COMMUNITY CHAPEL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
~ October 20, 2026 ~

IN A SHEPHERD'S WORD
BE A VOICE OF HOPE

Hope…is like oxygen. With it, life flourishes. Without it, it cannot be sustained. Or as Sharon McMahon put it, *"Hope is not a feeling we are waiting to experience. In reality, it is a choice we make. A choice to have hope."* And in the choosing, we also extend that hope to our neighbors and family members, co-workers, and marketplace interactions: ***We exist to share God's hope wherever we find ourselves.***

But how do we prepare for that? This fall, we have an opportunity to be equipped for our mission through our **Journey Groups. Every group** better outfits us for our mission. **Check out the list in this newsletter and join in a group or groups!**

If you don't know where to begin, start with your alarm clock. Set it one hour earlier on Sunday (yes, I hear that groan!). Show up for one of two groups meeting on Sundays at 9:00 AM!

NOT BEYOND REACH is a curriculum that invites us to look at the world through the lens of a world that is rejecting Christianity and the church. How do you share God's hope when people don't want to listen to you ***because*** **you are a Christian**? Explore *The Rise of the Religiously Unaffiliated, How to Start Spiritual Conversations, and Navigating sexuality, politics, and Science*, all in the context of relationships.

The other Sunday morning group is a study of the prophets ***JONAH, JOEL, AND AMOS***, who spoke into a world much like ours. What do we learn from them to engage our world, but also to consider the church and the ways we need to repent to be the agents of hope needed? The message of the prophets can be uncomfortable but redeeming for God's people and our world.

So, how might you prepare to fulfill this mission: **To share God's hope wherever we find ourselves?**

Peace,

Pastor Geoff

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
Wednesdays at 9:00 AM

Join our Monthly 24 Hours Prayer Friday and Saturday, November 6th & 7th.

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 10/20	Wednesday 10/21	Thursday 10/22	Friday 10/23	Saturday 10/24	Sunday 10/25	Monday 10/26
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 305 **Kidz Klub** 6:30-8:00 PM **GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays** 6:30-8:00 PM Parlor **Evening Women's Group** 6:30 PM in Room 302 **Men's Journey Group** 6:30 PM in Room 303		**Youth & Young Adults Trunk or Treat Prep Party** 6:00-8:00 PM Fellowship Hall	 **TRUNK OR TREAT** 2:00-4:00 PM (Rain or Shine)	**Adult Journey Groups** **"Jonah, Joel & Amos"** 9:00 AM in Room 305 **"Not Beyond Reach"** 9:00 AM in Room 306	

THANK YOU TO ALL THAT HELP WITH THE ALL-CHURCH OUTDOOR CLEAN-UP

Community Chapel want to extend a heartfelt thank you to those who attended the Church Clean up on October 17th. You did a tremendous job cleaning up the property and we are so appreciate that you took the time out of your busy schedules to help us prepare for the Trunk or Treat event. The yard looks AWESOME and your hard work has not gone unnoticed.



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: BE THE HOPE T-SHIRTS & SWEATSHIRTS!



Many have asked us about purchasing our "Be The Hope" T-Shirts, so they are back! **Sales open through October**. Orders ship directly to you and will arrive by mid-December. All proceeds go to our youth & young adult ministries. Let's continue to extend the hope of Christ to our neighbors, friends, community members, and beyond.

Order here: www.bonfire.com/ccbethehope

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 EVENTS

GRIEF SHARE: SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS



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 **October 21st** in the evening from **6:30 -8:00 PM** and again on **November 18th** for an afternoon session at **1:00-2:30 PM**. Both will be held **in the Parlor**. Please contact Pastor Mary if you have any additional questions.

TRUNK OR TREAT THIS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24TH FROM 2:00-4:00 PM (RAIN OR SHINE)





Invitations are available on shelf in the entrance foyer.

Register here to join the fun by doing a trunk or serving!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2026

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me." Matthew 19:14
During 2025, over 12 million children in far places around the world received packed shoeboxes as they heard the Gospel of God's love for them!

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are available outside the sanctuary **through November 15th**. Please join us in packing shoeboxes at home, with our **children's ministry on November 11th** or with our **SAGES after their luncheon on November 13th**. When packing your shoebox, bars of soap are no longer allowed. Please consider adding a brief personalized note to the child. By registering your shoebox(es) online with your suggested donation of $10.00, you can see where in the world the child receiving it is located. Donated items are also welcome and can be placed in bins in front of the table set up or given to Carol and Bob Fonden.

A shoebox can also be "packed" online at www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline where you can select from a variety of items to put inside your shoebox with a $30.00 donation.

Many of these shoeboxes are shipped to restricted areas in places around the world.

The National Collection Week of which Community Chapel is a central drop off location, will begin collecting shoeboxes on **Sunday November 15th**. Many hands are needed to help and to pray over the packed shoeboxes that are dropped off. Your help during the collection times is greatly appreciated and is a great time of fellowship as we serve together! Collection hours will be: Monday **November 16th** 3:00-5:00 PM, Tuesday **November 17th** 5:00-7:00 PM, Wednesday **November 18th** 3:00-5:00 PM, Thursday **November 19th** 5:00-7:00 PM, Friday **November 20th** 3:00-5:00 PM, Saturday morning **November 21st** 9:00-11:00 AM, Sunday **November 22nd** noon-2:00 PM, and Monday **November 23rd** from 8:00-10:00 AM. A sign-up sheet is available at the OCC display table. Please contact Carol Fonden (sunsetcjf@aol.com or cell 603-321-6707) with any questions or sign up to help.

COLLECTION OF FOOD FOR THANKSGIVING BASKETS 2026

We will 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 8th**. Place items in the plastic bins are in the foyer. It costs approximately $60 to fill a basket including a small Market Basket gift card. Basket Assembly will be on **Thursday, November 12th 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,
Canned Vegetables - corn, sting beans, peas, beans, carrots, beets, asparagus, olives,
Muffin mixes- blueberry, cinnamon, fruit, corn, etc., Cookie mixes, Evaporated Milk
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")

MONTHLY MEN'S MINISTRY DINNER



The next Men of Legacy dinner will be on **Monday, November 2nd** at **6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall**. All are welcome who are (16) and above and 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 or text him 978-729-8523 by Friday, October 30th if you can attend.

SAVE THE DATE - WOMEN'S DAY APART: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH 8:30 AM-2:30 PM

Theme: "Jesus Will Meet You There." **Invitation cards** are available on the shelf in the entrance foyer.
Please register by November 1st by using the QR code to the right or this link.
Cost: $30 (includes continental breakfast and lunch)
Payment can be made to Community Chapel via our on-line giving portal or a check made out to Community Chapel (marked for Women's Day Apart).

Pastor Mary DiLoreto will be sharing with us from God's Word about where Jesus does meet us in the different seasons of life. Come prepared for a day of quiet, a chance to reflect and hear from the Lord.

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.
Our kids are on a new journey: Epic Teachings of the Bible! Grown-ups of kids check out the take home sheet!

Wednesday Rhythm

Kidz Klub will be on a journey into learning to pray the way Jesus taught his followers. **The fun begins at 6:30 PM with pick-up at 8:00 PM**. Questions? Contact Mary Hardwick at maryh@community-chapel.org.

Wednesday, November 11th 5:30 – 7:00 pm - Operation Christmas Child Family Mission Project
Partner with your children in missions sharing God's love with children around the world through OCC shoeboxes! We will share a meal together as we learn more about OCC from regional coordinator Carol Fonden. After dinner we will work as a family or in teams to pack shoeboxes. We will finish our time together by laying hands on the boxes and praying for their recipients. For more information contact Mary Hardwick maryh@community-chapel.org

YOUTH MINISTRY (students grades 7th-12th)



Youth Group will not meet on Wednesday this week, as we have our **Youth & Young Adults Trunk or Treat Prep Party on Friday, October 23rd, from 6:00-8:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall**! We will have food, play games, fellowship together, and help set up for Trunk or Treat! Let pastor Leo know if you will be there: pastorleo@community-chapel.org.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (18-30 years old)

Young Adults Group will not be meeting this Sunday, October 25th, as we are having our **Youth & Young Adults Trunk or Treat Prep Party on Friday, October 23rd, from 6:00-8:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall**. Several of our young adults will also be hosting a trunk for Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 24th, from 2:00-4:00 PM, and there's still room to join! Email Mary Hardwick at maryh@community-chapel.org if you'd like to help out with the event.

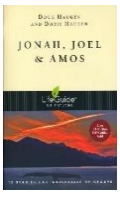
SAGES (Senior Adults Growing, Encouraging & Serving) *All ages 50+ are welcomed!*

Friday, November 13th at 11:30 AM – "A Crunching Buncheon!" We'll be eating breakfast for lunch at this event and then packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child.
To be added to SAGES Mail List: Contact Peggy Kierstead at pak.rek@comcast.net

FALL SUNDAY JOURNEY GROUPS

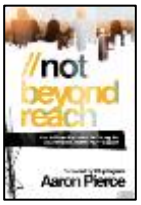
JONAH, JOEL & AMOS





"Jonah, Joel & Amos" group meets on **Sundays at 9:00 AM in Room 305**. In today's world it's easy to wander away from God. Hectic schedules and the quest for success or misplaced priorities often mean that time with God gets neglected. But if we slow down long enough to listen, these three minor prophets - Jonah, Joel and Amos - can have a major impact on the quality of our lives. Books can be purchased at Christianbooks.com and Amazon.

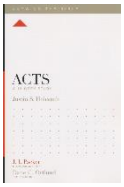
NOT BEYOND REACH



"Not Beyond Reach" group meets on **Sundays at 9:00 AM in Room 306**. Aaron explains how discipleship relationships start even before a loved one accepts Christ. As you build trust over time, you open doors to share the Gospel. He begins by demystifying the underlying idols and inconsistencies at the heart of secular beliefs. Then he outlines a new playbook for reaching the next generation and others who would not walk into a church. The process involves intentionality and dependence on the Holy Spirit to move. Books can be purchased at Amazon.

WOMEN'S JOURNEY GROUPS

WEDNESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S GROUP



This group meets on **Wednesdays from 10:00-11:30 AM in Room 305**. The book of **Acts** chronicles some of the most important events in Christian history: the scattering of Jesus's disciples across the known world, the coming of the Holy Spirit, the birth of the early church, and more. This guide explains biblical text with clarity & passion - helping us understand the history-shaping events that took place in the years following Christ's ascension. Books available at Christianbooks.com and Amazon.

WEDNESDAY EVENING WOMEN'S GROUP



This group meets on **Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 PM in Room 302** and will be studying **Revelations by N.T. Wright**. Many people today regard Revelation as the hardest book in the New Testament with strange, lurid and sometimes bizarre and violent imagery. Revelation offers a clear and sharp vision of God's ultimate purpose for creation, & of the way in which the powerful forces of evil can be & are being overthrown through the victory of Jesus the Messiah and the consequent costly victory of his followers. Books available at Christianbooks.com and Amazon.

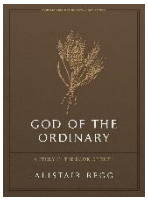
MOM's GROUP



This group will resume on the **1st and 3rd Saturdays from 9:00-10:30 AM in Room 302**. **Gospel-Centered Motherhood** is a booklet that covers a wide range of topics related to the beautiful calling of motherhood. It covers topics like discipleship in the home, guarding your marriage, mom guilt, discipline, perseverance, emotions, and more. Every topic has related Scriptures to meditate on and questions to consider to prompt prayer. Motherhood is a gift, and the ultimate aim is to glorify Christ in and through it. Books available at Christianbooks.com and Amazon. 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.

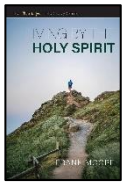
MEN'S JOURNEY GROUPS

MEN'S TUESDAY NIGHT JOURNEY GROUP



FALL MEN'S GROUP FOCUS! Who has ever studied the book of Ruth found in the Old Testament? Before you think that is a study about a woman for women, think again. We will be focusing on **THE GOD OF THE ORDINARY** and consider the God who works in all of life's circumstances. This group meets on **Tuesdays in Room 302 at 6:30 PM**. Books available at Christianbooks.com and Amazon.

WEDNESDAY MEN'S JOURNEY GROUP



This group meets on **Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in Room 303** and is studying a book, ***Living by the Holy Spirit*** by renowned Nazarene theologian Dr. Frank Moore. Rather than treating the Holy Spirit as an abstract concept or a temporary feeling, this practical study explores how the Spirit's transforming power brings lasting joy, peace, and spiritual strength to our everyday lives. If you would like to purchase the book, you can purchased online at Amazon.

YOUNG MEN'S JOURNEY GROUP



This group meets on the **1st and 3rd Saturdays from 9:00-10:30 AM in Room 303** and is studying a series from the Bible Project on the **Ten Commandments** through YouVersion. You can click here: https://www.bible.com/en/reading-plans/72440 This plan explores the 10 Commandments within the Bible's larger story, revealing the deeper wisdom often missed when they're treated as mere rules. All are welcome and no commitment is required! Childcare will be provided! Call or text Ben Gentry with questions on 603-370-2530.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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 or 603-883-8345. As always, thank you for your faithful giving.

GENERAL INFORMATION/UPDATE

2026-27 CHURCH BOARD

Bob Fonden	Joan Kerr	Rebecca Kisakye	Bill Lambalot	Carol Lemay
Vickie Mello	Kerry Mertins	Joy Rogers	Bruce Wilson	

2025-26 NCLC BOARD

Shayna Burgher	Alethea Carter	Angela DeRusha	Pastor Mary DiLoreto
Alyssa Gentry	Jody Mear	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.

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 20, 2026: Semi-continuous: Psalm 63:1-8; Numbers 12:1-9; Revelation 18:21-24; Complementary: Psalm 98; Daniel 3:19-30; Revelation 18:21-24;
Wednesday, October 21, 2026: Semi-continuous: Psalm 63:1-8; Numbers 13:1-2, 17-14:9; Matthew 17:22-27; Complementary: Psalm 98; Daniel 6:1-28; Matthew 17:22-27;
Thursday, October 22, 2026: Semi-continuous: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; Deuteronomy 31:14-22; Titus 1:5-16; Complementary: Psalm 1; Numbers 5:5-10; Titus 1:5-16;
Friday, October 23, 2026: Semi-continuous: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; Deuteronomy 32:1-14, 18; Titus 2:7-8, 11-15; Complementary: Psalm 1; Deuteronomy 9:25-10:5; Titus 2:7-8, 11-15;
Saturday, October 24, 2026: Semi-continuous: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; Deuteronomy 32:44-47; John 5:39-47; Complementary: Psalm 1; Proverbs 24:23-34; John 5:39-47;
Sunday, October 25, 2026: Proper 25 (30) - Deuteronomy 34:1-12 and Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17, Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 and Psalm 1, 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8, Matthew 22:34-46
Monday, October 26, 2026: Semi-continuous: Psalm 119:41-48 ; Numbers 33:38-39; James 2:8-13; Complementary: Psalm 119:41-48; Deuteronomy 6:1-9, 20-25; James 2:8-13;

If you are interested in adding the daily reading plan to your calendar, please click on this link to subscribe: https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/subscribe/