



# Chapel Hill

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## United Methodist Church

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February 19, 2024

### Pastor's Message



#### *Chapel Hill UMC*

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CHUMC family,

This past Saturday, we held our annual Advance meeting, where 10-12 of us gathered to finalize much of our planning for 2024 and prepare spiritually for ministry this year.

We began with Lee Willhite sharing a story about a youth camp which got off to a rough start when one of the campers broke their arm in an accident, leaving the pastor serving as a counselor wondering if he had let his supervisory guard down and feeling rather disappointed that he had let that happen. Later in the week, though, a monarch butterfly appeared in the midst of one of their group devotionals grabbing everyone's attention, including the boy now wearing a cast who the butterfly rested on bringing great joy to the boy, the pastor and the rest of the group. The pastor shared how the butterfly, which is historically viewed as a symbol of resurrection, brought transformation in that moment.

We then participated in a team building activity where we took a stack of pictures from CHUMC's history and had to try and arrange them chronologically. The groups did pretty well, However, there was the one black-and-white photo presumed to be from the early days of CHUMC that turned out to be a late eighties youth trip. Nevertheless, the groups had a wonderful time taking a trip down memory lane, seeing faces from the past, and reflecting on the wonderful ministry, service, and fellowship that has taken place among the people of CHUMC over the years.

This year, these two themes come together. CHUMC has been a wonderful place of ministry and disciple making over the years. However, for a number of reasons CHUMC has been in decline for some time and struggled to regain its footing. However, I trust as we continue through our time of prayer and discernment, I am certain we will have our monarch butterfly moment. There will be a resurrection of life at CHUMC. I cannot tell you at this time what that moment will look like but join with us in prayer and let's remain vigilantly aware, so it will be clear when it arrives.

You can join with us in prayer through our Lenten Breakthrough Prayer Initiative which can be accessed [here](#).

*Grace and peace,*

*Rev. J.D. Allen*

## Prayer List

CHUMC Homebound	Matthew Shivar
The Gee Family	Habib Khoury
Tom Sanders	Janis Coggshall
Grandma Gloria	Carl Young, Jr.
Yvette's kids	Lynda Lyon (Iris Shivar's Cousin)
Edrese Hanigan	Gary Fuls
Judy Bull	David Loper
Don Oldfield	The Family of Evelyn Womble
Mike Hill (Barbara Tatum's son-in-law)	The Family of Jim Morgan Cranford
Gay Keim (Kandy Burdette's sister-in-law)	Mass shooting victims
Charles Cancellare	Chilean Wildfire Victims
Aaron Brooks	California Flood Victims
Jim Cranford and Family	Peace, healing, & restoration in war torn areas
Ilene Oldfield	
Gail Hanigan	



Easter lilies may be ordered for \$15 each. They will decorate our sanctuary on Easter Sunday. An insert honoring or remembering your loved one(s) will be placed in the bulletin. Your flower(s) will be available to take home after the Easter service. All orders are due by NOON on Sunday, March 3rd.

Order forms are available at the ends of the pews and in the hallway or you can call the church office for assistance.

## Church Office Hours

Regular Office hours are  
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.

## Announcements

Our **February Outreach** collection will be for the Farmers Branch Animal Shelter. We will be collecting dog and cat food (both wet and dry), treats, cat litter, small animal food, and bedding. We want to show our furry community members all the love this month! If you have any questions, please contact Meredith Freeman.

**Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**, there will be a Brown Bag Fellowship Lunch after worship.

**Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>** there will be a Family Ministries Meeting after worship at 11:30 AM.

**Our Communion Offering** on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> will support UMCOR.

## **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)



Brianna	Lopez	6-Feb
Veronica	Law	12-Feb
Habib	Khoury	24-Feb
Sarah	Baird	26-Feb
Kathy	Scheihagen	26-Feb