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A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

“My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting... but my kingdom is not from the world.”
John 18:36

Be a good citizen. Care about the government and our upcoming elections. Go vote. And remember "My kingdom is not of this world," spoken by Jesus in John 18:36, encapsulates a profound theological truth about the nature of Christ's reign. This statement underscores that Jesus' kingdom is spiritual rather than political or territorial. It signifies a realm characterized by divine principles, such as love, justice, and grace, transcending earthly power structures and human conflicts.

In this context, believers are called to live according to the values of this kingdom, which often stand in contrast to worldly norms. The kingdom of God emphasizes humility, service, and sacrifice, reflecting the character of Christ. This perspective encourages Christians to engage with the world without becoming entangled in its divisive and often destructive patterns. Do we know anything about divisiveness in America today?

Jesus's Kingdom challenges Christians to focus on eternal realities rather than temporal concerns. It invites a transformative way of life, fostering hope and purpose rooted in the promise of God's ultimate reign. As followers of Christ, believers are called to be ambassadors of this kingdom, embodying its principles and proclaiming its message, ultimately pointing others to the hope found in Jesus, the King. As political tension ramps up and the inevitable excuses in the aftermath spew forth, remember where our hope comes from and set your minds on your role as a subject of the true King. Pray that His kingdom will come, on earth, as it is in heaven. Maranatha Lord Jesus.

*In Christ alone,
 Pastor Dinkins*

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Address

600 Old Lexington Hwy.
 Chapin, SC 29036

Sunday Services

Worship Service - 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School - 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

Follow Us For Updates!



HIS + KIDZ

BIG SUNDAY

BIG Sunday is back on October 6! During the Sunday School hour, our children ages 3 to 4th grade will go from their Sunday School classes back into the sanctuary for a large group style lesson and worship time together!

MEMORY VERSE

Our memory verse for the month is Isaiah 25:1, "Oh Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure."

The preschool version is "Lord, I will praise Your name."

KIDZ WORSHIP CLUB

Our Kidz Worship Club is in full swing and there is still room for more friends to join us! We meet weekly from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. in Room 223. We'd love to have you join us!

HIS KIDZ SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

Oct. 6 (BIG Sunday)- Paul Went to Rome
(Acts 27-28)

Oct. 13- Paul Preached in Rome (Acts 28)

Oct. 20- We Are Here to Make Much of Jesus
(1 Thess. 4-5)

Oct. 27- NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
(Anniversary Sunday)

Here's a link to the memory verse song:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IXM8R9hxmJs>

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

October is when we begin collecting items for Operation Christmas Child! Please pick up a box in the lobby to fill, or bring items to donate for our GRAVITY box-filling party on Sunday, November 17. This is a fun way to get your whole family involved in sharing the love of Christ with children across the world!

GRAVITY

5-6TH GRADE MINISTRY

UPDATES

Every Sunday, our GRAVITY group meets for Sunday School in Room 222. This month, we will continue our study on the book of Acts with Mrs. Anna Mary Forrest. We hope to see all of our 5th-6th graders there on Sunday mornings!

Our October memory verse is Jeremiah 7:23, "Obey my voice and I will be your God and you shall be my people. And walk in all the ways that I have commanded you that it may be well with you."

G-TIME

Our GRAVITY G-TIME group meets on Sunday evenings from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. We will eat together, play games, and grow in God's Word and would love to see you there!

GRAVITY SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

Oct 6- Acts Chap 8

Oct 13- Acts Chap 9:1-31

Oct 20- Acts Chap 9:32 - 11:18

Oct 27- NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
(Anniversary Sunday)

G-TIME SCHEDULE

Oct. 6- G-TIME at CPC

Oct. 13- NO G-TIME (Fall Break Weekend)

Oct. 20- Sunday Connect
Dinner and Discipleship

Oct. 27- G-TIME at CPC

REFORMED

STUDENT MINISTRY

CAMP CEDAR CLIFF

The Cedar Cliff Retreat dates are November 22nd-24th. The cost is \$200/student. Please contact Jason via email (vickjason@hotmail.com) to sign up. Include shirt size in the email as well. The deadline for letting us know that your student will plan to attend is October 1st! Also let us know if anyone is interested in being a chaperone. A few have already signed up. Thank you! Payments can be submitted online through Realm by choosing the "Youth Trip" in the drop down (Give - Chapin Presbyterian).

Please do not let the cost keep you from attending. If your student would like to attend and needs financial assistance, please reach out to Clint Peters or Jason Vick to discuss.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Our annual Youth We Care food drive is coming up! The Youth will distribute grocery bags to homes in the community for food donations to We Care on Sunday, October 27th. The following Sunday afternoon, November 3rd at 3:30 p.m., we will meet at the church to begin picking up the grocery bags. This is a great opportunity to support We Care and our community!

We have an opportunity to partner with Good Works of Chapin for their one night live nativity on December 10. It's only October, but Christmas will be here before we know it, and now is the time to commit to volunteering for this special event. Please consider signing up as soon as possible for a thirty-minute slot for the live nativity at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0848A4A728AB9-50932948> Good slots are still available!

Reach out to Jill Stauffer at jillstauffer@sc.rr.com for additional details. Also be on the lookout for additional upcoming opportunities to serve with our Mercy Team at We Care!

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

October 1st - DEADLINE for Camp Registration!

October 2nd & 3rd - Small Groups

October 6th - Reformed Community Night

October 7th & 8th - Small Groups

October 13th - Reformed Community Night

October 14th & 15th - Small Groups

October 20th - Sunday Connect

October 21st & 22nd - Small Groups

October 27th - Reformed Community Night

We Care Drive

October 30th & 31st - Small Groups

REFORMED COMMUNITY NIGHT

Our youth meets on Sunday nights from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. We share a meal and study God's Word. Please pick up your student on these evenings no later than 7:15 p.m. In case of emergency and you are not able to make it, contact Jason Vick at (803) 673-1084. If your student drives and chooses to stay later, please be aware that the volunteers will not be responsible for them past 7:15 p.m.

SMALL GROUPS

Small groups meet weekly working through a study on the Sermon on the Mount. Groups meet at the church from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

- High School guys are led by Clint Peters and Peter Prim and meet on Wednesdays.
- High School girls are led by Cindy Knowles and Diane Sherrard and meet on Wednesdays.
- Middle School guys are led by Buck Balentine and Jason Vick and meet on Thursdays.
- Middle School girls are led by Cat Arrowood and meet on Wednesdays.

VOLUNTEERS

We are always in need of volunteers! If you would like to learn more, please do not hesitate to reach out. Thank you all! ~Jason Vick



Women's Ministry

LADIES NIGHT OUT

The next LNO is planned for November 7th. Contact Fran Ricks to make your reservation at (803) 528-3222. Be on the lookout for details about locations.

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS BOOK STUDY

We have two groups that are reading through The Pilgrim's Progress. There's a night time study at Mary Wilkins' house from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. (Remaining dates are Oct. 7, Oct. 21, Nov. 4, Nov. 18 and Dec. 2). There is also a daytime group meeting on Mondays from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m., through Dec. 2nd at the church. Hope you can try and make some of these times together!

CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP

Mark your calendars for December 3rd! Location to be determined.

MERCY MINISTRY

MERCY TEAM CONSTRUCTION

November 22-23 the Mercy Team will construct the Nativity Scene at Good Works. If can help, contact Sean Cassidy at (803) 271-4716 or David Inman at (803) 606-3859.

GOOD WORKS NATIVITY SCENE

December 10 we will partner with Good Works of Chapin for their live nativity. Consider volunteering for a thirty-minute slot. Contact Jill Stauffer at jillstauffer@sc.rr.com for additional details.

FIRST RESPONDERS LUNCHEON

*First Responders Appreciation Luncheon
Hosted by Chapin Presbyterian Church
November 8, 2024
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.*

All First Responders: Law Enforcement, EMS, 911 Dispatchers, Firefighters and support staff invited to attend. Come join us and enjoy excellent hospitality and a delicious sit down meal as the staff and members of Chapin Presbyterian Church show their gratitude for your hard work and tireless dedication in our community! Point of Contact: Chaplain Curt Snead, (803) 354-2133



CPC MEN

MEN MAGNIFYING CHRIST

MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Join us on Wednesday mornings at 6:30 a.m. throughout the summer at CPC.

There is also an evening group that meets every other Thursday from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the church. Contact Gary Butler for more information at (803) 600-5071.

RETIRED MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

RMBS meets on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in room 220. We are studying 1 Timothy. Contact Don Tyler for more information at tyle6544@bellsouth.net.

GOLF OUTING & LUNCHEON

Saturday, October 26th

First tee time will be at 8:00 a.m.

We will have Best Ball Teams with Handicap.

Green fees & cart, lunch, fellowship and prizes are all included for \$50/player.

Register by using the QR code to the right. Contact Gary Butler for more info.



SUNDAY >> CONNECT

DINNER & DISCIPLESHIP

Join us for our next Sunday Connect as we continue our study in the Parables. This is a churchwide gathering to fellowship and meet around God's Word then share a meal together.

The remaining dates this year are October 20 and November 24th.

You can register for the next meeting using the QR code to the right.



SAINTLY SENIORS

BLUE GRASS MUSIC & BBQ

If you remember rotary phones, you are invited to our Blue Grass Music & BBQ!

When: October 18th at 5:30 p.m.

Cost: \$5/person.

Registration: October 6th & 13th.

For more information contact Judy Weathersbee at (803) 606-3690.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



OCT 1	Angie Morvay Mary Helen Pridmore	OCT 8	Julie DesChamps Bauer Smith	OCT 25	Alba Eckstrom Chris Kleckley
OCT 2	Audrey Cook Joseph Venegas	OCT 9	Ellen Robertson		Nicole Perricelli
OCT 3	Byson Balentine Jody Butler Trudy Carter Lofton DuBose Wyatt Peters Retta Yandle	OCT 12	Benjamin Dinkins Larry Doster Candy Marra Thomas Ricks	OCT 26	Josie Weathersbee Emma Busby Davis Culler Wayne Gunter
OCT 4	Elizabeth Bemis Wade Kay Eli Lovelace	OCT 13	Shaffer Bowers	OCT 27	Danny Peagler Missy Prim Dennis Suber Kyle Zbytovsky
OCT 6	Wes Watts	OCT 15	Dale Campbell Sam Gonzales	OCT 28	Lois Bowers
OCT 7	Linnnet Gupta Jan Malone	OCT 17	Tripp Smith	OCT 30	Julianna Kay Susan Suber
		OCT 19	Suzie Pardee	OCT 31	Sandy Dinkins Audrey Doyle Jimmy Hancock
		OCT 20	Rebecca Davis Sheila Sargent		
		OCT 21	Hank Harvell Derrick Evans		
		Oct 23	Sandra Fulmer		

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

8:30 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
1st & 2nd Thessalonians (no nursery)	1st & 2nd Thessalonians Job Sermon Discussion

COMMUNION SUNDAY

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed during the worship service on October 6th. This is one of the most significant events in our church life and we encourage you to take time and ask God to search your heart in preparation for communion.

LET'S DO DINNER!

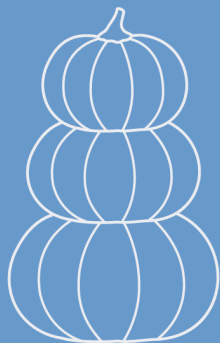
Have dinner in homes, at the church, at parks or restaurants. Whatever works best for your group! Enjoy a meal together one time each month for 4 months, January through April. Every month you will be paired with new people, possibly meeting 16 new folks in 4 months. On May 4th we will all get back together and celebrate the new friendships made! Sign ups: Now until October 18th by the coffeepot or through Realm; Couples, singles, friends and plus ones! Welcome all! Any questions contact Kathleen Shaffer at (803) 767-5839 or Mary Wilkins at (803) 394-5323.

POINSETTIAS

Every year we decorate our sanctuary with poinsettias for the advent season. The flowers can be purchased as memorials or honorariums to remember special people in our lives. Poinsettias are \$13.50 each and may be ordered until Sunday, November 10th. Look for order forms in your bulletin soon. Fill them out and place in the offering plate with checks payable to Chapin Presbyterian Church with "Poinsettia" in the memo line or you can pay online. Plants can be picked up after the Christmas Eve Service on December 24th.



October



TUESDAY - SUNDAY / OCTOBER 1 - 6
Ecuador Mission Trip

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 2
6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Retired Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Women of the Word Bible Study
6:30 PM Reformed Small Groups
7:00 PM Choir practice

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 3
6:30 PM Teacher & Facilitator Training

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 6
COMMUNION SUNDAY
BIG SUNDAY
8:30 AM Sunday School (no nursery)
9:30 AM Worship Service
10:45 AM Sunday School
4:00 PM Kidz Worship Club
5:00 PM G-Time & Reformed

MONDAY - OCTOBER 7
9:30 AM Ladies' Bible study
6:00 PM Ladies' Bible study
6:00 PM Session Meeting

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 9
6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Retired Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Women of the Word Bible Study
6:30 PM Reformed Small Groups
7:00 PM Choir practice

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 10
2:00 PM Good News Club
6:00 PM Men's Bible Study

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 13
8:30 AM Sunday School (no nursery)
9:30 AM Worship Service
10:45 AM Sunday School
4:00 PM Kidz Worship Club
5:00 PM G-Time & Reformed

MONDAY - OCTOBER 14
9:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study
6:30 PM Diaconate Meeting

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 16
6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Retired Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Women of the Word Bible study
6:30 PM Reformed Small Groups
7:00 PM Choir practice

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 17
2:00 PM Good News Club

FRIDAY - OCTOBER 18
5:30 PM - Saintry Seniors BBQ

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 20
8:30 AM Sunday School (no nursery)
9:30 AM Worship Service
10:45 AM Sunday School
4:00 PM Kidz Worship Club
5:00 PM Sunday Connect w/Youth

MONDAY - OCTOBER 21
9:30 AM Ladies' Bible study
6:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study
7:00 PM Missions Meeting/RM 211

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 23
6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Retired Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Women of the Word Bible Study
6:30 PM Reformed Small Groups
7:00 PM Choir

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 24
6:00 PM Men's Bible Study
2:00 PM Good News Club

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 26
8:00 AM Men's Golf Outing & Luncheon

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 27
ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY
8:30 AM Sunday School (no nursery)
10:00 AM Worship Service (no Sunday School)
11:30 AM Churchwide Luncheon (bring dessert)
4:00 PM Kidz Worship Club
5:00 PM G-Time & Reformed
5:00 PM Sunday Connect

MONDAY - OCTOBER 28
9:30 AM Ladies' Bible study

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 29
6:30 PM Facilities Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 30
6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Retired Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Women of the Word Bible Study
6:30 PM Reformed Small Groups
7:00 PM Choir practice

CHURCH STAFF INFORMATION

MAIN TELEPHONE NUMBER: 803.345.0500

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Jason Hunt, Assistant Pastor
Lisa Cain, Secretary
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Kayce Smith, Children's Director
Tim Smith, Audio Visual

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