



August 2019 / 8 am Worship on the Beach - Access 4 / 10:30 am Worship in the Sanctuary

Dear Little Chapel on the Boardwalk family,

Marcia and I just came back from spending a wonderful, relaxing time in the mountains of western North Carolina, compliments of Abe and Carol Walston.



We had our granddaughters with us which made our time together even more special.

The back of the cabin has a very large deck which looks down onto a golf course and I spent every morning and every evening out on that deck, often in the company of a couple of granddaughters who were for the first time in their young lives finding out what it is like to live without any electronic devices of any sort for their entertainment.

Before leaving for the week, their mom told them no computers, no iPads, no iPods, no cell phones, no Game Boys...they were not even to watch TV.

They had to keep themselves

busy by reading or playing board games or just talking. It was a great experience for all of us, and even though Ella did say she started to miss her iPad later in the week, they all did great without their "gadgets."

As I sat one morning out on the porch by myself, I thought about how often we hear and even talk about slowing down and just enjoying the moment, and yet, though we hear it all the time, we rarely pay attention to what is said.

We keep going with our hectic schedules and our "to do lists" and never really take the time to just enjoy. I do admit, the first day or so while sitting on the porch doing nothing, I did feel a couple of twinges of guilt, but by the end of the second day, those twinges were completely gone.

I not only got used to those quiet times, but found myself looking forward to them. Those moments of quietness helped me to reflect and also allowed me moments to simply listen and not try and tell God what I needed or wanted. It was about being quiet and listening.

But in order to do that we have to find a way to slow down. I have heard many of you say that you were never busier than you are now. Some have even suggested they didn't know how they ever found time for a job, because they are so busy now.

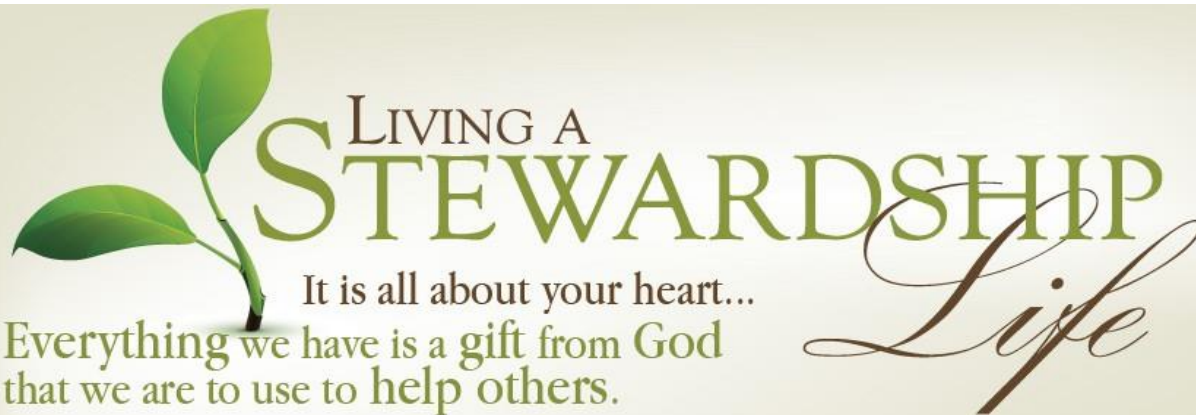
It's OK to be busy, but we all need to find that "down time" - that time in which we can simply be quiet and listen for God's voice.

Let's all covenant to find that time daily in our lives. Find just a few moments when you aren't looking at TV or your phone or the computer and just listen. I think if we can do that, we will find our lives will change.

Blessings,



Pastor Pat



The Diaconate is made up of 5 committees. Deacons Jennifer Barnes and Pat Hatcher co-moderate the Stewardship committee and answered these questions to help us know more about their mission and responsibilities.

Q. What is your definition of stewardship as it applies to Little Chapel?

A. Stewardship at LC is a combination of things: First, the nurturing of our resources such as our member's talents and their financial support is a foundational element of stewardship.

Second, we feel stewardship is energizing our congregants in a way that hopefully make them feel a vital part of our church community and equally comfortable and compelled to support LC in whatever way they are able.

Q. You both are moderators of the committee; are there other members? Can anyone join your committee to help out if they are so inclined?

A. There are two "formal" members of the Stewardship Committee. However, we feel that the LC family are full participants in not only our committee but other committees, as well. There is no specific definition around participation and we welcome any input.

Q. Do you and your committee plan programs for the whole year, or just for the fall campaign? Explain please.

A. Yes, we plan initiatives throughout the year.

Monthly, we ask a member to speak at our services about their thoughts and feelings of being a member at LC. The fall campaign is the primary and most challenging part of the stewardship effort. The other initiatives are building blocks that we feel lead to a more energetic commitment by our members.

Q. We've had a 'Time & Talent' campaign in the past for people to volunteer to serve on committees or assist with church projects. Are you planning a campaign like this for 2019 or 2020?

A. Yes. We participate in the Time & Talent campaign by sharing information about our committee and its focus. Last year, we had several members sign up to speak at our services.

We have been very fortunate by our members commitments and are blessed by their willingness to share their talents within the LC family.

Q. What are some ways you hope to keep stewardship on people's mind throughout the whole year?

A. Our various efforts are meant to remind our members that stewardship is not just a single annual event. Our Time & Talent Sunday, our guest speaker series, periodic reminders through the course of the year, offering various tithing methods, meeting with Pastor Pat and other deacons, sharing our progress and soliciting ideas are ways we keep stewardship of people's minds.



Q. Explain why pledging is important as it relates to our church budget and fixed expenses.

A. Like any business, it is unrealistic to plan for the future unless you have some sense of a budget. The only way we can get a "fix" on that is to insure that our members pledge during the campaign. Without those pledges, it is nearly impossible to complete the LC budget. We emphasize that it is not about the amount pledged but rather the fact that the pledge is made. All dollars are greatly appreciated and wisely used.

Q. Can you share any plans or ideas you have ahead of the fall campaign about giving?

A. At this date, we are still reviewing past progress and challenges with respect to prior campaigns. We hope to have more specifics in early fall.

Q. What have you learned about stewardship that you didn't know before you started work on this committee?

A. Foremost is the importance of confirming pledges in a timely manner in order to complete a budget. We are always surprised by the tremendous generosity of our members and the willingness to stretch themselves to achieve the LC goals. The church is truly committed to nurturing its growth and enjoying continued success in achieving its mission.

Q. Do you think there are any misconceptions some people have about stewardship?

A. There are perhaps several misconceptions about stewardship. Probably most importantly is that some members do not know that their pledged tithing amount is not disclosed to anyone.

Only the accountant is aware of the individual amounts and is not at liberty to discuss it with our Pastor or members.

Another misconception is that there is a lack of awareness as to the tithing time limitations which are closely tied to completing the budget. Our goal is to have ALL members pledge within 30 days of our request for pledges.

Q. This stewardship moment is for you: Share with us your thoughts about the importance of stewardship at Little Chapel.

A. Hopefully, it is obvious that without stewardship we would be challenged to support our many initiatives during the year. Equally important is the opportunity to work together in both large and small ways to continue to make LC the special place it is and to achieve our service objectives.

On behalf of the Stewardship Committee, we would like to thank each of you who have supported our efforts throughout the year. It has been a rewarding experience.



Youth News (Grades 6-12)

PYC SCHEDULE

PYC is on break for the summer. We'll resume in September. Have a safe and fun summer!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Regular Sunday School is on pause until after Montreat (AUG 11). Depending on students' availability we may occasionally meet Sunday mornings at Cafe Del Mar (6 N Lumina Ave.) for a casual devotion at 9:15 am before walking back to the church for 10:30 am worship. If you'd like to be added to the weekly PYC group chat, email Emily Donovan at emily@littlechapel.org.

MONTREAT YOUTH CONFERENCE

July 28 - August 3, 2019

We have 12 students, 2 adult chaperone, and 2 volunteer cooks signed up for this trip. Please begin praying for our students, adult chaperones and volunteers as we travel to Montreat.

MONTREAT ATTENDEES

Carolyn Baker
Fisher Carter
Ragan Clamme
Emily Donovan
Jasmine Estep
Christine Kennedy
Mia Kennedy
Sue Laakmann

Zoe Laakmann
Emma McLaughlin
Sarah McLaughlin
Jeffrey Miles
Caleb Price
Zachary Terault
Hannah Travis
Lydia Wadsworth

Shareholder "Return on Investment" Luncheon

Sunday, August 18

11:45 am

Fellowship Hall

All stockholders who "invested" in our Youth to attend PYC summer trips are invited to attend a special Shareholders Luncheon. We're excited to share a special meal with our investors and give a brief presentation about our travels.

SHARING A MEAL WITH FAMILY PROMISE

In July, the youth volunteered to make and share a meal with three families staying at Wrightsville UMC. These families are victims of domestic violence. 26 churches partner with Family Promise (formerly Interfaith Hospitality) to provide meals, transportation, and temporary shelter for those in transition.

This is the second year in a row LCBPYC families have participated in this mission opportunity. We were grateful for the opportunity to live out our servant hearts and be the hands and feet of Christ for those needing extra mercy.





YOU'RE INVITED TO AN ADOPTION PARTY !

Andrew Salvador Almy has been adopted by Rosemary Almy. Let's celebrate on Saturday, August 17 from 11 am – 1 pm in our Fellowship Hall. Call or text Rosemary (843-496-4842) if you can attend to insure there is enough food.

"A Father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling."

Psalms 68: 5-6

In Loving Memory

MILDRED McIVER

Marge & Myron Swetlitz

KITTY HEINZMAN

Ms. Libby Frye

Mr. & Mrs. William Schild

BETTY HOLDEN

Mr. C Lee Tart

LOIS DeVRIES

Mr. & Mrs. S Bart Jones

Mr. Edgar DeVries

Mr. & Mrs. Doug Knapp

DEWI ROWLANDS

Ms. Libby Frye

Mr. Bryan McIntyre

Mr. John Moore

Ms. Polly Carter

Mr. & Mrs. William Schild

Ms. Judy Gibson



Dear Little Chapel Family,

Thank you all so much for the cards, food, calls, visits, flowers and prayers.

I appreciate all the love and support you gave us during my illness.

Love you all,
Kathy and Brett

AUGUST

LITURGISTS

4 – Jean Schild

11 - Sherry Lovette

18 - Beckey Smith

25 - Brenda Parker

USHERS

4 - Sue & Jack Homestead
Linda & George Johnson

11 - Sherri & Jim Alexander
Linda & George Johnson

18 - Joan & Russ Page
Linda & George Johnson

25 - Connie & Andy
Marhevsky
Linda & George Johnson

Financial Report Little Chapel on the Boardwalk January - June 2019

Total Income Received	\$233,020
Total Expenses	\$218,062
Net Income	\$14,958



***...those who wait
for the LORD shall
renew their
strength, they
shall mount up
with wings like
eagles...
Isaiah 40:31***

(Jim Martz captured this stunning photo in his backyard! Thanks, Jim, for sharing it with us)

Those we *love*
can *never* be more
than a
thought away...
for as long as there's
a *memory*
they live in our
hearts to stay.



2	Larry Honeycutt	17	Lamon Spainhour	27	Rosemary Almy
10	Nancy Herring	18	Susan Long	27	Curtis Dinko
10	James Skiba	19	Bagley Reynolds	27	George Johnson
11	Janet Paterson	21	Carole Coble	27	Lydia Labocchetta
11	Helen Swartz	22	Gerry Williamson	28	Hunt Allen
12	Ellen Dudley	23	Dan Hammond	28	Dickson Bridger
13	Rick Miller	23	Sherry Lovette	28	Karen Brown
14	Harriss Northrop	23	Pamela Morine	29	Rhonda Woodell
15	Pete Paterson	24	Mark Clawson	30	Ben Barnes
17	Joyce Bradley	24	Tom Kennedy	30	Rita Bolick
17	Hunter Jordan	26	Josh Fairchild		

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

So far this summer we have had two great gatherings at Dune Ridge. Thank you again to Stephany Del Re' and David Long for sharing their beautiful clubhouse and pool with their church family.

A great time was had by all!

Final Sounds of Summer free concert

Join us Thursday, August 15 for our final gathering of the summer at the Wrightsville Beach Park as we listen to the dancing sounds of Port City Shakedown at 6:30 pm. Remember to bring your chairs, blankets, or towels to sit on. Food trucks will be available on site for those who choose not to bring their own dinners. Look for Pat and Marcia near the band shell.

Christmas Trip

We have already filled our 30 spaces so we are chartering a 47-passenger bus. There are now an additional 17 spaces to be filled. If you were wanting to go but thought it was full, please stop by the kiosk again and sign up. The cost for this trip is: \$45 (ticket) & \$25 (bus) Total amount of \$70 is due by Sunday, November 3. Please memo *Christmas Trip* on your check which may be placed in the offering plate, or drop it by the church office anytime. Following the show, we will stop and have dinner on our way home. This year, it will be at a surprise location!

Sincerely,
Karen Brown & Marcia Rabun
Congregational Life



Church Directory

UPDATE



Our Little Chapel picture directory will be updated this month. If any of your contact information has changed since the last directory was printed, please contact Delores Dyer in the church office (256-2819) no later than August 12. You can also email Delores your updated information at delores@littlechapel.org.

LABOR DAY
WEEKEND

It's just around the corner and begins Saturday, August 31.

Be sure to check the kiosk in the narthex and sign up for a shift for one of the 3 days (Saturday, Sunday, and/or Monday) to help park cars.

Donations are dedicated to our missions' program.

Missed going to church any Sunday? Want to hear part or all of the 10:30 service? Audio recordings are on our website - www.littlechapel.org



KNITTERS & CROCHETERS

Get your knitting needles out and your crochet hooks ready! We invite you to join us as we create shawls and lap robes for those in need; hats, scarves, and mittens for the Crossnore kids; and baptismal blankets for wee ones.

Don't worry if you don't have experience! Talent and instruction abound in the group, and we're always ready to train new knitters.

We meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 9:30AM - 11:30AM in the parlor. Please make plans to join us in fellowship, laughter, prayer, and creativity as we share our talents to warm others.



Every first, third and fifth Saturday of the month, a small group of men gather at David's Deli off Eastwood road for a time of food, fellowship and a devotion.

The group gathers at 9 am and we are always finished by 10 am....sometimes a little earlier. It is a wonderful opportunity for the men of the church to get together for a short time and visit and share "stories" with one another.

This group is open to all men of Little Chapel and no reservation is needed. Just show up when you can. If you have any questions call Pastor Pat. Check the calendar page in this newsletter for the August dates.



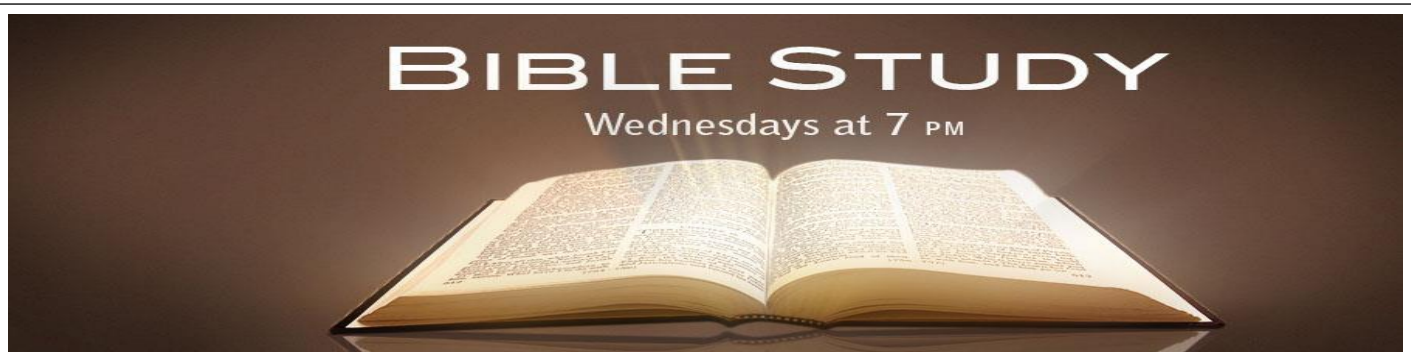
Sunday, October 6 at 3 pm

Little Chapel will have a Blessing of the Pets

in honor of St. Francis's birthday

Parking will be at Little Chapel, but the service will take place on the beach at Access 20

Welcome to well-behaved, leashed pets and to the public. Please help spread the word and let's celebrate St. Francis and our furry family members with this special service!



Every Wednesday night at 7 pm, a group meets at the Manse (11 West Oxford) for Bible Study. Currently we are studying a different book of the Bible each week. This is simply an overview with the hope of having the entire Bible completed before the end of the year.

Since we are looking at a different book each week, you can miss some and not feel like you need to catch up. For the month of August, we will be looking at the books of John, Acts, and Romans. The study goes from 7 pm – 8 pm each Wednesday. Please join us!

AUGUST 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<div>  <p>God speaks to those who take time to listen, and He listens to those who take the time to pray!</p> </div> <div> <p>The quieter you become the more you can hear.</p> <p><i>Obituary – Jane Hughes</i></p> <p><i>Food - Juice</i></p> </div>						
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