



COMMUNITY CHAPEL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

~ October 7, 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.

You can pick up your **Together at the Table** guide at the church on Sunday, October 12th.

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 10/7	Wednesday 10/8	Thursday 10/9	Friday 10/10	Saturday 10/11	Sunday 10/12	Monday 10/13
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 306 GriefShare – Loss of a Spouse 1:00 PM 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			Mom's Group 9:00 AM in Room 302 Young Men's Journey Group 9:00 AM in Room 303 Fitzpatrick's Marriage Celebration 1:00-4:00 PM Fellowship Hall	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 Pastor Leo's house	OFFICE IS CLOSED Columbus/Indigenous Peoples Day Men's Legacy Dinner 6:30 PM Fellowship Hall

CLERGY APPRECIATION MONTH

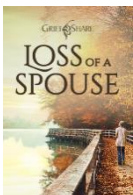
During the month of October, we want to show our appreciation to each of our pastors for their service to us. We ask you to consider encouraging and expressing your care for them, in a tangible way. There is additional information on the following website:

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



UPCOMING EVENTS

GRIEF SHARE: LOSS OF A SPOUSE



Our Grief Share program will offer a "Loss of A Spouse" session on **Wednesday, October 8th at 1:00 PM** here at Community Chapel in the parlor. If you know someone grieving the loss of their spouse, invite them to join us. They can reach out to Pastor Mary with any questions.

LEANDRA (PASTOR LEO) & ANDREW'S MARRIAGE CELEBRATION

You are invited to celebrate Leandra and Andrew's Marriage Celebration on **October 11th from 1:00-4:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall**. Light snacks will be provided. Come & go as you please. It's a casual celebration.



MONTHLY MEN'S MINISTRY DINNER

Men of Legacy dinner will resume on **Monday, October 13th 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 at 978-729-8523 by Friday, October 10th if you are able to attend.



MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

DEMAND FREEDOM EVENT – END HUMAN TRAFFICKING October 11th, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

An opportunity to deepen our understanding of sexual exploitation through thought-provoking sessions and workshops led by national experts and local leaders. This event is not about shame— it's an invitation to step into a new vision of freedom, dignity and justice as we rise to the challenges of our day.

Registration required: \$25.00 - light breakfast and lunch included <http://bit.ly/3Ux7bl2>

Click [here](#) for the flyer of the event and [here](#) for detailed information about the presenters.

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 SHOEBOXES 2025

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes will be available starting October 19th. Please join us in sharing God's hope and the Gospel with children all over the world by packing shoeboxes.

Stay tuned for more details.

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	Week		Year To Date	Year To Date	YTD
\$11,500	10/5/25		Date	Budget	Performance
FY25-Need: \$598,000	Giving		Giving		To Budget
Tithes & Offerings	\$9,074		\$237,455	\$285,369	-\$47,914
World Missions	\$633		\$25,701	\$23,573	\$2,128
Building Fund	\$100		\$1,111	\$1,558	-\$447
Total Giving	\$9,807		\$264,267	\$310,500	-\$46,233
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.

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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



Trunk or Treat – Saturday, Oct. 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., Nov. 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:



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!

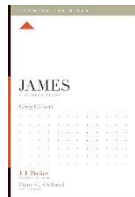
Our next Zone Huddle is **Saturday, October 18th from 5:00-9:00 PM**. Zone Huddles are a time to get together with our district friends for fellowship and fun. This month, we're having Soup Dinner & Pumpkin Carving (bring your own pumpkin) at Malden Church of the Nazarene. We'll meet at

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

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (18-30 years old)

This week, for the holiday weekend, our Young Adults will have a fire pit/game night at Pastor Leo's house, 5:30-8:00 PM! Please reach out to Pastor Leo pastorleo@community-chapel.org if you need the address.

FALL SUNDAY JOURNEY GROUPS



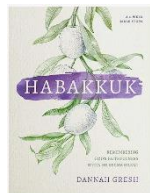
This group meets **Sundays at 9:00 AM in Room 305**. In **James: A 12-Week Study**, pastor and author Greg Gilbert examines the message of James, exploring the book's difficult teachings on wealth, anointing with oil, prayer, healing, and the relationship between faith and works. Books can be purchased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



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.

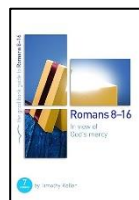
WOMEN'S JOURNEY GROUPS

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



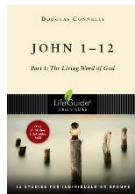
This group meets **Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM in Room 302** and is studying Romans 8-16: In view of God's mercy. In this seven-session study of Romans 8-16, Timothy Keller shows groups how to live life in response to God's mercy, by the power of his Spirit. He says that Romans 8 contains the secret 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 **Psalms 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



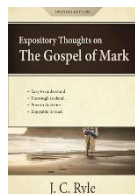
MEN'S TUESDAY NIGHT JOURNEY GROUP

This group meets **on Tuesdays 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 purchased 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"

Join us after worship service in the Fellowship Hall for fellowship and ice cream.

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 07, 2025: [Semi-continuous: Psalm 137; Lamentations 2:13-22; 1 John 5:1-5, 13-21;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 3; Habakkuk 2:5-11; 1 John 5:1-5, 13-21;](#)

Wednesday, October 08, 2025: [Semi-continuous: Psalm 137; Lamentations 5:1-22; Mark 11:12-14, 20-24;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 3; Habakkuk 2:12-20; Mark 11:12-14, 20-24;](#)

Thursday, October 09, 2025: [Semi-continuous: Psalm 66:1-12; Jeremiah 25:1-14; 2 Timothy 1:13-18;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 111; Leviticus 14:33-53; 2 Timothy 1:13-18;](#)

Friday, October 10, 2025: [Semi-continuous: Psalm 66:1-12; Jeremiah 27:1-22; 2 Timothy 2:1-7;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 111; Numbers 4:34-5:4; 2 Timothy 2:1-7;](#)

Saturday, October 11, 2025: [Semi-continuous: Psalm 66:1-12; Jeremiah 28:1-17; Luke 5:12-16;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 111; Numbers 12:1-15; Luke 5:12-16;](#)

Sunday, October 12, 2025: [Proper 23 \(28\) - Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 and Psalm 66:1-12; 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c and Psalm 111; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19](#)

Monday, October 13, 2025: [Semi-continuous: Psalm 102:1-17; Jeremiah 29:8-23; Acts 26:24-29;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 61; 2 Kings 5:15-19a; Acts 26:24-29;](#)

Monday, October 13, 2025: [Canadian Thanksgiving Day - Deuteronomy 26:1-11 and Psalm 100; Philippians 4:4-9; John 6:25-35](#)

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>