



COMMUNITY CHAPEL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

~ October 14, 2025 ~

IN A SHEPHERD'S WORD

Table Talks on Immigration

When they said it to me, I was grieved. It was a conversation with a Spirit-filled brother who is an immigrant. When I asked what it was like to be an immigrant in our country, he said this, ***"I don't know if I will ever feel welcomed."***

"Lord, when did we see...you a stranger and invite you in..." The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it for me.'" (Matthew 25:38-40)

Beginning October 15th at 5:00 PM, Bruce Wilson and I will begin **Table Talks on Immigration**. How are we thinking about the events and issues of the world around us? Too often, we are more shaped and discipled by the vehicles of the culture than we are by God's perspective. One of those areas is immigration. Let's ask the question, *"Are we shaped by culture or formed by Scripture?"*

The hope for this time is to resist the shaping of the predominant narratives driven by the news media, partisan divides, and social media-stoked fears and misrepresentations. This will not be a time for debate, partisan rhetoric, or binary, us vs. them thinking. Instead, we have a higher aim. A charitable discourse! This is an invitation to surrender our preconceived biases and opinions and open our minds and hearts to God, His word, and to one another.

On November 23rd, we will host Rev. Rachel Hafner, the New England District Director of Immigration Ministries. That Sunday, we will feature the ministry of Immigration Connection (more information to come!). In preparation for that gathering, we will come together to invite the Holy Spirit to shape and mold us with God's perspective. Using the discussion guide, **Together at the Table**, we will listen, learn, and pray to be formed by what the Bible says about immigrants and immigration.

Peace,

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday Mornings at 10:30 AM in the sanctuary

Or join us online at <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, November 7th & 8th. 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.

THIS WEEK AT COMMUNITY CHAPEL

Tuesday 10/14	Wednesday 10/15	Thursday 10/16	Friday 10/17	Saturday 10/18	Sunday 10/19	Monday 10/20
	Word & Prayer 9:00 AM FaceBook Morning Women’s Group 10:00 AM in Room 306 Table Talks on Immigration 5:00 PM in Parlor Elementary Children 6:30-8:00 PM 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				Adult Journey Groups “James: a 12-week study” 9:00 AM in Room 305 “That the World may Know” 9:00 AM in Room 302 Young Adult Group 5:30 PM in Room 304 SAGES Bag Lunch & Ice Cream Social In Fellowship Hall After worship service	

CLERGY APPRECIATION MONTH

During the month of October, we want to show our appreciation to each of our pastors for their service to us. We ask you to consider encouraging and expressing your care for them, in a tangible way. There is additional information on the following website:

<https://myhappythanks.com/blogs/guides/pastor-appreciation-day>



UPCOMING EVENT



We will be offering another grief session “**Surviving the Holidays**” that offers support & practical tips for facing holiday challenges after loss of a loved one. This is the **same session** but will be **offered twice**, once on **November 5th** in the evening from **6:30 -8:00 PM** and again on **December 1st** for an afternoon session at **1:00-2:30 PM**. Both will be held in the Parlor. Feel free to reach out to Pastor Mary if you have any additional questions.

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

COLLECTION OF FOOD FOR THANKSGIVING BASKETS 2025

We will once again be filling Thanksgiving baskets to bless families in our church community and local community. Below is a list of items that we will be collecting now through November 9th. Plastic bins are in the main hallway to drop these items in. It will cost approximately \$60 to fill a basket which will include a small Market Basket gift card to purchase a turkey or perishable items. Basket Assembly will be on **Thursday, November 13th at 6:30 PM** in the parlor. Contact Kathleen DeFranca for more details.

Items for Thanksgiving Baskets:

Stuffing - bread, corn. Bags or boxes, Pie crust-boxed, two for every basket,
 Pie filling - apple, blueberry, cherry, peach, pear etc. (two cans per pie needed),
 Potatoes - (white or yams, or sweet potatoes) in a can or box!
 Gravy- package or jar, Evaporated Milk



Canned Vegetables - corn, string beans, peas, beans, carrots, beets, asparagus, olives,
Muffin mixes- blueberry, cinnamon, fruit, corn, etc., Cookie mixes
Dried flower (Fall colors), Cloth or Paper napkins, Fall Fabric to line baskets, Fall table clothes.
Cash Donations for items including gift cards for turkey purchases (checks made out to CC marked
"Thanksgiving Baskets")



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2025 It's all about JESUS!

"For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost." Luke 19:10

Community Chapel has participated in the ministry of Operation Christmas Child for over 25 years, sharing the Gospel and God's love through packing and collecting shoeboxes, sharing the Hope we have in Jesus with children in all parts of the world.

Join us in this great ministry as we serve and show God's love by packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child and/or by volunteering during the **National Collection Week November 17th- 24th**. Community Chapel is a central drop off for all of southern New Hampshire.

Opportunities to pack shoeboxes in a variety of ways include:

- Family shoebox packing **Mission Event on Wednesday, November 5th**
- **SAGES shoebox** packing and luncheon **Friday, November 14th**
- Pack shoeboxes at home and bring them to Community Chapel. Preprinted shoeboxes will be handed out at church each Sunday beginning October 19th or use a shoebox you have at home. By activating your adhesive label online, you can follow your shoebox to find out which country it went to. A donation of \$10.00 per shoebox covers costs to collect, process, transport the shoeboxes, provide gospel materials in their native language, and train local churches in their country. Include a personal note or letter. Reminder: no soap, liquids, creams, candy or cash.
- Build a shoebox online by choosing items for your shoebox which go to hard-to-reach areas. Go to <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline/> Select "Community Chapel Church of the Nazarene, Nashua NH" on this site.
- Drop off extra or misc. loose items to be used at our "packing parties" or sent to the processing centers to be used as filler items.
- Shoeboxes may be dropped off at Community Chapel on Sunday, November 16th.

Join our team of volunteers who are needed to greet and accept the hundreds of packed shoeboxes dropped off at Community Chapel by local individuals, groups and churches during the National Collection Week of November 17th -24th. Please help us greet, accept shoeboxes, load into cartons, load into the semi-trucks and pray over the shoeboxes. We have a great time of fellowship as we serve together!

Please contact Carol Fonden to sign up to help during one or more of the drop-off times during the week of November 17th-24th or if you have questions. (sunsetcif@aol.com or cell: 603-321-6707). Collection times will be **3:00-5:00 PM on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 5:00-7:00 on Tuesday and Thursday, 9:00-11:00 AM Saturday, noon to 2:00 PM on Sunday, and 8:00-10:00AM Monday (the 24th).**

Prayer is a very important part of this ministry since prayer follows each box throughout its entire journey! Join our prayer team to pray for the children and families whose lives will be touched by receiving a shoebox expressing God's love in action.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE COLLECTION

Looking ahead. The Christmas Giving Tree will be up in late November. We will be serving some of the area agencies we have been in contact with to meet some of their basic needs as we head into the colder months. Thank you in advance for being a part of this annual ministry to our community.



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					
Weekly Need \$11,500 FY25-Need: \$598,000	Week 10/12/25 Giving	Year To Date Giving	Year To Date Budget	YTD Performance To Budget	
Tithes & Offerings	\$8,993	\$246,488	\$295,938	-\$49,450	
World Missions	\$875	\$26,576	\$24,446	\$2,130	
Building Fund	\$48	\$1,159	\$1,615	-\$456	
Total Giving	\$9,916	\$274,223	\$322,000	-\$47,777	
Fiscal Year April 1, 2025 - March 31, 2026					

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 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

★ 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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



Trunk or Treat – Saturday, October 25th

2:00 – 4:00 PM Rain or Shine

Invite postcards are available on shelf in entrance hallway.

Scan or click [here](#) to register to be a part of the fun:



SAVE THE DATE!

Send
Good News
and
Great Joy!



Family Missions Project -Wed., November 5th

5:30 – 7:30 PM Eat & Serve Together

Registration deadline is Friday, October 31st.

Scan or click [here](#) to register to help with planning:



Wednesday Rhythm

Join us for **KIDZ KLUB Gathering** on **Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 PM** for fun fellowship & games, fantastic food and meaningful faith formation. We are learning the 13 Most Important Bible Lessons for Kids About God! 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.

Contact Pastor Leo with any questions: pastorleo@community-chapel.org



ZONE HUDDLES- Soup Dinner & Pumpkin Carving!

Our next Zone Huddle is **this Saturday, October 18th from 5:00-9:00 PM.**

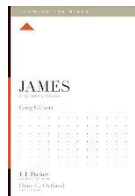
Zone Huddles are a time to get together with our district friends for fellowship and fun. This month, we're having Soup Dinner & Pumpkin Carving (bring your own pumpkin) at **Malden Church of the Nazarene.**

We'll meet at Community Chapel at 5:00 PM to drive down together. This event is FREE. Register [HERE](#).

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (18-30 years old)

Young Adult group meets **Sundays from 5:30 – 7:00 PM in Room 304** with our new Fall series: God's Design for Relational Health. Contact Becca Kisakye or Pastor Leo with any questions: beccakisakye@gmail.com or pastorleo@community-chapel.org

FALL SUNDAY JOURNEY GROUPS



This group meets **Sundays at 9:00 AM in Room 305.** In **James: A 12-Week Study**, pastor and author Greg Gilbert examines the message of James, exploring the book's difficult teachings on wealth, anointing with oil, prayer, healing, and the relationship between faith and works.

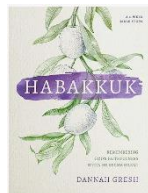
Books can be purchased at Christianbooks.com or Amazon.

THAT THE WORLD MAY KNOW.
with Ray Vander Laan

This group meets on **Sundays at 9:00 AM in Room 302.** **"That the World May Know"** is a video series, where Ray Vander Laan is the fun and engaging tour guide. He will take you on a trip to ancient times, places, and customs. No book is necessary for this group.

WOMEN'S JOURNEY GROUPS

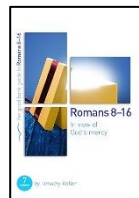
WEDNESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S GROUP



"Why does God seem silent when I need Him most?" That is the question we will consider as we study the book of Habakkuk. Join us **Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM in Room 306.** The book includes daily interactive Bible lessons (about 20-40 minutes each).

This book can be purchased online at Christianbooks.com or Amazon.

WEDNESDAY EVENING WOMEN'S GROUP



This group meets **Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM in Room 302** and is studying Romans 8-16: In view of God's mercy. In this seven-session study of Romans 8-16, Timothy Keller shows groups how to live life in response to God's mercy, by the power of his Spirit. He says that Romans 8 contains the secret to real life change. Keller's trademark gifts of making the complex clear and the difficult joyful will mean Christians will love studying the Bible alongside this resource, and be inspired to apply it to their hearts and lives. This book can be purchased

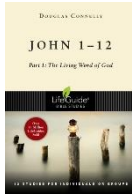
online at Christianbooks.com or Amazon.

SATURDAY MORNINGS MOM'S GROUP



We meet on the **2nd and 4th Saturdays from 9:00-10:30 AM in room 302**. We are going through **Psalm 23 with Matt Chandler**. All NCLC and CC moms are welcome to attend; no commitment is required! Childcare will be provided for those who need it!

MEN'S JOURNEY GROUPS



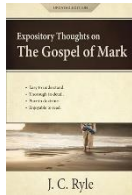
MEN'S TUESDAY NIGHT JOURNEY GROUP

This group will not be meeting tonight but will resume **next Tuesday, October 21st at 6:30 PM in Room 302**.

You can get a copy of the study guide here at Christianbooks.com or at Amazon.

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

WEDNESDAY MEN'S JOURNEY GROUP



The group meets on **Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in Room 303** and is studying the gospel of Mark. 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 or Amazon.

YOUNG MEN'S JOURNEY GROUP



This group meets on the **2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from 9:00-10:30 AM in Room 303**. This group is going through "Every Thought Captive: How Renewing Your Mind Can Change Your Life" by Kyle Idleman:

<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/en/content/details/920259>

Here is the trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u5huZthBOjA>

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



Sunday, October 19th, "Bag Lunch and Ice Cream Social" following the 10:30 AM service.

Meet in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your own bag lunch, order take-out, or enjoy some pulled pork. Ice cream will be provided! There is no charge for this activity. Donations will be accepted to cover the cost of the ice cream sundaes.

To be added to SAGES Mail List: Contact Peggy Kierstead at pak.rek@comcast.net

GENERAL INFORMATION/UPDATE

2025-26 CHURCH BOARD

Bob Fonden
Vickie Mello
Sally Raposa

Joan Kerr
Kerry Mertins
Bob Whiffen

Rebecca Kisakye
James Pittman
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 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, October 14, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Psalm 102:1-17; Jeremiah 29:24-32; Ephesians 6:10-20;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 61; 2 Kings 5:19b-27; Ephesians 6:10-20;](#)

Wednesday, October 15, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Psalm 102:1-17; Jeremiah 25:15-32; Matthew 10:5-15;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 61; 2 Kings 15:1-7; Matthew 10:5-15;](#)

Thursday, October 16, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Psalm 119:97-104; Jeremiah 26:1-15; Acts 17:22-34;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 121; Isaiah 54:11-17; Acts 17:22-34;](#)

Friday, October 17, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Psalm 119:97-104; Jeremiah 26:16-24; 2 Timothy 2:14-26;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 121; Genesis 31:43-32:2; 2 Timothy 2:14-26;](#)

Saturday, October 18, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Psalm 119:97-104; Jeremiah 31:15-26; Mark 10:46-52;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 121; Genesis 32:3-21; Mark 10:46-52;](#)

Sunday, October 19, 2025: [Proper 24 \(29\) - Jeremiah 31:27-34 and Psalm 119:97-104; Genesis 32:22-31 and Psalm 121; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8](#)

Monday, October 20, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Psalm 129; Jeremiah 38:14-28; 1 Corinthians 6:1-11;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 57; 1 Samuel 25:2-22; 1 Corinthians 6:1-11;](#)

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>