



Chapel Hill

United Methodist Church

August 2, 2021

Pastor's Message

Each year the clergy gather for Covenant Day, where we renew our covenant to one another and to the local churches in the North Texas Conference. It was at our virtual Covenant Day 2020 that Bishop Michael McKee announced a new initiative in our conference, the Journey Toward Racial Justice. The resulting commission made up of clergy and laypersons was to focus their work on doing a detailed audit of our conference to see how our conference fares in terms of racial equity and inclusion.

This audit is important considering, over the years, church life still struggles to move Sunday away from what Martin Luther King, Jr., called, "the most segregated day in America." It is true that great, but incomplete, strides have been made in America in terms of personal, conscious racism. Yet strides remain if we desire to truly integrate our church life. These strides will be best made by addressing the subconscious and systemic racism that still resides within us and our institutions. This intentional effort will aid us in better reflecting a reality we have sought earnestly to move towards. As Paul wrote in Galatians 3:28, "There is no longer Jew or Gentile, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male or female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus." Perhaps, even more important are these words than we have realized for this verse is now thought to have been an early creed of the Church.

The work that has begun with pilot groups and is ongoing has three focus areas: vital conversations, intercultural competence, and institutional equity. This is work that can help us at Chapel Hill United Methodist Church as we seek to be a local church that seeks to reflect the fullness of our local community in the name of Christ.

You can learn even by going to <https://ntcumc.org/about/combating-racism>, where you will find links to .pdfs, a video, and other items related to the Journey Toward Racial Justice. You may also attend a Zoom conversation on Thursday, August 26 from 6:30 to 8 pm. You can register for the conversation at <https://ntcumc.org/conversation-registratio-f0rm>. (yes, in the registration web address, there is no "n" in "registratio" and "f0rm" is spelled with a zero rather than an "o.")

Grace and peace, Rev. J.D. Allen



Chapel Hill UMC

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Prayer List

CHUMC Home Bound	Donna Daggett
The Gee Family	The Family of Scott Bandy
Jocelyn Barnard	All affected by wildfire in Oregon
Jennie Leamons	The Family of Kirk Connally
Tom Sanders	The Family of Robert Medcalf
Judy Charvat	The Family of Debbie Coleman
Sylvia McFalls	Those affected by COVID-19:
Beverly Holmes	Nurses and Doctors
Norma Wood	All patients in hospitals
Danny Halron	Families who have lost people
Joy Conner	and cannot have funerals
Martha Johnson	First responders
Ronnie Hinton	Medical personnel who are
David Rice	working
Sonny Miller	Parents of students
Gary Fuls	Senior citizens in nursing homes
Scott Fletcher	Students and teachers taking
Neal Ellis	classes online
The Family of Betty Matthews	Those who have lost jobs

Thank you to everyone for your prayers, good wishes and cards following my knee surgery. Also, thanks to my Sunday School class for the great meals that were brought for my family.

Pat Moore

SET IN MOTION: Has the Church Left the Building?

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14 | 9AM-12PM



WE WOULD LIKE TO CELEBRATE THE LAITY OF THE NTC!

To have your church be a part of a collage that will be shared during the Annual Gathering of the Laity, submit photos of your local church "being the church" through your youth, children, missions, worship, etc.



FALL MUSIC MINISTRY KICK-OFF DINNER

Wednesday, August 11, 6:30 PM
Hosted by Margaret Young
3412 Highland Meadow, Farmers Branch

RSVP to Blair by Monday, August 9
music@chapelhillumc.org
214-796-4006

MAKE A JOYFUL Noise unto the Lord

Psalm 100:1



JOIN MUSIC MINISTRY

- Handbells: 6:30 on Wednesdays
- Adult Choir: 7:30 on Wednesdays
- Other opportunities to share your talents at piano, guitar, or any instrument

CONTACT BLAIR FOR MORE INFORMATION
MUSIC@CHAPELHILLUMC.ORG

SING

RING

PLAY

In-Person Office Hours:

Monday: 8 am – 12 pm

Tuesday-Friday: 8 am – 4 pm

If you have prayer requests or if there's anything else you need, please send us an email at office@chapelhillumc.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

In the case of a pastoral care emergency, please contact J.D. at (972) 467-7756

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



Faye Chapman 8/4	Blair King 8/7
Gaje Allen 8/11	Jonathan Fehlau 8/14
Kassie Hampton 8/21	Meredith Freeman 8/23
Lynn Laney 8/29	Rob Laney 8/29

Join Us for Online Worship!

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/chapelhillumc