April 17, 2023

Pastor's Message

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Chapel Hill UMC
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Yesterday, we began a new sermon series that will encompass the liturgical season of Easter: The Viral Lamb of Love. Rest assured this is not a series prophesying that some lamb will be the epicenter of a new pandemic. Rather this series looks at Jesus as the Lamb of God, whose love is and will continue to be the greatest viral sensation spreading across the globe.

Even if you do not spend a great deal of time on the internet, you may be aware of what it means for something or someone to go viral. A person, say a social media influencer, or a meme or video catches people's attention on social media. Maybe they love it. Maybe they hate it. But they share it with their friends, who share it with their friends, who share it with their friends. This cycle continues until 100's of thousands or even millions of people have shared the viral sensation to the point where you can get a reaction in a gathering by referencing one small aspect about it. It has gone viral.

This series asserts that Jesus, as the Lamb of God, the Lamb of Love, is the viral sensation we all need. God's love continues to spread across the globe offering hope to all creation. Yesterday, we considered how the Risen Lamb's presence is always with us and how God's grace comes to us especially when our faith is wavering.

We hope you will join us as we continue through the series:

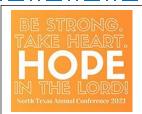
April 23 - The Viral Lamb of Love: Persistence, Luke 24:13-35 April 30 - The Viral Lamb of Love: Recognized, John 10:1-10 May 7 - The Viral Lamb of Love: Hospitality, John 14:1-14 May 14 - The Viral Lamb of Love: Participation, John 14:15-21 May 21 - The viral Lamb of Love: Blessing, Luke 24:44-53

Grace and peace, Rev. J.D. Allen



Prayer List

CHUMC Homebound Mike Hill (Barbara Tatum's son-in-law) The Gee Family Gay Keim (Kandy Tom Sander Burdette's sister-in-Danny Halron law) Grandma Gloria Eleanor Body Kathy Reynolds Yvette's kids (Barbara Tatum's Edrese Hanigan Daughter) Kevin Patterson Scott Malone (Iris Shivar's nephew) Sam Orton **Evelyn Womble** Gloria (Pinson) Ming Leonard Calverley Judy Bull Karen Davis Scott Fletcher Christel Hensley and **Family** Jim Cranford Family of Gloria Margaret Young **Dennison Ming** Martha Johnson Arlington Lamar High School Community Don Oldfield Thomas Jefferson High Phyllis Hendrix School Community Martha Johnson Mass shooting victims



Join us in June for Annual Conference

Mark your calendar for the 2023 North Texas Annual Conference, an opportunity for us to gather to worship, learn, pray and proclaim what it means to truly be the church.

Annual Conference: June 11-13 at Christ UMC Plano

Laity Session: June 11 at First UMC Plano

Registration opens the week of April 24. Additional details, including childcare, maps, meals, speakers and more, will be available then.

Church Office Hours

Monday through Thursday

10 AM – 2 PM

For pastoral appointments outside of office hours, you may call the office to schedule.

If you have a pastoral care emergency outside of office hours, please contact our Senior Pastor, Rev. J.D. Allen at (972) 467-7756.

Join Us for Online Worship!

YouTube: bit.ly/CHUMCYouTube

Facebook: www.facebook.com/chapelhillumc

Announcements

<u>Family Ministries Council Meeting</u>, Sunday, April 23rd at 11:30 AM.

All Church Meeting, Sunday, April 30th at 11:30 AM

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



Craig	Davis	4/2	Linda	Pace	4/18
Dave	Horton	4/3	Sarah	Womble	4/23
Corky	Rawdon	4/3	Larry	Rains	4/27
Jill	Cox	4/13	Fred	Maxwell	4/29