



# Chapel Hill

## United Methodist Church

July 10, 2023

### Pastor's Message

CHUMC Family,

Well, friends, the first of the series of series this Summer, The Path of the Disciple: Learning to Grow, is in the books. We explored the reality that embracing the call of discipleship is sometimes, if not often, difficult and challenging. However, we remembered God is present with us on a journey of discipleship helping us to grow along the way and move on toward perfection in love by God's grace. We also explored that the willingness to push on will lead to a closer connection with God and all our neighbors.

We turn the page this week and begin the second of the series of series, The Path of the Disciple: Imagining a New Reality. In this series, we will not find that discipleship is no longer challenging and difficult. We will discover, though, the reason for our optimism, our hope. We will not put on rose-colored glasses and pretend as is well, but we will embrace with hope the belief that our fellowship, charity, and justice work remains a force for good in the world. We will recognize that through our work, hearts and minds will be changed to turn toward God and neighbor in love just as our minds are daily being changed about God and all our neighbors by God's grace and love. We will also embrace with optimism the new reality that God has promised and will bring about that new reality in us, through us, and sometimes despite us.

As we embrace this hope, the series will be as follows:

- July 16 - The Path of the Disciple: Imagining a New Reality: Seeds in the Dirt
- July 23 - The Path of the Disciple: Imagining a New Reality: Shine Like the Sun
- July 30 - The Path of the Disciple: Imagining a New Reality: Hidden and Mixed In

I look forward to worshipping with you as we explore our hope together.

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

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## Prayer List

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| CHUMC Homebound       | Family (Loper) of          |
| The Gee Family        | Eleanor Body               |
| Tom Sander            | Kathy Reynolds             |
| Grandma Gloria        | (Barbara Tatum's           |
| Yvette's kids         | Daughter)                  |
| Edrese Hanigan        | Scott Malone (Iris         |
| Kevin Patterson       | Shivar's nephew)           |
| Sam Orton             | Evelyn Womble              |
| Judy Bull             | Leonard Calverley          |
| Scott Fletcher        | Charles Cancellare         |
| Jim Cranford          | Habib Khoury               |
| Don Oldfield          | Iris Shivar's sister Bea   |
| Phyllis Hendrix       | Iris Shivar's sister Janet |
| Martha Johnson        | Hiett                      |
| Mike Hill (Barbara    | Aaron Brooks               |
| Tatum's son-in-law)   | Pat McCourtney             |
| David Oldfield        | Matt McCourtney            |
| Gay Keim (Kandy       | Mass shooting victims      |
| Burdette's sister-in- |                            |
| law)                  |                            |

**Concerned, curious, want to talk about unification?** Participate in a Zoom focus group: In anticipation of a proposed unification of the Central, Northwest and North Texas Conferences in 2024, the Conferences are seeking input from clergy and laity alike. Participants will be asked:

What do you appreciate most about your Conference?

How would you like to see a new Conference carry out its mission in the future (staffing, programs, budget, etc.)?

The leader of the focus groups will be John Wimberly, an experienced congregational and judicatory consultant. The meetings will be 60-90 minutes. You have 3 dates to choose from July 17 at 3 PM, July 22 at 10 AM, and July 27 at 7 PM.

Register: <https://ntcumc.org/focus-group>



Volunteers needed Saturdays,  
June 3<sup>rd</sup> through July 29<sup>th</sup>  
Sign up sheet in the Narthex

## 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](https://bit.ly/CHUMCYoutube)

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/chapelhillumc](https://www.facebook.com/chapelhillumc)

**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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|----------|---------|------|----------|------------|------|--------|----------|------|
| Adam     | Lubbers | 7/7  | Becky    | Thompson   | 7/11 | John   | Fuls     | 7/14 |
| Danielle | Kindred | 7/9  | Sherry   | Vineyard   | 7/11 | Daniel | Bandy    | 7/17 |
| Judy     | Bull    | 7/10 | Walter   | Hodges     | 7/12 | Edrese | Hanigan  | 7/18 |
| Nathan   | Freeman | 7/11 | Tom      | Wooldridge | 7/12 | Nick   | Hendrick | 7/23 |
| Ava      | Allen   | 7/11 | Mitchell | Davis      | 7/14 | Nancy  | Putnam   | 7/25 |