

March 11, 2024

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Chapel Hill UMC Staff

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CHUMC family,

A young athlete longs to be the best they can be. They work on skills. They practice. They lift weights. They run. They see tremendous improvement and start to have real success in competition. They start to think, "Maybe I have arrived."

Pastor's Message

That's when the coach's voice fills their ears. "Keep pushing. Keep striving. You haven't reached the destination yet. You are capable of far more than you realize."

"But, Coach, I'm tired. I'm winded and dehydrated. I've given all I can."

"Nah. Dig deep. You have even more within you. Trust me. Listen to me. The journey can be even greater."

The young athlete accepts the journey is ongoing. They trust a coach who earned their trust by being there for them no matter what. They continue to grow and pass benchmarks they never believed they would reach in their lives.

The Wesleyan Way of Salvation can seem arduous at times. It points us to a lifetime of continued growth in Christ. Growth in love. Growth in the ways and extent in which we offer the grace and love to others that God has shown to us.

We are tempted to be content. We're afraid of the consequences of the next step in love. We're comfortable. We're tired. We're winded and spiritually dehydrated. But God whispers in our ear, "I have something even greater for you."

But it's all about grace. We don't push on to earn God's love. We push on because God has earned our love and trust. God has offered an unearned forgiveness and empowered us to be who God is leading us to be. God gives renewed hydration in the Jesus Christ, the living water, and a second wind as the Holy Spirit breathes into our souls.



The journey continues and will be greater than we ever imagined.

Grace and peace,

Rev. J.D. Allen

Prayer List

CHUMC Homebound The Gee Family Tom Sanders Grandma Gloria Yvette's kids Judy Bull Mike Hill (Barbara Tatum's son-in-law) Gay Keim (Kandy Burdette's sister-inlaw) Charles Cancellare Aaron Brooks Jim Cranford and Family Matthew Shivar Habib Khoury Janis Coggshall Carl Young, Jr.

Lynda Lyon (Iris Shivar's Cousin) Gary Fuls Mark Loper Joanne Marchant Claudia Marchant The Family of Evelyn Womble The Family of Jim Morgan Cranford Mass shooting victims West Texas Wildfire Victims California Flood Victims Peace, healing, & restoration in war torn areas

<u>Announcements</u>

Our **March Mission Emphasis** is Metrocrest Services. Urgent pantry needs are feminine hygiene products, canned soup, toilet paper, toothpaste, diapers, and cereal. Please bring your donations to CHUMC throughout the month of March. You may also give using the Metrocrest Services <u>Amazon</u> <u>Wishlist</u> or donate online <u>here</u>.

Sunday, March 24th we will have a Potluck after worship at 11:30 am.

Holy Week, Maundy Thursday, March 28th and Good Friday, March 29th will be at 7 PM at Christ UMC.

Chili Cook Off, Sunday April 14th from 4-6 PM. Tickets are \$5 per adult – Children are free! Enter your Chili and/or stop by for all the tastings.

It's Frisco RoughRider Baseball Time Again!

There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway. Once there are enough people signed up, the tickets will be ordered. The deadline to sign up is Sunday, March 17th. The dates chosen are either April 27, May 11, or May 25, as the Saturday to go; however, until we have the commitments and order the tickets we will not know where the seats will be nor the cost. For your planning purposes, figure the tickets will be no more than \$27.00 each and we will get the best seats available at the time, plus a \$10.00 food credit. You don't have to pay until the tickets have been ordered but you can.

Any questions, please contact Tom Wooldridge.

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.

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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**: <u>office@chapelhillumc.org</u>



JD	Allen	8-Mar
Cindi	Moore	11-Mar
Anna	Schulz	12-Mar
Lee	Willhite	15-Mar
Haley	Byrd	16-Mar
Kelly	Lopez	17-Mar