



### Potluck is coming up!

Mark your calendar for March 15<sup>th</sup> for the next potluck. This will give you plenty of time to think about what wonderful dish you want to share with your church family.

- Family Life

- The Family of Audrey Oppenheim
- The Hampton Family
- The Gee Family
- Nita & Jonathan Horne
- Emily Smith – Confirmand
- Betty Peace
- Jocelyn Barnard
- Scott Fletcher
- Jennie Leamons
- Tom Sanders
- Jim Hanigan
- Edrese Hanigan
- Nancy Ochoa and baby Anaya
- Dixie & Lynn Copeland
- Christy Hopkins
- Craig Stanley
- Amy Burdette
- Iris Shivar & Family in the death of her sister Nita Horne
- CHUMC Homebound



# Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

March 3, 2020

– Pastor's Message –



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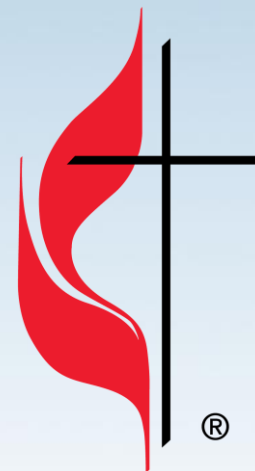
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Chapel Hill Family,

This week I write to share some exciting news that has taken shape over the past few months. As of the first of the year, we are partnering with Synergy Wesley Foundation to connect with students at Brookhaven College. Synergy is a United Methodist ministry for college students based at the University of Texas at Dallas. The group describes themselves as "a diverse and inclusive community where all students are welcomed and celebrated for who they are." They have recently extended their ministry beyond UTD seeking to establish campus groups on the campuses of the Dallas County College system of colleges.

This partnership resulted from conversations I had with Adam Richards, one of CHUMC's terrific office managers, about our proximity to Brookhaven College and my knowledge of his involvement with Synergy Wesley Foundation at UTD. After our conversation, Adam was passionate about the idea of reaching nearby college students. We met with Brittany Burrows, Synergy's Executive Director and Campus Minister whose mom, Susan Burrows-Bryant, once served as CHUMC's children's minister, to discuss what such a ministry would look like. Adam then wrote a New Faces, New Spaces grant application and submitted it to the North Texas Conference and the conference approved a microgrant to get the ministry started.

With the conference's affirmation and support and the support of CHUMC's Church Council, Adam began to spend time on Brookhaven's campus. Adam and a student volunteer were on campus for orientation. Adam began to have regular lunch gatherings with students who expressed interest at orientation and met with a couple of campus organizations. They recently had their first official Synergy Wesley Foundation Brookhaven gathering and had six people attend, just two short of the goal Adam established for the Spring semester. The goal for 2020 is to have 20 students gathering with SWF Brookhaven.

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## Upcoming Usher List

3/8 – Kandy Burdette, Linda Pace, Larry & Andrea Rains  
3/15 – Dave & Ilene Oldfield, Robert Putnam, Barbara Tatum  
3/22 – Meredith Freeman, Nathan Moore, Ruth Fuls, Pat Moore  
3/29 – Joel & Kim Rangel, Gaje Allen, Ava Allen

## February & March Mission Organizing Project

Chapel Hill Family,

Kassandra Hampton was a youth here at Chapel Hill and she needs some help. She is about to become a teen mom to a baby girl and is needing baby items to help them get started. We will be collecting items till March 15th. If you have any questions, ask Meredith Freeman. Please help this new mom get off to strong start and show our love and support for her and her baby girl

Diapers newborn-1 size  
Wipes  
Baby Hygiene items  
Baby girl clothes newborn-3 month sizes  
Bibs  
Burp cloths  
Walmart gift cards

Love, The Outreach Team

## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Breakfast: General Conference Forum

Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>  
9:15 AM  
Fellowship Hall



You are invited to join us for our Fifth Sunday breakfast as we discuss upcoming General Conference, the Protocol for Grace and Reconciliation Through Separation, and proposed plans to resolve our differences regarding the inclusion of LGBTQ+ individuals in the United Methodist Church.

## SINGLE BOARD MODEL WORKSHOP

Join us to learn about what a simplified leadership structure could look like for CHUMC as we consider what is right for us.

- Saturday, March 28
- 9 am – 1 pm
- Fellowship Hall



CHUMC leadership is considering changing our leadership structure as provided in the United Methodist Book of Discipline to ease the work of our Nominations & Leadership Development Committee and allow us to spend less time in meetings and more time in ministry. All are invited to join us as we learn what this simplified structure may look and function.

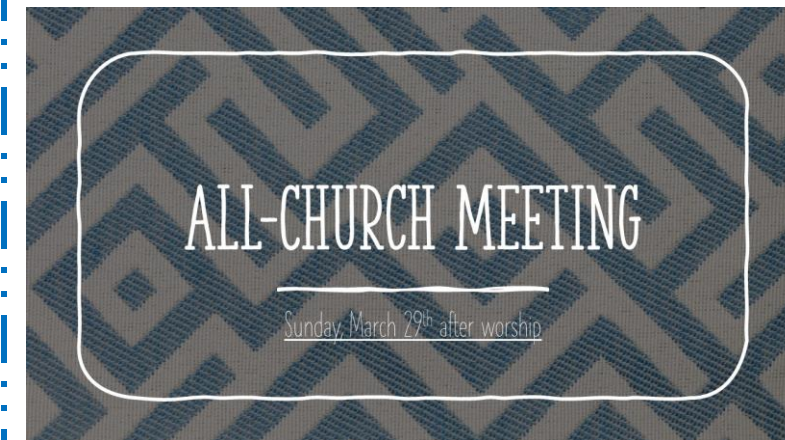
## Pastor's Message Continued

So, what is CHUMC's part in this sponsorship? Well, we are handling the grant money for their first few months. There may be times Adam needs to come to us to perhaps provide space or food for the students to meet or donations to support SWF Brookhaven's continued ministry. We do already have one couple at CHUMC who has offered their home for when the SWF Brookhaven group is looking to meet off campus. Adam and I will be reaching out to other pastors and churches to build a cohort of churches that will also commit to supporting this fledgling ministry. There will also be opportunities for CHUMC to make connections and build relationships with the students and Adam has shared his goal is to point the students in the group to CHUMC when they are ready and seeking an intergenerational space to worship and participate. We will also reach out to Brookhaven SWF to join with us in the many ways we partner and serve with our community.

This is an exciting opportunity for CHUMC to build relationships with a generation that the church as a whole has struggled greatly to connect with in a meaningful, transformative fashion. Please be in prayer for Adam and SWF Brookhaven as this important work continues.

Grace & Peace,

Rev. J.D. Allen



## Church Calendar

### Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>

10:00 AM Staff Meeting  
7:00 PM Numismatics Int'l Board Meeting  
7:00 PM Plus 4's Square Dancers  
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

### Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

9:15 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Worship  
11:30 AM Children's Choir  
11:30 AM Children's Council  
11:30 AM Family Life Meeting  
4:00 PM Youth

### Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>

7:00 PM Worship Meeting

### Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>

10:00 AM Staff Meeting  
11:30 AM Metrocrest Ministries Fellowship Luncheon  
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

**BIRTHDAY REMINDER:** Please let our church office know your birthdate, mm/dd/yyyy, so your church family can acknowledge your special day. **Your 'year' will remain private:** [office@chapelhillumc.org](mailto:office@chapelhillumc.org)



Sloane Byrd 3/14  
Kelsey Maxwell 3/26

Lee Willhite 3/15

Haley Byrd 3/16

Want something in the Newsletter?  
Send your newsletter article to [office@chapelhillumc.org](mailto:office@chapelhillumc.org) by 8am Friday.

Need to reserve a room or get an event on the calendar?

Please fill out an Event Request Form located on our website: [chapelhillumc.org](http://chapelhillumc.org), email [office@chapelhillumc.org](mailto:office@chapelhillumc.org), or in the folders on the table in the narthex.

Want to have a bulletin insert or announcement slide?

Look at the standards and procedures in the folders on the narthex table and turn it in by 4pm Thursday.

Have something to celebrate?  
Email the office with your celebration by Monday at 11am so that we can put your celebration in our "Hats Off" section to have everyone know the joy you are experiencing in your life.