



## COMMUNITY CHAPEL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

~ April 28, 2026 ~

IN A SHEPHERD'S WORD  
*ORIGIN STORY*

Look at that title again...

*Origin Story*

What stands out to you? This past Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, we published and made available copies of the State of the Church and Annual Reports for the 2025-26 Church Year for Community Chapel. And in it, there is this important quote...

***"At its core, the WHY is an origin story."***

*Simon Sinek*

At the heart of everything we do there is a redemptive chord that attaches to the entire origin story of the church. We heard the story in these words... **But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."** (Acts 1:8)

This is our origin story. But again, what stands out to you in those two words? The anchor word is the word "story". The late Rich Mullins wrote, "Write me into Your story", referring to God's redemptive story in Jesus. And this is what Acts points to. The church is made up of the redemptive stories of God's grace outworking in the lives of everyday people. The word Jesus gives us is "witness"!!!

All that to encourage you to get a copy of the Annual Reports and read the "story" of the witness of Community Chapel this past year. We have physical copies, but you can also email our office at [office@community-chapel.org](mailto:office@community-chapel.org) to get a PDF version.

But as you read it, ask yourself, "How am I part of this story?" And maybe ask God, "How do you want me to be part of this story?" And then, say, "Yes" to whatever God may be saying to you. And Jesus will write you into the story of the church that exists for the sake of the world. Check out the report to understand what that means! 😊

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And...this Sunday we will begin a mini-series called, "Wait For It!" We all find ourselves waiting for a good portion of our lives. This is particularly true of our relationship with God. Let's journey with the disciples as they are in a "holding pattern" of waiting. What are you waiting for? See you Sunday.

Peace,

### SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday Mornings at 10:30 AM in the sanctuary or join us online at

<https://www.youtube.com/@communitychapelNAZ/streams> or

<https://www.facebook.com/communitychapelNH>

### **"A WORD AND PRAYER"**

CONNECT TO "A WORD AND PRAYER" – with Pastor Geoff on Wednesdays at 9:00 AM

<https://www.facebook.com/communitychapelNH>

Join our Monthly 24 Hours Prayer Friday and Saturday, **May 1st & 2nd**. Let's pray for our church, our community, and the world. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you in this time.





# CORE VALUE #1 – WE ARE TO DEPEND ON GOD THROUGH PRAYER

SUNDAY PRESERVICE PRAYER! 10:00 AM IN THE PARLOR!

Contact Bob Lemay for more information! [boblemay@gmail.com](mailto:boblemay@gmail.com)

“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction and faithful in prayer” (Romans 12:12)

**PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER** Contact the church office at 603-883-8345 between 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM with prayer requests or you can send **prayer requests** to the office and sign up for the electronic “Weekly Prayer List” at [office@community-chapel.org](mailto:office@community-chapel.org). If you have a prayer request for “Pastors Only” please email Pastor Mary at [pastormary@community-chapel.org](mailto:pastormary@community-chapel.org).

## THIS WEEK AT COMMUNITY CHAPEL

Tuesday 4/28	Wednesday 4/29	Thursday 4/30	Friday 5/1	Saturday 5/2	Sunday 5/3	Monday 5/4
Men’s Journey Group 6:30 PM in Room 302	Word & Prayer 9:00 AM FaceBook Morning Women’s Group 10:00 AM in Room 303 Youth Group 6:30-8:00 PM Evening Women’s Group 6:30 PM in Room 302 Men’s Journey Group 6:30 PM in Room 303		Monthly 24 Hours Prayer starts 6:00 AM	Monthly 24 Hours Prayer ends 6:00 AM Mom’s Group 9:00 AM in Room 302 Young Men’s Journey Group 9:00 AM in Room 303	GOOD SAMARITAN BENEVOLENT FUND SUNDAY Adult Journey Groups “The Armor of God” 9:00 AM in Room 305 “The Twelve Disciples” 9:00 AM in Room 306 Young Adult Group 5:30 PM Room 304	Men’s Legacy Dinner 6:30 PM Fellowship Hall

## ANNUAL REPORT INFO AND SELECTION OF LEADERS RESULTS

The 2026 Church Board Members are Bill Lambalot, Carol Lemay, and Joy Rogers (70 Yes votes).

The 2026 District Assembly Delegates are Brian Andrew, Melissa Andrew, Eddie Kisakye, and Vickie Mello.

Results: The first alternate is Ariana Sola (28 votes) and the second alternate is James Shetler (17 votes).

The 2026 NMI Convention Delegates are Gaye Andree, Eddie Kisakye, Rebecca Kisakye, and Alex Pittman.

Update: Joan Kerr is the final NMI Convention delegate and Melissa Andrew is the first alternate.

## STATE OF THE CHURCH MESSAGE AND MINISTRY REPORTS!

The Annual Report booklets are available in the foyer.

**2026 ANNUAL FINANCE REPORT:** We will have a thorough, printed report available in the coming weeks for distribution, and Finance Team leaders will be available to answer any questions. Please continue to bring our financial needs and leaders to the Lord in prayer. Thank you!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### MONTHLY MEN’S MINISTRY MEAL



The next Men of Legacy meal is dinner on **Monday, May 4th** at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome who are 16 and above & desire to enjoy the fellowship with other men. The suggested cost is \$5 for the meal. Please contact Men's Ministry Lead Bob Whiffen at [rwhiffen1@yahoo.com](mailto:rwhiffen1@yahoo.com) or text him at 978-729-8523 by Friday, May 1st if you are able to attend.

### MEN’S SOFTBALL

Our Men's Softball team **kicks off its season on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 PM in Labine Field!** These games will be a great opportunity for our faith family to fellowship together, and we hope to see you at the games! You can view the full schedule here: <https://gnmesl.leaguerepublic.com/matchHub/494494550/-1 -1/104868847/-1/-1/-1/1/true.html>

## WORK AND WITNESS INFORMATIONAL MEETING

If you have an interest in going on a Work and Witness trip to Guatemala for 2027. We are having an informational meeting on **May 3rd**. This will be held right **after the service in the Parlor**. We will share some general information on the trip. This will also give some time to ask any questions you may have.

Thank you for your interest in Guatemala. We hope to see you there.



## GRADUATION SUNDAY



Join us on **May 17th** as we honor our graduates! A notebook for our high school graduates will be on the Graduate's table in the foyer for our congregation to sign words of encouragement. Please take some time to stop by and help our graduates know how loved they are by their church family. If you or your student is graduating high school or college this year, please send an email to Pastor Leo to be included in our 2026 list of graduates:

[pastorleo@community-chapel.org](mailto:pastorleo@community-chapel.org)

### High School Graduates:

Ben Carter, Nashua High School South

### College Graduates:

Megan Scalera, Fordham University, BA in Environmental Studies and a minor in Peace and Justice Studies.

## VETERANS COUNT PARTNERSHIP!!!

On **May 29-30th**, Community Chapel will once again be hosting the **Veterans Count Ride** supporting veterans who are in crisis. Volunteers for the event are needed on both days to support prepping for the riders and executing duties during the day of the ride. Please contact Bob Whiffen at [rwhiffen1@yahoo.com](mailto:rwhiffen1@yahoo.com) or (978-729-8523).



## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### YOUTH CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Summer is approaching, which means **Kids Camp and Teen Camp** are just around the corner! We have several students in **need of financial assistance** to attend camp. If you would like to **donate** to our Camp Scholarship Fund and help our youth connect to God through worship, small groups, and fellowship with their peers this summer, you can give to our Youth Ministry fund with the **memo "Camp Scholarship"** on our online giving platform or write a check with "Camp Scholarship" as the memo. Thank you!

## COMMUNITY CHAPEL GIVING PAGE!!

We encourage you to use our online giving option! Just click on this [link](#) or scan the QR code on the right and follow the prompts. If you have any questions, please contact the office at [office@community-chapel.org](mailto:office@community-chapel.org) or 603-883-8345. As always, thank you for your faithful giving.



## GOOD SAMARITAN BENEVOLENT FUND

**WHY GOOD SAMARITAN BENEVOLENT FUND?** All offerings to the Good Samaritan Benevolent Fund bring God's hope to people in crisis by meeting very basic and emergency needs. Offerings can be received at any time, but we do dedicate the first Sunday of each month as our Good Samaritan Sunday. As you are able to donate, please mark your offering for Good Sam (Either on an envelope, check memo line, or in our Online Giving Portal). These funds will make a difference in someone's crisis as we bless others out of God's goodness to us. Our next offering is **THIS Sunday, May 3rd**.

# OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT, WORSHIP AND GROW!

## CHILDREN MINISTRY:



### Sunday Rhythm

Infants up through age 3 will be lovingly cared for in the nursery.

Children, 4 years of age and older, are part of our corporate worship community.

Worship bags located in the entrance foyer are available for use during the service

★ Toddlers (1-2 years old) ★ preschool (3-5 years old) ★ elementary aged (K and up)

Children ages 4 through 5th grade will be dismissed after prayer for Children's Church.

### Wednesday Rhythm

Kidz Klub will **NOT** be meeting this Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> due to **School Vacation Week** and will resume on Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30-8:00 PM as we learn about the Fruit of the Spirit.

Questions? Contact Mary Hardwick at [maryh@community-chapel.org](mailto:maryh@community-chapel.org).

### Mark Your Calendar

### Vacation Bible Camp

Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into an adventure of discovering the nature of God. They'll explore what it means to be rooted in relationship with God, their creator, a safe place in life's storms.



Join the fun at Rainforest Falls VBC  
Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 – 12:00 PM  
Scan the code to register



### YOUTH MINISTRY (students grades 7th-12th)

Youth Group is meeting in the **Youth Center** at church this **Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM**. This gathering is for 7th-12th grade students to build community together and grow in their relationship with God. Contact Pastor Leo for more information: [pastorleo@community-chapel.org](mailto:pastorleo@community-chapel.org)



A vibrant blue poster for the 'Next Gen Summer Bash'. The title 'NEXT GEN SUMMER BASH' is written in large, bold, yellow letters at the top. Below it, the date and time 'WED MAY 27 6:00-8:00 PM' and location '@ THE FELLOWSHIP HALL' are listed in white text on a black background. The activities listed are 'COOKOUT', 'YARD GAMES', 'BOARD GAMES', 'KIDS ZONE', and 'WORSHIP CELEBRATION'. At the bottom, it says 'FOR YOUNG ADULTS AND FAMILIES WITH TEENS/CHILDREN'. The poster is decorated with illustrations of a board game, a stack of Jenga blocks, and a grill with food cooking on it.

### YOUNG ADULT GROUP (18-30 years old)

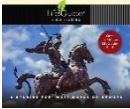
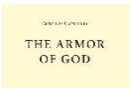
We meet on **Sunday nights** from **5:30 – 7:00 PM in Room 304**. All are welcome! Come join a community looking to love God and love others. This summer, our Young Adults are studying the book of Esther!

Contact Becca Kisakye or Pastor Leo with any questions or for additional information:

[beccakisakye@gmail.com](mailto:beccakisakye@gmail.com) or [pastorleo@community-chapel.org](mailto:pastorleo@community-chapel.org)

## SPRING SUNDAY JOURNEY GROUPS

### THE ARMOR OF GOD



“The Armor of God” group meets on **Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM in Room 305**. Every day, an unseen battle is going on around us in the spiritual realm. Christians need to be dressed in the full Armor of God. God has provided everything we need to stand firm & resist evil, but we are called to be actively aware of both the struggle & the resources available. In Ephesians chapter 6 the Apostle Paul gives us the clearest description anywhere in Scripture of believers' resources for the spiritual battle. He vividly describes them as armor, which we must repeatedly take up in prayerful reliance on God. Books can be purchased at [Christianbooks.com](http://Christianbooks.com) or [Amazon](http://Amazon.com).

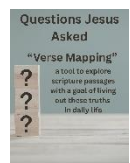
### THE TWELVE DISCIPLES



“The Twelve Disciples” group meets on **Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM in Room 306**. In only three years, Jesus molded a dozen fearful, faithless men into the pillars of a worldwide movement—the church. Despite this brief window, the time the twelve disciples spent in Jesus's presence had a transforming effect on each of them, and they were forever changed. Through studying the lives of Jesus's disciples, you too can be transformed by Jesus. He can take the most fearful and faithless among us and transform our lives, empowering us to become confident witnesses of his grace to the world. As you study how Jesus made disciples, you too can grow as a disciple and answer Jesus's call to follow him. Books can be purchased at [Christianbooks.com](http://Christianbooks.com) or [Amazon](http://Amazon.com).

## WOMEN'S JOURNEY GROUPS

### WEDNESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S GROUP



#### *Questions Jesus Asked*

For four weeks, **beginning tomorrow, April 29th**, the Wednesday morning Women's Bible study will look at some of the Questions Jesus Asked. We will use “Verse Mapping” as a tool to explore these scripture passages with a goal of living out these truths in daily life. For more information on verse mapping and a schedule of verses we will cover, please see Carol Lemay or Melissa Andrew. This group will meet on **Wednesday mornings from 10:00-11:30 AM in Room 303**.

### WEDNESDAY EVENING WOMEN'S GROUP



This group meets on **Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in Room 302**. The book of Revelation has been a source of both great encouragement & great confusion to Christians throughout the centuries. In this 12-week study, Stephen Witmer helps readers understand & appreciate Revelation's core message: Jesus Christ has already defeated Satan, sin, and death on our behalf - a truth that gives us great hope for the future. Book can be purchased at [Christianbooks.com](http://Christianbooks.com) or [Amazon](http://Amazon.com).

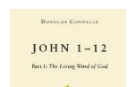
### SATURDAY MORNINGS MOM'S GROUP



This group is open to all NCLC and Community Chapel moms and meets on the **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of each month from 9:00-10:30 AM in Room 302**. If you are looking to connect with other moms and grow deeper in your faith, join us for a video series called “Not What I Signed Up For.” Together we will wrestle with life's twist and turns and learn how to see God's promises in times of uncertainty. All are welcome. Childcare will be provided by amazing church volunteers for children who have moms attending the group! Call or text Alyssa Gentry with questions at 603-264-6059.

## MEN'S JOURNEY GROUPS

### MEN'S TUESDAY NIGHT JOURNEY GROUP

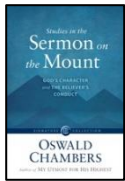


This group meets on **Tuesdays at 6:30 PM in Room 302**.

You can get a copy of the study guide at [Christianbooks.com](http://Christianbooks.com) or at [Amazon](http://Amazon.com).

Contact Pastor Geoff at [pastorgeoff@community-chapel.org](mailto:pastorgeoff@community-chapel.org) for more information.

## WEDNESDAY MEN'S JOURNEY GROUP



This group meets on **Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in Room 303** and is studying the Sermon on the Mount. Please come join us when you are able and bring your bible.

You will not need to purchase the book to attend. If you would like to purchase the book, you can purchase online at [Christianbooks.com](http://Christianbooks.com) or [Amazon](http://Amazon.com).

## YOUNG MEN'S JOURNEY GROUP



This group is open to men in their 20s, 30s, and 40s and is study on the **Book of Colossians meeting 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of each month from 9:00-10:30 AM in Room 303**. Community is important! If you're looking to connect and fellowship with other young men and grow deeper in your faith, please join us! All are welcome and no commitment is required! Childcare will be provided by amazing church volunteers for children who have dads attending the group! Call or text Ben Gentry with questions on 603-370-2530.

**SAGES (Senior Adults Growing, Encouraging & Serving)** *All ages 50+ are welcomed!*

**Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 AM: "The Spring Frost Report -- Listening as a Sacred Act."** Our special speaker, Ed Frost, is a former Nazarene Pastor who has spoken at Community Chapel many times. In a world that is loud, hurried and opinionated, voices compete for our attention. The sacred act of listening will be explored in Ed's talk. Plan to join us for this event.

To be added to SAGES Mail List: Contact Peggy Kierstead at [pak.rek@comcast.net](mailto:pak.rek@comcast.net)

## GENERAL INFORMATION/UPDATE

### 2026-27 CHURCH BOARD

Bob Fonden  
Bill Lambalot  
Kerry Mertins

Joan Kerr  
Carol Lemay  
Joy Rogers

Rebecca Kisakye  
Vickie Mello  
Bruce Wilson

### 2025-26 NCLC BOARD

Angela DeRusha  
Jody Mear

Pastor Mary DiLoreto  
Molly Shetler

Alyssa Gentry  
Colleen Walker

Carol Lemay  
Margaret Wandrey

## OFFICE HOURS

Our office hours which are 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Monday – Thursday. The office will be closed on Fridays. Call 603-883-8345 or send an e-mail to [office@community-chapel.org](mailto:office@community-chapel.org) with any non-urgent requests. Our emergency phone line is operational 24/7 so if you have a pastoral care emergency, please call the church phone number & follow the prompts leaving a message and a pastor will call you back as soon as possible.

**Faithfully His and Yours,  
The CC Leadership Team**

**Stay connected by joining Simple Church Directory Group!**

Please email the church at [office@community-chapel.org](mailto:office@community-chapel.org) to get connected.

## DAILY READING PLAN

Tuesday, April 28, 2026: [Psalm 100](#); [Ezekiel 34:23-31](#); [Hebrews 13:20-21](#);

Wednesday, April 29, 2026: [Psalm 100](#); [Jeremiah 23:1-8](#); [Matthew 20:17-28](#);

Thursday, April 30, 2026: [Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16](#); [Genesis 12:1-3](#); [Acts 6:8-15](#);

Friday, May 01, 2026: [Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16](#); [Exodus 3:1-12](#); [Acts 7:1-16](#);

Saturday, May 02, 2026: [Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16](#); [Jeremiah 26:20-24](#); [John 8:48-59](#);

Sunday, May 03, 2026: [Fifth Sunday of Easter - Acts 7:55-60, Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16, 1 Peter 2:2-10, John 14:1-14](#)

Monday, May 04, 2026: [Psalm 102:1-17](#); [Exodus 13:17-22](#); [Acts 7:17-40](#);

If you are interested in adding the daily reading plan to your calendar, please click on this link

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/calendar.php>