Adult Ministries



LCUMC Carpentry Ministry

Your Carpentry Ministry is alive and well and working hard. Since December 2015 we have built four handicap ramps, including our grand champion in recent memory, a 46-footer with two landings, stairway and roofed porch. Whew! We also did some repair work at The Open Door, hung and finished drywall in an unfinished basement and added handrail to an existing ramp. While Habitat new home construction is the "biggy" for this ministry, our community construction and repair effort is where you can help us benefit many more

Haywood families in the course of a typical year. Most of the jobs are small, but all are badly needed and just as appreciated. Again, thanks for your support.

-Bill Fisher

Christ-Mindfulness Yoga Class

Devotion in Motion

Kim Mulholland

RYT, R-YFT

Registered YogaFaith Teacher

800-400-8696

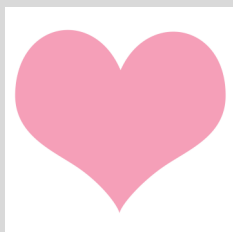
sonshineyoga@gmail.com

**Classes are by donation and meet
each Friday from 10:00 to 11:00 AM
in Room 505 (Modular Unit)**



Pure in Heart Art Class

Tuesdays, 12:30 pm, #102/5



**This art class is designed specifically
for individuals with special needs.**

Free

**For more information,
contact Tracy Fisher at 400-4080.**



United Methodist Women



Did you know that the United Methodist Women have a Reading Program? The UMW encourages women to grow spiritually and in their knowledge of the needs of women and children around the world. One way we do this is by educating ourselves through books. Our reading program chairperson is Kathy Spence who keeps many recommended books on hand to be borrowed. This "Lending Library" is in Room #210 and offers a variety of topics. Kathy also shares the children's book list selections with many of our children in the CEC. If you want to find out more about the UMW, who we are, and what we do, contact Becky Jarrell at 246-0331.



EVE LINK

BECAUSE THE 4th OF JULY FALLS ON MONDAY OUR EVE LINK

WILL NOT BE MEETING THEN.

WE WILL MEET ON JULY 11 at 6:00 pm IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM

AND WEAR OLD CLOTHES TO GO OUT GLEANING TOGETHER.

Alice Herring is getting us a field and work permits for feeding the hungry of

Haywood County. Plan to meet promptly so we can travel together.

Afterwards, we will have a meal together at a restaurant. Service & Social!



WOMEN OF THE VINEYARD



What can reduce stress, help prevent a cold, fight depression, calm stress, and prolong your life? The answer may surprise you. Waves of scientific research over the last several years point not to dietary supplements and self-help books but to something much simpler and perhaps more easily overlooked: friendship. While friendships seem to boost well-being in both men and women, women actually enjoy some extra health benefits. The famed Nurses' Health Study from Harvard Medical School found that the more friends women had, the less likely they were to develop physical impairments as they aged, and the more likely they were to be leading a joyful life.

In fact, the results were so significant, the researchers concluded, that not having close friends or confidants was as detrimental to your health as smoking or carrying extra weight. Are you someone who tends to not take a lot of time out for your own emotional and spiritual well-being? As demanding as work, kids, school and daily life can be, everyone needs time for friendships and encouragement. Coming in August, the Women of the Vineyard will be launching Women-to-Women, a female encounter designed for every woman. Your health will thank you for it!

The Open Door & Second Blessings

CHRISTMAS TIME IS COMING!

Second Blessing Thrift Store is excited to announce our Christmas in July Sale! From July 6 through July 20 shoppers will find huge sales on all holiday items and mark downs throughout the store. There will be daily specials, our very own version of the 12 days of Christmas, with a storewide discount on the final day. So take a break from the dog days of summer and enjoy Christmas in July with us.

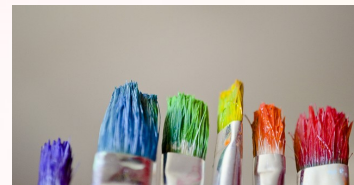
As we prepare for our Christmas in July Sale I am reminded of a quote credited to Bob Hope. He said, "My idea of Christmas, whether old-fashioned or modern, is very simple: love others. Come to think of it, why do we have to wait for Christmas to do that?" My prayer is that you will carry the spirit of Christmas in your heart all year long. Take the time today to reach out to the world around you and show them the love of Christ that lives in you.

Blessings,

Holly Cope
Second Blessings Store Manager



A Face Lift at the Open Door!



We wish to express our appreciation to the volunteers from First United Methodist Church of Waynesville for helping us spruce up the dining room of The Open Door.

Kevin Murphy and a group of volunteers painted the dining room a beautiful pale blue that brings life and a new sparkle to our daily meals.

Please stop by and visit us soon!

In Christian Love,

Perry and Mindy

Our County showered us with over 30,000 pounds of staple food during the Annual U.S. Postal Food Drive on Saturday, May 14.

The Open Door, along with Haywood Christian Ministries, The Salvation Army and The Community Kitchen were the recipients of the food.

The Open Door thanks each of you who had a part.

The Joy of A Servant's Heart

Just recently I had a conversation with one of our Long's Chapel faithful volunteers, who daily gives of his time and energy to The Open Door. I was expressing my gratitude to him for his consistent service.

His reply reminded me again of the joy of a true servant's heart. He said, "Perry, you just don't know how much it means to me to feel useful and to be out among the people. I receive so much more than I could ever give."

If you have not yet discovered the "joy of a servant's heart," I encourage you to find your niche and get started. If you wish to find out more about service opportunities at The Open Door, please contact us at 828-452-3846.

In Christian Love,

Perry Hines
Director



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to...

- ◇ Chris & Liz McClure on the birth of their son, William Christy McClure, on May 20, 2016.
- ◇ Tommy & Laura Cabe on the birth of their son, Greyson Phoenix Cabe, on May 23, 2016.
- ◇ Nick & Bronwyn McCracken on the baptism of their son, John Cole McCracken, on May 22, 2016.
- ◇ Justin & Brooklyn Jamison on the baptism of their son, Atticus Pike Jamison, on May 29, 2016.
- ◇ Justin & Melissa Lowe on the baptism of their son, Andrew Michael Lowe, on June 18, 2016.
- ◇ Chris & Liz McClure on the baptism of their son, William Christy McClure, on June 19, 2016.



The Global Leadership Summit is a two-day event telecast LIVE from Willow's campus near Chicago every August to hundreds of locations in North America. You are invited to join an expected 305,000 people committed to getting better as leaders in 2016. Throughout the fall, Summit events take place at an additional 675+ sites in 125 countries and 59 languages. Long's Chapel always has great participation in this event! This is a wonderful opportunity! All of the Long's Chapel tickets have been purchased; if you are interested in attending, tickets may still be purchased online with our church code at a special discounted price of \$129. Regular pricing is \$199. Call the church office at 456-3993 to obtain the discount code or for more information.



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Mon thru Sat
10am to 3:30pm

32 Commerce St
Waynesville, NC
(828) 456-9069

Christmas in
July
Sale!
July 6th - 20th
Sale on all Holiday Items &
Mark Downs Throughout the Store

Conveniently Located in Historic Frog Level



Clothes to Kids

Young Parents – We Need Your Help!

Clothes to Kids is a non-profit organization run by volunteers. We work closely with the Haywood County School system for referrals of children in need of good quality school clothing and shoes. Clothes are given to families at no cost.

We greatly appreciate all donations! We serve children and youth from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Donated clothes must be clean without spots and tears. We can only take school-appropriate clothes! A form for income tax credit is available at the front door. Come visit us and see what a beautiful shop we have! You will feel proud to be a part of what we are doing!

177 Weldon Way, Lake Junaluska, NC 28745

828-456-8990

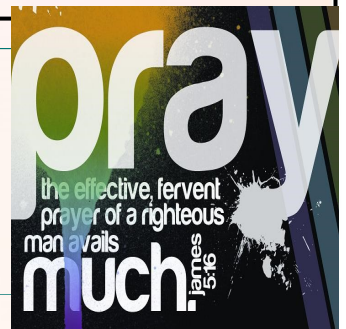
Prayers and Condolences

Sincere Condolences to...

- ◇ The family & friends of Bonnie Haynes, who passed on May 10, 2016.
- ◇ Al Dickens and family on the death of his sister, Joann Smith, on May 16, 2016.
- ◇ Lynn Ebsen and family on the death of her mother, Audrey Corvello, on May 12, 2016.
- ◇ Jackie Perkins and family on the death of her brother, Mark Taylor, on May 16, 2016.
- ◇ Phil Bland and family on the death of his wife, Donna Bland, on May 28, 2016.
- ◇ John Shell and family on the death of his wife, Roberta Ann Shell, on June 2, 2016.
- ◇ Peggy Winters and family on the death of her son, Jeffrey Winters, on June 12, 2016.

First Monday Prayer – August 1, 5:30 pm, Sanctuary

John Wesley, the founder of our Methodist movement once said, “God does nothing but in answer to prayer.” You are invited to gather on the first Monday of each month for prayer with your pastors. We will meet in the Sanctuary for about 45 minutes of directed prayer. This time will be led by one of our pastors. We will pray for our world, our community, our church, our families and ourselves. We will not meet on July 4.



JOB OPENING!

Part-time Maintenance/Custodial Employee. This employee will work part-time in the afternoons and every other weekend. This individual is required to have a general knowledge of maintenance items such as plumbing and electrical. Interested persons should call Steve Stamey at Long's Chapel UMC, Monday through Thursday, at 828-456-3993.

For Men Only

All men of all ages are encouraged to try out a unique, meaningful study group.

⇒ **Who:** Men of all ages

⇒ **What:** Study group

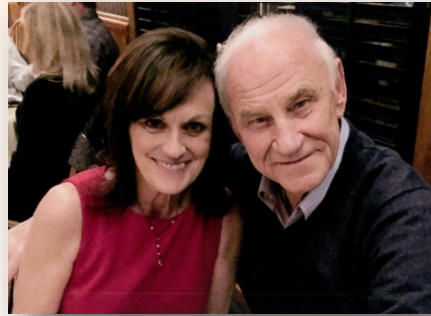
⇒ **When & Where:** 7 am Tuesday morning study group in the Fellowship Hall and 5:45 pm Tuesday evening study group in the Dugan Room (#210). The 5:45 pm group brings a bag supper.



New Members



Ron & Dee Petty



Charlie & Donna Lyle



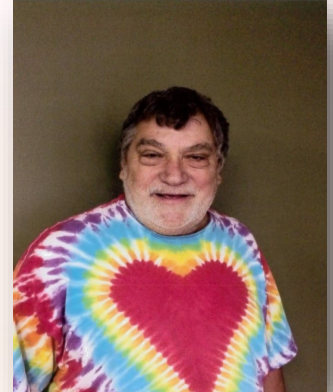
Ryan Moody



Ginger Roth



Lucille Roth



Rick Hills

Chuck and Karen, we love you and wish you all the best!

Thank you to everyone who attended Chuck and Karen's farewell party on June 26. We sent them forth with so much love, prayer and encouragement. Below is the Wilsons' new contact information and Pastor Chuck's new email address.

Chuck and Karen Wilson

4704 Biltmore Forest Drive

Matthews, NC 28105

chuck@matthewsumc.org



Church Administrator Report

Building and Grounds (from Torry Pinter, Church Administrator)

- Due to the recent lead issues with the water in Flint, MI, we thought it would be good to test our water. On 5/18/16, Environmental Inc. said there were not any contamination issues with our water.
- Haynes Heating and Cooling serviced the chiller and HVAC units on 6/9/16 as part of the maintenance agreement.
- Recently we had some spring painting completed in the main office, gathering area, doors, and outside handrails.
- We had a successful spring cleaning throughout the church, by our staff, the week of May 9. We cleaned windows and removed items out of our storage areas.
- As part of the transition for the parsonage, a home inspection was completed. Overall, the report did not find anything major but noted several smaller items. The parsonage work is now taking place for the transition of our pastors: repainting, roof repairs, carpet cleaning, and several inside/outside items as noted in the Home Inspection Report.

Child Enrichment Center (C.E.C.) Director

Long's Chapel is excited to announce we have hired our new director for the C.E.C. Please welcome Kristen Ledford to our team.

With a combined 10 years of teaching and director experience, Kristen brings a wealth of knowledge to the C.E.C. With Kristen at the helm, our center will continue providing excellent care and preparatory learning for our children.

Let's get to know Kristen... Her husband is Janson and the two of them have seven children!!! Kelsie and her husband Nicholas, Kiley and her fiancé Dillon, Caleb, Hannah, Abigail, Nathan, and Benjamin.

For fun Kristen says, "I enjoy upcycling, crafting, painting, watching my sons and husband race their dirt bikes, spending time with family, and any time I can get at the beach is always a favorite."

We would like to thank Kathy Stovall for leading our child care center during this transition period. With her experience as a teacher and office assistant, Kathy did a wonderful job!



Church Council Update

Church Council met on Tuesday, June 21, at 6:30 pm. In lighting the Holy Spirit candle, The Holy Spirit was welcomed and asked to lead and guide us as we discussed the items listed on the agenda at our "worship meeting in which business is conducted."

- Nine Church Council members were present for this meeting.
- Minutes for the May 17, 2016 Council meeting were approved and can be viewed on the church website.
- Church Council members shared God stories, how they've seen and experienced God working in their lives. Our Scripture reading was 2 Timothy, Paul's charge to Timothy as Paul awaited execution.
- Church Council members were encouraged to attend the Willow Creek Global Summit conference being presented by simulcast Aug. 11-12 at New Covenant Church.
- Pastor Justin updated the summer speaker series agenda and informed Council that Rev. Robert Long will not be at Long's Chapel on July 19 as previously scheduled. They're working on a reschedule date.
- Tom Fogarty gave a report on church financials for period ending May 31, 2016. Revenues received to date are approximately 13% greater than the revenues received for the same period last year. Year to date, expenses are under budget approximately 2%.
- Carol Burrell reported that the parsonage is being cleaned and readied for the Westmoreland family's arrival on June 30.
- Tom Fogarty led Council in prayer for Rev. Chris Westmoreland's arrival and Pastor Chuck's new assignment. Tom read the personal prayer that Pastor Chuck read on Sunday, June 19.
- Pastor Justin led Council and guests in a devotion and Holy Communion.
- Pastor Justin presented the following information to Council from Staff Parish:
 - *Kristen Ledford was selected as the new Child Enrichment Center (C.E.C.) Director. Kristen will begin work on June 27, 2016.
 - *Bridget Gossett was selected for the part-time position of Venue Worship Coordinator and the eleven05 Worship Service.
 - *A request to approve Sally Hundley as the new Director of Children's Ministry (LCKids). Council unanimously affirmed this request.

We concluded our time together in prayer led by Jeanne Heath.

The next regularly scheduled Church Council meeting will be held July 19, 2016. As always, all meetings of Church Leadership are open to anyone (except when discussing personnel issues).



Stewardship

The Trap of Financial Hypocrisy

Recently in May we celebrated the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday. We also noted that this is considered the birthday of the Church. It was about 50 days after the resurrection of Jesus and the early disciples experienced a remarkable event described in Acts 2:1-4. The entire chapter describes how they were filled with the Holy Spirit, devoted themselves to fellowship and prayer, and acknowledged that everything they had was a gift from God. They praised God, gave to anyone that had need, and were adding daily to those who were being saved. They really cared for each other in obvious ways that evidenced the life-changing impact the gospel was having on their behavior. *"No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own."* The amazing story of generosity by Barnabas was told as he sold a field he owned and gave freely of all the money to the apostles so they could continue the work of the early church. As people came to learn of the message of Jesus, many others sold their possessions and gave freely to those in need.

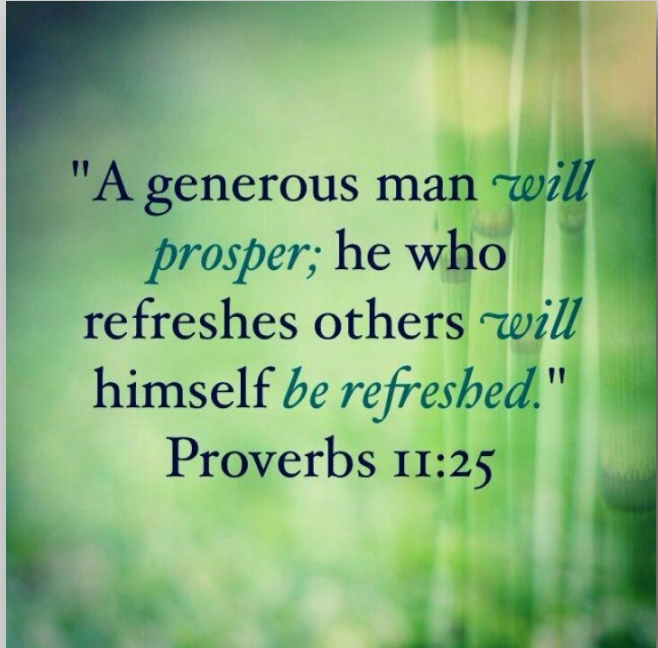
God's story of Ananias and Sapphira during this time is one we might not want to hear. It seems they appeared to be united in heart and mind with the other believers, but they were secretly holding back from the Lord for purposes of their own financial security. They were guilty of hypocrisy. In Acts 5:3-5 we read about how the Apostle Peter confronted them and God struck them both down. Apparently God does not tolerate financial hypocrisy! Chuck Bentley writes in his book, "The Worst Financial Mistakes in the Bible" that the incidence is a stark warning that we should never attempt to deceive God or His Church.

Jesus severely rebuked financial hypocrites who cultivated external appearances of generosity but refused to deal with the issues of greed, self-righteousness, and hardheartedness. In Matthew 23:25 Jesus says, *"Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside you are full of greed and self-indulgence."* I have to admit to being guilty of trying to look good to God by giving of my tithe, yet struggling with love of money and self-indulgence. At some point I must cross the line of giving to feel good and give because I love the Lord and know that everything I have is a gift to be used as a faithful servant. I am and will be accountable for my stewardship.

In Luke 11:42 Jesus further explains financial hypocrisy by bluntly exclaiming, *"Woe to you Pharisees, because you give God a tenth of your mint, rue and all other kinds of garden herbs, but you neglect justice and the love of God. You should have practiced the latter without leaving the former undone."* Jesus is confirming the centuries-long Old Testament teaching of the tithe. He is calling them to task for neglecting justice and the love of God. He is making it clear it's not just the practice of giving the tithe alone but stressing the importance of loving God and loving others. To give in order to 'feel good' about one's self is an act of hypocrisy. When we love God, we want to walk in His ways.

As Christians, we are clearly called to love God, love others and live as the early disciples of the church. Our generous giving is an act of love for God. It allows us to act as a church community with resources to love others and be a people sent out into the world to spread the message of love, hope and peace of Jesus. The disciples in the days of Pentecost needed financial support to build the church of Jesus. Just like everything else in the teaching of Jesus, the church today still needs people of generosity to spread the message. The early followers of Jesus quickly learned that their giving out of love for Jesus was necessary to avoid **The Trap of Financial Hypocrisy.**

Tom Fogarty for Stewardship Ministry



*"A generous man **will prosper**; he who refreshes others **will himself be refreshed.**"*
Proverbs 11:25

Stewardship Readings for July

July 3: The Believers Share their Possessions

“There were no needy persons among them. For from time to time, those who had owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles’ feet, and it was distributed to anyone as he had need.” Acts 4:34-35

July 10: Giving is Blessed

“Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’” Acts 20:35

July 17: Critical Act of Worship

“No man should appear before the Lord empty-handed. Each of you must bring a gift in proportion to the way the Lord has blessed you.” Deuteronomy 16:16-17

July 24: Wisdom from Billy Graham

“God has given us two (2) hands...one to receive with and the other to give with.... we are not made for hoarding, we are Christians made for sharing.”

July 31: Words of Encouragement

In 2nd Corinthians 8, Paul compliments the church for their record of excellence in everything, but cautions them to “see that you also excel in the grace of giving.”

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING 5/31/2016

Operating Budget	Received	Expenses	
May	\$141,145	\$109,277	
Total 2016 (YTD)	\$613,065	\$618,215	
Building Fund	Received	Expenses	Balance
Total 2016 (YTD)	\$23,199	\$70,980	\$228,597

Invitational Story

I came to Long’s Chapel after being invited by a woman who spoke to me in the grocery store and being invited by a co-worker. My husband, Will, and I were looking for a church so we decided to attend. The service we attended was from the series “The Fruit of the Spirit,” and the topic was “Joy.” Will and I were going through a tough time and this sermon showed us the power and humor of God’s timing. It was after this that we decided to join the church and began consistently attending during the new year.

-Jamie Adams



As of 6.5.16

Memorials

THE OPERATING FUND

In Memory of: Dorothy Battrick

By: Frances Jaynes

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church of Canton

John Hawkins

In Memory of: Bennie Welch

By: Virginia Medford

In Memory of: Elizabeth Hill

By: Billie & Doris Cook

THE BUILDING FUND

In Memory of: Dorothy Battrick

By: Jack & Jean Walker

Virginia Medford

KENYA OUTREACH MINISTRIES

In Memory of: Betty Harwell

By: Long’s Chapel United Methodist Women

James & Marguerite Kilpatrick

Phillip & Sally Moncrief

Honorariums

THE OPERATING FUND

In Honor of: Dr. Chuck Wilson II

By: Judy Webb

This Month in Worship

God made us storytellers. Did you know that? God not only created us but God gave us a story worth telling. It's a story of creation, redemption and provision. Those are big church words to celebrate that God made us, God claims us and God walks with us every day. In Biblical times, there was nothing more sacred than storytelling - because storytelling was where people learned who they were and who they belonged to. It happened in church (synagogue), around the dinner table and around the fire. Matthew says of Jesus,

*"All Jesus did that day was tell stories—a long storytelling afternoon. His storytelling fulfilled the prophecy:
I will open my mouth and tell stories;
I will bring out into the open."*

Week 1 - July 10

Title - Who Does He Think He Is?

Scripture - John 10:10, Matthew 13, Ecc. 3

Week 2 - July 17

Title - Jesus as Master Storyteller

Scripture - Luke 15

Week 3 - July 24

Title - Church Goals

Scripture - Matthew 28

Week 4 - July 31

Title - Everybody's Got a Story! What's Yours?

Scripture - 1 Peter 3:15, Jeremiah 29:11

i am a
storyteller

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