October 9, 2023

Pastor's Message

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Yesterday we celebrated Laity Sunday in which we celebrate the work and mission of all laity in the church both within the church and daily lives. Laity Sunday and the role of laity in the church is a Pentecost reality. While some are appointed to specific, ordained roles in the church, all people in the church have received the Holy Spirit and are empowered to share the good news of God's love with our community.

The vision we share is that we will be followers of Jesus seeking the loving, just, and free world which God imagines for all people. We are all equipped by God's grace for this work. Ultimately, this work is about building community where people can find refuge from the chaos of their lives and hope for their future. It is an act of receiving and giving grace that connects people with the presence of God and transforms lives.

You may be aware that the Wesleyan movement was founded by clergymen John and Charles Wesley. In the American Methodist form of the movement, it was driven for a long period overwhelmingly by laity. The Revolutionary War led the Anglicans to call back all their clergy from the colonies, John Wesley took it upon himself, having no institutional authority to do so to appoint a few bishops whom he sent to the states. And those few bishops equipped laity who formed churches. This lay movement would continue as the laity spread across the frontier, founded churches, and, then, would send for clergy to be appointed to serve them.

Laity Sunday is about you. It's about the church. The laity are the hands and feet that fulfill God's mission in creation.

Grace and peace, Rev. J.D. Allen



Prayer List

CHUMC Home Bound The Gee Family Tom Sander Grandma Gloria Yvette's kids Edrese Hanigan Kevin Patterson Sam Orton Judy Bull Scott Fletcher Jim Cranford Don Oldfield Martha Johnson Mike Hill (Barbara Tatum's son-in-law) David Oldfield Gay Keim (Kandy Burdette's sister-inlaw) Judy Charvat Linda Horton Kathy Reynolds (Barbara Tatum's Daughter)

Scott Malone (Iris Shivar's nephew) **Evelyn Womble** Leonard Calverley Charles Cancellare Iris Shivar's sister Bea Iris Shivar's sister Janet Hiett Aaron Brooks Pat McCourtney Matt McCourtney Rev. J.D. Allen Minister Kate Whitaker Hendrick Nancy Putnam Barrett Family on loss of extended family member Maui & Louisiana wildfire victims Hurricane Idalia victims Mass shooting victims Morocco Earthquake victims



Notes For A New Day Join Central and North Texas United Methodists as we read, pray, and meditate for a rotation of conference clergy, staff and delegates to our general and jurisdictional conferences in our daily devotional emails.

https://www.notesforanewday.com/

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

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<u>Announcements</u>

Pledge Sunday is November 19.

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

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



George	Johnson	2-Oct	Robert	Putnam	24-Oct
Doe	Payne	6-Oct	Jim	Hanigan	25-Oct
Iris	Shivar	15-Oct	Jan	Wooldridge	29-Oct
Madeleine	Davis	18-Oct	Charles	Wood	30-Oct
Wilson	Moore	18-Oct	Leslie	Ochoa-Funez	30-Oct
Christopher	Younger	20-Oct	Joe	DeLeon	30-Oct
Oscar	Lopez	20-Oct	Denise	Maxwell	31-Oct
Wesley	Freeman	21-Oct			