



Chapel Hill

United Methodist Church

Pastor's Message

October 31, 2022

CHUMC Family,

November is just about upon us. That means the holidays are around the corner. Yet it also means we here at CHUMC are planning and preparing for next year and as the holidays approach, there is something of which you will want to be aware as we near the end of 2022.

Faith Pledge Sunday is just a few weeks away. This year it falls on what the church calendar calls Reign of Christ Sunday. On Reign of Christ Sunday, we worship and celebrate the Christ who reigns over all creation with love. Despite the sin that has corrupted humanity and wrecked our world, which we, sadly, have a part in, we have full assurance that Jesus rules over all things. While our world is full of injustice and violence and we experience so much division, hurt, and pain, we know that God's love reflected in Jesus, who laid his life down for his friends, is overcoming and will overcome all that is wrong in this world. God's intention for humanity and creation will prevail.

Faith Pledge Sunday is also the Sunday before Thanksgiving which is also appropriate. Thanksgiving gives us the opportunity to express our gratitude to God and one another as we give thanks for the hope we have in Christ and for all the ways that God has blessed us so we can be a blessing to others. It is a time to reflect and reorient our lives toward the will of God in gratitude for the hopes and blessings we have received.

Faith Pledge Sunday is like that. We pray and seek God knowing that our full devotion to the Creator is where our greatest hope and fullest abundance and joy lies. We then commit to giving our tithes, our other amount if that is not feasible, as well as our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness to God and the local church so the good news of God's reign of love may be shared with our neighbors and so we can join together in solidarity with those in need around us. We give in these ways because we know nothing brings greater joy than participating in the call to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

As we prepare for Faith Pledge Sunday, you will be receiving your pledge packets soon. Andrea will be passing those out to you on Sundays and will mail those that need to be mailed. Please be in prayer in the coming weeks for how we can join together in ministry.

*Grace and peace,
Rev. J.D. Allen*

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**Chapel Hill UMC**

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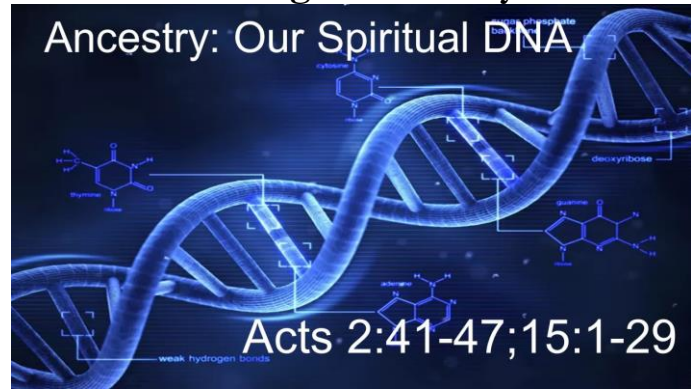
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## Prayer List

|                  |                           |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| CHUMC Home Bound | Sam Orton                 |
| The Gee Family   | Gloria (Pinson) Ming      |
| Tom Sanders      | Judy Bull                 |
| Danny Halron     | Steph Rayes               |
| Tim Harrison     | Anne Richardson's family  |
| Jim Taylor       | Juan Torres' friend Issic |
| Grandma Gloria   | Juan Torres' friend Ray   |
| Yvette's kids    | Family of Archie Shivar   |
| Betty Garrison   | Family of Susan Maxwell   |
| Edrese Hanigan   | Family of Mark Calverley  |
| Evelyn Womble    | David Loper               |
| Ralph Minton     | Hurricane Ian victims     |
| Kevin Patterson  | Ukraine                   |
| Ruth Fuls        | Mass Shooting Victims     |

## Coming this Sunday!



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## UM Student Day - November 6

We will receive this special offering of the UMC as our November Communion offering. This special offering supports scholarships for United Methodist student leaders of tomorrow entering all professions. This offering becomes all the more important with the rapidly rising cost of higher education. Please be in prayer for how you can support this offering.

## All Saints Day

Sunday, November 6

## Thanksgiving Feast

We are beginning to plan for our Thanksgiving Feast and need some information from the congregation. It will be right after worship on the Sunday before Thanksgiving (Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>). It will help tremendously if you let us know if you are coming and how many quests you will bring. It will also help us if you know you will NOT be there.

## Pledge Sunday is November 20.

You will be receiving your pledge packets from Andrea Rains soon. Please be in prayer concerning how you will support the ministries of CHUMC.

## Bible Year 2022 Readings

|               |                  |
|---------------|------------------|
| Tues. Nov. 1  | Acts 15:22-17:34 |
| Weds. Nov. 2  | Acts 18:1-20:38  |
| Thurs. Nov. 3 | Acts 21:1-23:35  |
| Fri. Nov. 4   | Acts 24:1-26:32  |
| Sat. Nov. 5   | Acts 27:1-28:31  |
| Sun. Nov. 6   | Rom. 1:1-3:20    |
| Mon. Nov. 7   | Rom. 3:21-5:21   |

## Join Us for Online Worship!

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**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)



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|----------------|-------|----------------|-------|
| Martha Johnson | 11/3  | Vin Scheihagen | 11/16 |
| Steve Bandy    | 11/6  | Neela Metzger  | 11/17 |
| Donna Daggett  | 11/12 | Carol Rose     | 11/28 |
| Claudia O'Shea | 11/14 | M Bandy        | 11/28 |
|                |       | Evelyn Womble  | 11/30 |