NOVEMBER 2026

CHAPEL BELLS

A Letter From The Pastor

BY KEVIN ANDERSON

While the words “thank you” don’t quite seem adequate, Lanita and I would like to express our deepest gratitude to our chapel family for your thoughts and prayers, your cards, your phone calls, your text messages, your emails and your kindness to us when my mother, Janet Anderson, went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, October 25th.

While it was expected, it’s never easy to lose a loved one. However, we are thankful for the hope and the promise of heaven and know without a doubt that her faith became sight last Sunday evening and she is healed and with her Savior who she loved and faithfully served.

Thank you for your love and support and for ministering to us during this difficult time.

Faithfully,

Kevin

Upcoming Chapel Highlights

- **Thursday, November 5th – Chapel Day of Prayer.** Every day is a day of prayer for members of the chapel, but we have a special day each year when the sanctuary is open and set aside for all members to come to pray.You are encouraged to come and pray any time between 9 AM and 3 PM on Thursday, November 5th. Come and pray; stay as long as you desire, and pray for our church, our community, each other!

- **Saturday, November 7th – Chapel Workday.** A light lunch will be served. Come and stay as long as you are able or join us at any time throughout the day. All are welcome!

- **Sunday, November 8th – Congregational Meeting.** The meeting will immediately follow the worship service and be an opportunity to discuss and vote on the 2027 Operating Budget, revisions to the Chapel Bylaws and proposed capital improvements. Copies of the proposed budget were mailed on October 21st. Members may also view the letter online under the "Members" section of the Chapel website.(If you have not received the password for the "Members" section, please contact the Church Office.)

Coffee For Veterans

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, November 12th at 10 AM in the Fellowship Hall. We will be celebrating the Marine Corps' 251st Birthday. All veterans are welcome!

Coffee - Camaraderie - Connections



Pathfinder's Student Ministry

Our next Pathfinders will meet Sunday, **November 8th and Sunday, November 22nd, from 5:30-7:00 PM** in the Chapel Fellowship Hall. Come join us for food, games, and Bible study! For all students 6th grade – 12th grade.

Decorating The Chapel For Christmas

Monday November 30 at 9:00am

The Women's Ministry team will be decorating the chapel for Christmas on Monday November 30th @ 9 AM and we need volunteers to assist with the decorating! If you would like to volunteer, please plan to be at the church on November 30!



Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child

The collection date for all shoeboxes to be returned to the Chapel is **Sunday, November 8th**. Please return filled shoeboxes to the fellowship hall.Packing tips and gift ideas are available at the Chapel and online at www.samaritanspurse.org. Shoe Box packing will be on **Wednesday, November 11, 10:00 AM** in the Fellowship Hall.

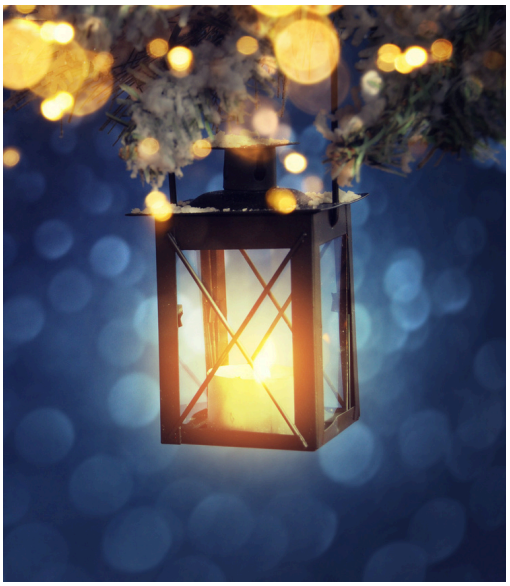
Christmas Angel Tree



Each year, the chapel has an Angel Tree with tags for children from Hickory Nut Gorge Outreach for you take and purchase gifts or gift cards for Christmas. Tags will be available on the Angel Tree **Sunday, November 8th** in the Fellowship Hall. Here are the details:

- The amount to be spent will be $50. ($50 gift card or $50 gift to include one clothing item and one toy.)
- Gifts will be turned in UNWRAPPED.
- Donations of boxes for clothing will be appreciated.
- All gifts will be turned in to the chapel and are due back to the chapel on **Sunday, November 29th.**
- We will be wrapping the gifts and preparing them for delivery to Hickory Nut Gorge Outreach on **Tuesday, December 1st at 10:00 AM** in the Fellowship Hall.

Volunteers are needed to help, so mark your calendars and make plans to join us!



Women's Ministry Christmas Lantern Craft Event

Friday, November 13th at 2:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Cost: $20 (Includes LED Candlelit Lantern and everything to decorate it for Christmas). If you have scissors, wire cutters, and/or a glue gun, please bring with you! There will be a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for your RSVP. All ladies are invited to join us!



Ladies Christmas Potluck Luncheon and Gift Exchange - Tuesday, December 15th - 11:30 AM

2026 Christmas Concert

Make plans now to attend and invite your neighbors to our Christmas Concert – **"A Season of Hope" on Saturday, December 5th at 4 PM.** We will enjoy the music of the FMC Choir, soloists and celebrate the season with a reception following the concert.



Volunteers Needed!!

Women's Ministry will be hosting a reception following the Christmas Concert on **Saturday, December 5** and we need your help! Volunteers are needed to provide baked goods (cookies, bars, brownies). Please, no cakes! If you would like to volunteer, **please RSVP on the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall and have your baked goods to the church by 3:00 PM on December 5th.**



One Call System Update

The Chapel employs a phone call and text system to alert the congregation members with announcements, including notifications during times of inclement weather. If you would like to receive the updates, please make sure the chapel office has your current cell phone number by contacting April Hill in the church office at 828-625-2411.

Online Chapel Directory Pictures

If you have not had your picture taken for our online chapel directory, please sign up on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. **Pictures will be taken Sundays, November 8 – December 13, from 9:30-9:45 AM.** You can also call the church office (625-2411) and schedule a time for a photo to be taken during the week.



Dear Chapel Family,

Thank you all so much for the prayers, encouragement, cards, and meals after my surgery. They were all appreciated more than you know. I feel blessed to be in a church that cares about its members.

Love to you all,
Sue Lewis

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