

COMMUNITY CHAPEL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ~ July 8 and 15, 2025 ~

IN A SHEPHERD'S WORD Let's Love our Neighborhoods this Summer!!!

As we now find ourselves in the heart and the heat of summer, what a great time to walk our neighborhoods (or drive them) and become reacquainted with our neighbors. Just think (or maybe you don't want to do think of this!) in just several months the last thing you may want to do is walk the neighbor because of the cold!!!

But this summer, let's bring a very basic practice of the words of Jesus from Matthew 22:39...

Love your neighbor as yourself.

Rightfully so, we default to physical ways to offer friendship or compassion. We ask God to help us in our attitudes and actions toward those neighbors who may be different than us in background, personality, immigration status, race, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, nationality (you get the point). Yet, what if we loved our neighbors by inviting the Holy Spirit to work in them and through us? How? Through prayer.

Let me invite you to consider downloading the BLESS app, which enables you to pray (by name) all your neighbors! I have begun with the 50 closest neighbors that surround our home. But imagine what may happen when we simply begin to pray for our neighbors, asking God to bless them and opening ourselves to be the answer to our prayers! You can find the BLESS app by clicking on the image below:



Let's love our neighbors by BLESSING them...and become a beacon of the love of Jesus in our neighborhoods this summer! (And if you live in my neighborhood, I can't wait for you to get my name! ©) Peace,



Breathe in me O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may be holy Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work may be holy Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, to love what is holy.

~Saint Augustine

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday Mornings at 10:30 AM in the sanctuary
Or join us online at https://www.facebook.com/communitychapelNH

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

https://www.facebook.com/communitychapelNH

Join our Monthly 24 Hours Prayer Friday and Saturday, August 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

"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. If you have a prayer request for "**Pastors Only**" please email Pastor Mary at pastormary@community-chapel.org.

NEWSLETTER WILL BE EVERY OTHER WEEK IN THE SUMMER

Please note that the newsletter will be published every other week.

THIS WEEK AT COMMUNITY CHAPEL

Tuesday 7/8	Wednesday 7/9	Thursday 7/10	Friday 7/11	Saturday 7/12	Sunday 7/13	Monday 7/14
9:00 AM – 12 noon Fellowship Hall and Education Wing			TRUE NORTH Judg tas kelling		Adult Journey Group "Parables"	
Men's Journey Group 6:30 PM in Room 302	Word & Prayer 9:00 AM FaceBook Youth Group 6:30-8:00 PM	Young Men's Journey Group 5:30 PM in Room 302			9:00 AM Room 306 Young Adult Group 5:30 PM Room 304	

NEXT WEEK AT COMMUNITY CHAPEL

Tuesday 7/15	Wednesday 7/16	Thursday 7/17	Friday 7/18	Saturday 7/19	Sunday 7/20	Monday 7/21
Men's	Word & Prayer				Adult Journey Group	
Journey	9:00 AM FaceBook				"Parables"	
Group	Elementary Children				9:00 AM Room 306	
6:30 PM in	6:30-8:00 PM				SAGES Off-site Lunch	
Room 302	Youth Group				Bentley's Roast Beef	
	6:30-8:00 PM				Young Adult Group	
					5:30 PM Room 304	

OUR TENT

Our tent is up on the large field, so if you'd like to use it for a ministry gathering or a luncheon, etc., please schedule it through the church office by email office@community-chapel.org or call 603-883-8345.

UPCOMING EVENTS ALL CHURCH BARBECUE

Wednesday, August 13th - 6:00 - 8:00 PM
A-D bring desserts
E-Z bring a side dish

Donations will be received: \$5 per person; \$15 per family.



SUMMER BAPTISM SERVICE!!!



August 17th at 10:30 AM. Baptism, commanded by Jesus (Matthew 28:19-20) is an opportunity to make a public declaration of what Jesus Christ has done and declare your place in God's family. Have you been baptized? Baptism class July 20th at 9:00 AM! Fill out a Connection Card labeled baptism or email office@community-chapel.org for more information!

THANK YOU FOR MAKING TRUE NORTH AMAZING!



A HUGE BEAR HUG of THANKS to everyone who made True North VBC happen! Your time and effort and servants' hearts created an amazing time of sharing the love of God & the truth of Jesus Christ with 130+ children and loads of joy for everyone there!

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Decorating Team	Crew Leaders	Station Leaders and As	ssistants	
Angela Derusha	Elizabeth Carter	Tiffany Faria	Annella Archer	
Ray Derusha	Amy Donohue	Heather Scalera	Connor Lyle	
Alyssa Gentry	Angela Derusha	Sally Raposa	Debbie Born	
Thea & Juni Gentry	Ray Derusha	Adam Therrien		
Ase Grydeland	Carol Lemay	Ainsley Therrien		
John Hardwick	Travis Lyle	Colleen Walker		
Connor Lyle	Maggie Paul	Pastor Leo		
Travis Lyle.				
Allana Malas	Special Roles			
Olivia Niquette	Bob Whiffen – Roman Centurion			
Valarie Niquette	Lisa Wilson – Super Support Assistant			
Kim Ralph	John Hardwick – Registrar			
Colleen Walker	Carol Fonden and Sally R	aposa – Support Services	;	
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MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES MORNING STAR BOOKSTORE – KIDS STORY TIME!

Morning Star is having **Kids Story Time** on Wednesdays, **July 16th and August 20th at 11:30 AM**. They will read a story that encourages kids' faith followed by an activity or craft!

END 68 HOURS OF HUNGER NASHUA

Let's seek to remember our friends at End 68 Hours of Hunger Nashua.

Connect to them at https://www.facebook.com/End68Nashua

Annella Archer

Their shed is at 17 Airport Rd (at the back of the building) and is open 24/7 for drop-offs.

Let's continue to support this vital need in our community. For items to donate, please click on this <u>link</u> or go to https://www.end68hoursofhunger.org/donate/

POP UP PANTRIES

United Way of Greater Nashua and Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter offer **free groceries** through **Pop-Up Pantries** every weekday from **11:00 AM to 12:00 PM** at rotating locations in Nashua. Anyone in need is welcome-no registration required. For more details, call 603-882-4011 or visit info@unitedwaynashua.org.

- Mondays: Harbor Care, 45 High Street
- Tuesdays: Sullivan Terrace, 56 Tyler Street
- Wednesdays: Lamprey Health Care, 22 Prospect Street
- Thursdays: River Pines Mobile Home Park, 34 Birch Ridge Trail
- Fridays: Crossway Christian Church, 33 Pine Street

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving. (2 Corinthians 8:7)

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP UPDATE						
2 Wks Need \$23,000 FY25-Need: \$598,000	Week 6/29-7/6/2025 Giving	Year To Date Giving	Year To Date Budget	YTD Performance To Budget		
Tithes & Offerings	\$16,982	\$128,931	\$147,969	-\$19,038		
World Missions	\$1,648	\$14,034	\$12,223	\$1,811		
Building Fund	\$195	\$713	\$808	-\$95		
Total Giving	\$18,825	\$143,678	\$161,000.00	-\$17,322		
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COMMUNITY CHAPEL GIVING PAGE!!

We encourage you to use our online giving option!

Just click on this <u>link</u>: <u>https://communitychapel.mywell.org/give</u> and follow the prompts.

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Shirley

at pastorshirley@community-chapel.org. As always, thank you for your faithful giving.

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

Toddler age children (1-2 years old)

tyoung preschool age children (3-4 years old)

right older preschool and early elementary aged children (4 years old and up)

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

Sundays and Wednesdays

We begin our **Summer Series** - 13 Bad Days and How God Fixed Them. We will be rooted in Proverbs 3:5. Come join the fun!

Wednesday Rhythm

<u>July 9th</u> - NO GATHERING (VBC week)

July 16th – We will resume gathering at our regular time 6:30-8:00 PM.

Questions? Contact Mary Hardwick at maryh@community-chapel.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY (students grades 7th-12th)

Youth Group meets **on Wednesdays in the Youth Center from 6:30-8:00 PM!** This gathering is for 7th-12th grade students to build community together and grow in their relationship with God.



YOUNG ADULT GROUP (18-30 years old)

We meet on **Sundays 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, we are studying Psalms! Contact Becca Kisakye or Pastor Leo with any questions: beccalkisakye@gmail.com or pastorleo@community-chapel.org

SUMMER SUNDAY JOURNEY GROUP



This group will meet on **July 13th through August 24th on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM in Room 306!** All are welcome to join us. Everyone loves a good story. But the parables of Jesus are a special kind of story. They sneak up on us, catching us off guard. The familiar suddenly takes an unexpected twist, and we find our secret thoughts exposed in the healing light of Jesus. In this guide John White, author of the bestselling book The Fight, helps us explore twelve of the

greatest stories ever told. Books can be purchased at Christianbooks.com or Amazon.

Note: We will be studying the Parables in a different order than the book (see below).

July 13th – Chapter 8: The Wise & Foolish Virgins

July 20th – Chapter 10: The "Lost" Parables

July 27th – Chapter 3: The Good Samaritan

August 3rd – Chapter 9: Parable of the Bags of Gold

August 10th – Chapter 5: The Widow & The Judge

August 17th - Chapter 11: Parable of the Rich Fool

August 24th – Chapter 4: The Unforgiving Servant

ALL WOMEN'S JOURNEY GROUPS ARE ON BREAK

These groups will resume in the Fall.

MEN'S JOURNEY GROUPS

MEN'S TUESDAY NIGHT JOURNEY GROUP



This group meets on **Tuesdays at 6:30 PM in Room 302**. This will be a six-month conversation on the book of Acts. You can get a copy of the study guide here at <u>Christianbooks.com</u> or at <u>Amazon</u>.

Contact Pastor Geoff at pastorgeoff@community-chapel.org for more information.

WEDNESDAY MEN'S JOURNEY GROUP

This group will resume in the Fall.

NEW THURSDAY YOUNG MEN'S JOURNEY GROUP



This group will meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month from 5:30-6:30 PM in Room 302 and will go through the Francis Chan series on James.

https://youtu.be/G2wR2cimAzA?si=Yd7WP0sD-yQ8L7Sx

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



Sunday, July 20th, following the 10:30 AM service, "Where's the Beef?" Lunch at Bentley's Roast Beef, 134 NH-101A, Amherst, NH. Coming from Nashua, it's just before Longhorn Steak House. Buy your lunch and join us outside at the picnic tables under the trees! Inside seating in case of rain. Hope to see you at this off-site activity. To be added to SAGES Mail List: Contact Peggy Kierstead at pak.rek@comcast.net

GENERAL INFORMATION/UPDATE

2025-26 CHURCH BOARD

Bob FondenJoan KerrRebecca KisakyeVickie MelloKerry MertinsJames PittmanSally RaposaBob WhiffenBruce Wilson

2025-26 NCLC BOARD

Angela DeRusha Pastor Mary DiLoreto Alyssa Gentry Carol Lemay
Jody Mear Molly Shetler Colleen Walker 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 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 to get connected.

DAILY READING PLAN

Tuesday, July 08, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 6; 2 Kings 5:19b-27; Acts 19:28-41;

Complementary: Psalm 119:73-80; Jeremiah 8:4-13; Acts 19:28-41;

Wednesday, July 09, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 6; 2 Kings 6:1-7; Luke 10:13-16;

Complementary: Psalm 119:73-80; Joshua 23:1-16; Luke 10:13-16;

Thursday, July 10, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 82; Amos 1:1-2:3; James 2:14-26;

Complementary: Psalm 25:1-10; Genesis 41:14-36; James 2:14-26;

Friday, July 11, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 82; Amos 2:4-11; Acts 7:9-16;

Complementary: Psalm 25:1-10; Genesis 41:37-49; Acts 7:9-16;

Saturday, July 12, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 82; Amos 2:12-3:8; John 3:16-21;

Complementary: Psalm 25:1-10; Leviticus 19:1-4, 32-37; John 3:16-21;

Sunday, July 13, 2025: Proper 10 (15) - Amos 7:7-17 and Psalm 82; Deuteronomy 30:9-14 and Psalm 25:1-10;

Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

Monday, July 14, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 7; Amos 3:9-4:5; James 2:1-7;

Complementary: Psalm 25:11-20; Job 24:1-8; James 2:1-7;

Tuesday, July 15, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 7; Amos 4:6-13; 1 John 3:11-17;

Complementary: Psalm 25:11-20; Proverbs 19:1-17; 1 John 3:11-17;

Wednesday, July 16, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 7; Amos 5:1-9; Matthew 25:31-46;

Complementary: Psalm 25:11-20; Ecclesiastes 9:13-18; Matthew 25:31-46;

Thursday, July 17, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 52; Amos 5:10-17; Hebrews 5:1-6;

Complementary: Psalm 15; Genesis 12:10-20; Hebrews 5:1-6;

Friday, July 18, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 52; Amos 5:18-27; Ephesians 3:14-21;

Complementary: Psalm 15; Genesis 13:1-18; Ephesians 3:14-21;

Saturday, July 19, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 52; Amos 6:1-14; Luke 8:4-10;

Complementary: Psalm 15; Genesis 14:1-16; Luke 8:4-10;

Sunday, July 20, 2025: <u>Proper 11 (16)</u> - <u>Amos 8:1-12 and Psalm 52; Genesis 18:1-10a and Psalm 15; Colossians</u>

1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

Monday, July 21, 2025: Semi-continuous: Psalm 119:17-32; Amos 7:1-6; Colossians 1:27-2:7;

Complementary: Psalm 119:97-104; Exodus 18:1-12; Colossians 1:27-2:7;

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