



Chapel Hill

United Methodist Church

August 7, 2023

Pastor's Message



CHUMC family,

Chapel Hill UMC
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In his July opinion piece on July 12, Bishop Saenz identified four main outcomes which will demonstrate our commitment to the United Methodist mission "to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world." These outcomes are:

- 1) assisting individuals in deepening their love for God,
- 2) to spread the message of new and abundant life in Christ,
- 3) to serve others, especially those facing poverty, and
- 4) to pursue mercy and God's justice to promote whole and flourishing lives for all.

He then explained how our United Methodist beliefs equip us for this task. The first of these beliefs is embracing the sacred worth of all individuals and the beauty of the diversity they hold. This is a summary of Article 4 of our Constitution in the Book Discipline of the United Methodist Church. Article 4 states, "all persons are of sacred worth. All persons without regard to race, color, national origin, status, or economic condition are eligible..." to be a part of or local churches. This also affirms Galatians 3:28 which explains that in Christ "is no longer Jew or Gentile, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male or female."

As you are likely aware, Paragraph 161 of the BOD within our Social Principles reaffirms this belief while also qualifying this assertion in relation to our LGBTQ+ neighbors. This has been the greatest reason for the conflict that has existed in the UMC since 1972. As we move past the season of disaffiliation, there is a desire to reconcile these differences and move forward together in peace rather than in pieces allowing local churches and clergy to follow their convictions which will provide spaces within the UMC for the full inclusion of our LGBTQ+ neighbors.

The affirmation of Article 4 also instructs that we will not only welcome all as "people of sacred worth created in the image of God," but that we will work for the equal rights of all in our churches, in the Church, and in society. In whatever ways people may be dehumanized, we as United Methodists will share the fullness of God's love with them and affirm their human dignity, for all of (us) are one in Christ Jesus."



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

Prayer List

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

Annual Laity Event

Aug. 12, 2023

What: Hope in Resurrection is the theme of this year's annual laity event hosted by the Conference Committee on Lay Servant Ministries along with the Board of Laity of the North Texas Conference.

When: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Aug. 12

Program: Will be led by Rev. Danielle Buwon Kim, the NTC's Associate Director for Research and Development. It will include a panel discussion by laity engaged in exciting new ministries, followed by a Q&A.

In person: at Aldersgate UMC
3926 Old Denton Road, Carrollton, TX 75007

Online: A link will be emailed to you Aug. 10.

Registration: The deadline is Aug. 9.

<https://ntcumc.org/laity-event-2023>

Announcements

The CHUMC Chancel Choir will resume regular rehearsals this Wednesday, August 9, from 7:30 to 9pm. Join us in making a joyful noise to the Lord!



Lunch Sunday, August 20th at 11:30 AM, for the congregation's help in donating for the kids to go to camp.

Family Ministries Council Meeting, Sunday, August 27th at 11:30 AM in the ABC Room.

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

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	8/04	Yvette Ysaguirre	8/18
Kate Whitaker Hendrick	8/06	Pam Hodges	8/20
J.J. Mendoza	8/08	Kassie Hampton	8/21
Gaje Allen	8/11	Meredith Freeman	8/23
Jonathon Fehlau	8/14		