



August 23, 2026

*On mission to make and multiply disciples of Christ in our neighborhoods,
among the nations, and of the next generation.*

BEHOLD THE BEAUTY OF THE LORD



Ladies' Retreat

Our 2026 annual Ladies' Retreat will be **October 9-11** at Pinecrest. Debbie Young will speak over the theme, *Behold the Beauty of the Lord*, based on Psalm 27:4. Cost is \$150. **Register online now! Deadline to register is Sunday, September 6th.**

NEW HERE?

If you are a guest with us today, thank you for joining us - we are so glad you are here! We hope you enjoyed worshipping with us and that you will visit again soon. An elder will be at the welcome center after the service - we'd love to meet you and answer any questions you may have.



We invite you to fill out a **Connect Card** - simply **scan this QR code** with your phone's camera. Introduce yourself and let us know how we can pray for you or help you feel at home at The Chapel.

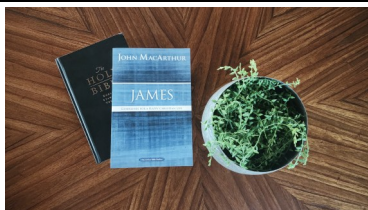
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SMALL GROUP RESOURCE

Our fall Small Groups are going through the book of James with a guided study titled, *James: Guidelines for a Happy Christian Life* by John MacArthur. This study is **now available in the lobby for a suggested donation of \$8.**



NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

On **September 6th**, we're launching **three new adult Sunday School** classes. A fourth will begin on September 27th. Classes shift studies each quarter so you can hop from class to class to explore different subjects and learn from various teachers. Find details on the Groups page of our Church Center app.



UPCOMING EVENTS

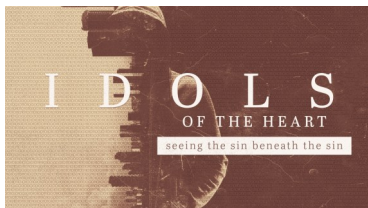
Party in the Park

Our church-wide Party in the Park will be **next Sunday, August 30th from 6-8pm** at Cape County Park South - we have shelter #24 reserved near Levi's Playground. This annual event includes a meal, plenty of conversation, games, and playground fun.



Fall Christian Growth Seminar

Join us for our 2026 Fall Christian Growth Seminar on **Saturday, September 12th from 9am-3pm**. During this seminar, guest speaker, Brad Bigney, will help us understand how our idols lead us to commit treason against the gospel - and finally repent and begin the process of change by turning to the only One who can fill our every need.



Register online now! Limited childcare available - first come first serve!



Sign Up for Upcoming Events

Scan the QR code to find more information & sign up for any of our upcoming events!

FALL MINISTRIES

Small Groups

Small groups will begin **the week of September 7th**. Small Groups provide learning opportunities, support, accountability, friendship, and allow us to do life together. These groups offer a safe place to dig into God's word and ask questions. This fall, our groups will walk through the book of James—seeing the importance of applying knowledge in everyday Christian living.



Reload - Youth Small Groups

Students in grades 7-12 alternate large and small group sessions each week. Wednesday nights include games, worship, teaching, discussions, and food.



What We Believe - Children's Program

For ages 4-12, our Wednesday children's program focuses on teaching with a Biblical Worldview to help kids defend their faith. Kids also enjoy games, songs, and friends.



Bible Studies

Men's and women's Bible studies also begin in the fall. Joshua's Men meets weekly on Saturdays from 7-8:30am. The Women's Bible Study meets weekly on Thursdays from 9-11am.



Supper Clubs

Supper Clubs allow us to get to know each other better and share the fellowship of a simple meal. They are great for both regulars and newcomers to build relationships outside Sunday mornings. Registration deadline is **September 6th**.



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Questions? Call The Chapel office at 573-334-5948

Songs: Your Love Awakens Me • Only a Holy God
You Will Make All Things New • The Lord is My Salvation

Scripture Reading: Psalm 19:7-11

SERMON OUTLINE

Josh Stephens - Lead Pastor

The Witness of the Word

John 5:39-47



Main Idea: The rejection of revelation reveals the rebellion of the heart.

Scriptural Illiteracy: (John 5:39-40; 2 Corinthians 3:15; Luke 24:27;
1 Corinthians 2:14)

Spiritual Blindness: (John 5:41-44; 2:25-26; 3:19; John 12:43; Matthew 6:1)

Subjective Refusal: (John 5:45-47; 9:28-29; Luke 16:31)

Conclusion: (1 Thessalonians 2:4)



Please see a greeter in the lobby for hearing assistance



000's on the Call Box in the worship center means more help is needed in the nursery.

"...God loves a cheerful giver" (2Cor. 9:7) Our financial needs are met by the Lord through the prayers and gifts of His people. Offering boxes are located at the back of the Worship Center and in the Lobby. Online giving at capebiblechapel.org or through the Church Center app.

