



Chapel Hill

United Methodist Church

December 2, 2024

Pastor's Message



Chapel Hill UMC

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CHUMC Family,

Yesterday we began the season of Advent. Our current worship series for Advent & Christmas focuses on remembering our Christmas traditions and songs as we seek to start the new liturgical year by growing closer to Christ and placing our trust more fully in God.

In Advent, we look to the events of the past as recorded in our scriptures through our traditions and music to look toward the end of time. Advent is a time of preparation and watchfulness that prepares us by recollecting the past of God's faithfulness in Jesus which assures of God's faithfulness to fulfill the promise of the Reign of God in the future and remind us in the present that that reign exists now and is taking shape. With such hope, we aim to become a future-based people living into that future today by living out the holiness of loving God and neighbor with the belief that God is with us today.

Perhaps our recent past or our present is troubling us. The loss of a loved one. Financial struggles. Illness. Planning for the future as we age. Continued cultural polarization and the resulting family tensions during the holidays. There is a great deal in life that creates justifiable angst or anxiety that requires our attention. In moments like these we might wonder where we can turn for hope.

The God who came to make a home among us and lead us toward a future where everything wrong will be made right is with us. God's presence is never more noticeable than in our adversity. The God who created us and was present with us in Christ in the past, is with us today, and calls us toward the glorious future where God's love reigns.

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



Prayer List

CHUMC Home Bound	Corky Rawdon
The Gee Family	Carolyn Curtis
Yvette's kids	Pat Moore
Matthew Shivar	Rev. J.D.'s Brother-In-Law
Aaron Brooks	Caleb Whitaker
Lynda Lyon (Iris Shivar's Cousin)	Yvette's Mom, Patricia
Judy Bull	Jim Taylor
Janis Coggshall	Amy Vuong's Brother
David Loper	The Family of Sam Garrison
Claudia Marchant	Shepherd Resources
Terri Moore	Mass Shooting Victims
Julia and David Knutt	Peace, healing, & restoration in war torn areas
Stacey Ramsey	Hurricanes Helene and Milton Victims
Ruby Wiechman	
Mike Tatum	
Kaye Bandy	
Gary Fuls	
John Fuls	

Calendar of Events

Weekly Events	Tuesdays, Bible Study 7 pm Wednesdays, Chancel Choir 7:30 pm Sundays, Adult Sunday School 9:15 am
December	Mission Emphasis: Giving Tree/Mercy Ships
Sunday, December 1	Communion Offering: Synergy Wesley Ministries
Sunday, December 1	Family Ministries Meeting 11:30 am
Wednesday, December 4	Charge Conference 7 pm
Saturday, December 7	Texas Boys Choir Christmas Concert, 7 pm at Spring Valley UMC
Sunday, December 8	Children/Youth Lunch/Christmas Party 12:00 pm
Sunday, December 15	Brown Bag Fellowship Lunch 11:30 am
Tuesday, December 24	Christmas Eve. Candlelight Service 7:00 pm
Wednesday, December 25	Christmas Day – Church Office is Closed
Thursday, December 26	Church Office is Closed

Announcements

- Our Mission Emphasis for December is to support the **GIVING TREE – GENESIS WOMEN'S SHELTER**. See the list of needs on the table in the Narthex.
- **Charge Conference** is Wednesday, December 4th at 7 PM.
- **Texas Boys Choir Christmas Concert**, December 7th at 7 pm at Spring Valley UMC.
- **Children/Youth Lunch/Christmas Party**, Sunday, December 8th at 12 PM

Join Us for Online Worship!

YouTube: bit.ly/CHUMCYouTube

Facebook: www.facebook.com/chapelhillumc

Church Office Hours

Regular Office hours are
Monday through Thursday
10 AM – 2 PM

If you have a pastoral care emergency outside of office hours, please contact our Senior Pastor, Rev. J.D. Allen at (972) 467-7756.

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



Melanie	Willhite	4-Dec
Kandy	Burdette	13-Dec
Matt	Schulz	16-Dec
David	Ricks	24-Dec
Riley	Dobbs	26-Dec