



COMMUNITY CHAPEL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

~ September 30, 2025 ~

IN A SHEPHERD'S WORD

The "Enoughness of God" for These Days

In recent weeks and months, we have witnessed some very unsettling and upsetting events in our country and world. If we are not careful, we can become drawn into the *doomscrolling* of these events and find ourselves growing increasingly anxious, fearful, and angry. And though there is much that can be said, and needs to be said, about ways we approach these times, it begins with this truth:

God is enough.

I know that feels like a quaint, religious platitude. It feels like something we say when we do not know what to say. It is more than that. It is the anchored truth of walking each day, one step at a time, through the world that, oftentimes, feels like unstable, shaky ground.

At the heart of this series of sermons from Ephesians, "***Captivated by Grace***", is the truth of this posture of God toward us. The "*enoughness*" of God." He is turned toward us with a plenteous supply of grace. Grace is the operational love of God that changes how we view God, ourselves, our world, and our way of being in the world! And, it is the resource from God we draw from that enables us to live each day for him. These words from another book offer an invitation for us in these days... ***Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. (Hebrews 4:16).***

I find myself turning to this God of plenteous grace, who gives us what is needed as it is needed. And especially in the places where life seems anxious, the world seems unstable, and the ground seems shaky, I must remember, God is postured to us with his abundant grace. That is what this prayer is about. Pray it with me...

*I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the **hope** to which he has called you, the **riches** of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his **incomparably great power** for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he **raised Christ** from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, **far above all rule and authority, power and dominion**, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.*
(Ephesians 1:18-21)

God is enough.

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

Wednesdays at 9:00 AM

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

Join our Monthly 24 Hours Prayer **THIS Friday and Saturday, October 3rd & 4th.** 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.

CRU missionaries, Edward and Emily Brake, encouraged us to sign up for **40-Days of 24/7 prayer with CRU**, praying for college campuses across the country August 23 through October 1st. Scan the QR code to sign up for a slot or click [here](#).



THIS WEEK AT COMMUNITY CHAPEL

Tuesday 9/30	Wednesday 10/1	Thursday 10/2	Friday 10/3	Saturday 10/4	Sunday 10/5	Monday 10/6
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 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		Monthly 24 Hours Prayer starts 6:00 AM	Monthly 24 Hours Prayer ends 6:00 AM NYC Fundraiser: Church Rummage Sale! 8:00 AM-2:00 PM	GOOD SAMARITAN BENEVOLENT FUND SUNDAY 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 Room 304	

THANK YOU FOR GENEROUS DONATIONS TO "BAGS OF HOPE"



Thank you to our congregation for your very generous donations of personal hygiene items for our "Bags of Hope" event on September 6th. The amount of donations greatly exceeded our expectations. 30 bags were filled and distributed to three women's facilities in Nashua: Cynthia Day Center, Revive Recovery, and GateHouse Treatment Center. Powerful testimonies were given from Jasmine and Dina, both previously trafficked, and representing the "Beauty from Ashes" Ministry.

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

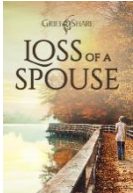
NAZARENE YOUTH CONFERENCE FUNDRAISER: CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE!

THIS SATURDAY, October 4th, 2025, 8:00 AM-2:00 PM!

Help our teens get to Nazarene Youth Conference by donating items to our Church Rummage Sale or by volunteering to help on sale day! Click [HERE](#) for Donation Information. Sign up to volunteer [HERE](#).



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 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	9/28/25		Date	Budget	Performance
FY25-Need: \$598,000	Giving		Giving		To Budget
Tithes & Offerings	\$7,443		\$221,985	\$274,800	-\$52,815
World Missions	\$740		\$24,878	\$22,700	\$2,178
Building Fund	\$0		\$1,011	\$1,500	-\$489
Total Giving	\$8,183		\$247,874	\$299,000	-\$51,126
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.



GOOD SAMARITAN BENEVOLENT FUND

WHY GOOD SAMARITAN BENEVOLENT FUND? All offerings to the Good Samaritan Benevolent Fund are strategic in bringing 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, October 5th.**

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

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

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.

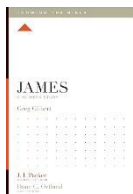
Contact Pastor Leo with any questions: pastorleo@community-chapel.org



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.

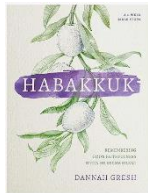
Books can be purchased at Christianbooks.com or Amazon.

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

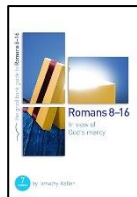
WEDNESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S GROUP



"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!

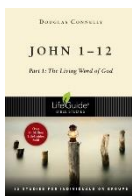
MEN'S JOURNEY GROUPS

MEN'S TUESDAY NIGHT JOURNEY GROUP

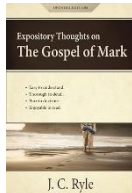
This group meets on **Tuesdays at 6:30 PM in Room 302**.

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, September 30, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Psalm 119:49-56; Jeremiah 32:36-44; James 5:1-6;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 62; Hosea 10:9-15; James 5:1-6;](#)

Wednesday, October 01, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Psalm 119:49-56; Jeremiah 33:1-13; Matthew 19:16-22;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 62; Hosea 12:2-14; Matthew 19:16-22;](#)

Thursday, October 02, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Lamentations 3:19-26; Jeremiah 52:1-11; Revelation 2:8-11;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 37:1-9; 2 Kings 18:1-8, 28-36; Revelation 2:8-11;](#)

Friday, October 03, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Lamentations 3:19-26; Jeremiah 52:12-30; Revelation 2:12-29;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 37:1-9; 2 Kings 19:8-20, 35-37; Revelation 2:12-29;](#)

Saturday, October 04, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Lamentations 3:19-26; Lamentations 1:7-15; Matthew 20:29-34;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 37:1-9; Isaiah 7:1-9; Matthew 20:29-34;](#)

Sunday, October 05, 2025: [Proper 22 \(27\)](#) - [Lamentations 1:1-6](#) and [Lamentations 3:19-26](#) or [Psalm 137;](#)

[Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4](#) and [Psalm 37:1-9; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10](#)

Monday, October 06, 2025:

[Semi-continuous: Psalm 137; Lamentations 1:16-22; James 1:2-11;](#)

[Complementary: Psalm 3; Habakkuk 1:5-17; James 1:2-11;](#)

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>