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How Do You Listen to Sermons?

“Whoever speaks, [let him so do] as one who speaks oracles of God” 1 Peter 4:11

This verse may be an odd way to begin an article about listening to sermons. After all, it’s talking about speaking. I can promise you that my heart’s desire as your pastor is to do exactly what Peter says in 1 Peter chapter 4, verse 11. I pray regularly that the Holy Spirit will speak to you, and He is who you would hear, and not me. My challenge, for you is for you to approach your hearing of sermons with the same serious intention. The sermons that you hear are not for your neighbor, they’re not for your coworker, they’re not for your spouse, and they’re not for your children. They are for you. If I were to complement Peter’s writing above, I would say “whoever listens, let him do so as one who listens to the oracles of God.” Is that how you listen? Do you listen to hear His voice? Do you come with such excited and expectant anticipation that nothing can keep you from the pulpit of God? Do you long to hear how He would direct your life from His word? I can’t answer that question for you, but I’m quite certain, that many of us hear sermons, and think of others who we wish had heard what we did. Listen to the author of Hebrews (2:1), “Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it.”

So there is such a thing as drifting away from good, solid, honest, and accurate preaching. There is such a thing as a congregation or an individual leaving sound preaching. Evaluate then how you hear, how you take notes, how you discuss, and how you use the preached word to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. May God continue to pour out His goodness through His means of grace!

For His glory,
Pastor Dinkins

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Address

600 Old Lexington Hwy.
Chapin, SC 29036

Sunday Services

Worship Service - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School - 10:45 a.m.

Connect With Us For Updates!





MEMORY VERSE

Our memory verse for the month is 1 Chronicles 29:11 "Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all." The preschool version is "Lord, You are great and powerful."

MEMORY VERSE SONG

Here's the link to the memory verse song:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zyXVcxuNOHI>

BAPTISM

On Sunday, September 17, we will be celebrating the sacrament of baptism with our church family. If you would like to have your child baptized, please contact the church office at secretary@chapinpres.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS
Sep 3- Jesus' Miracles Prove He is God (John 14)
Sep 10 - Jesus Taught About Character (Matthew 5)
Sep 17 - Jesus Taught About Behavior (Matthew 6)
Sep 24- Jesus Taught About God's Love (Luke 15)

KIDZ WORSHIP CLUB

SAVE THE DATE!! Kidz Worship Club is back on Sunday, Sept. 10, from 4 - 5 p.m. in Room 223. This year we are extending the age to include 1st - 7th graders and would love to have your child join us! In the KWC, we memorize verses, sing songs, play hand bells, and learn about God's Word together each week. We plan to add a Christmas musical as well! Contact Kayce at children@chapinpres.com with any questions. We can't wait to see your children there!



GOOD NEWS CLUB

As the new school year begins, we are excited to be back in Chapin Elementary with our Good News Club! If you are interested in serving with the GNC this year, please contact Lori Williams at cpcgoodnewsclub@chapinpres.com.



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS
Sep 3- Flood; Noahic Covenant
Sep 10 - The Tower of Babel
Sep 17 - The Abrahamic Covenant
Sep 24- Isaac, Jacob, and Esau

GRAVITY G-TIME

Our 5th-6th graders meet each Sunday from 5-7pm at CPC to eat, play games, and grow in God's Word. This year we are comparing different worldviews to God's Word, and discussing how we can know and recognize Truth from lies.

GRAVITY UPDATE

In Sunday School, our GRAVITY group is continuing their study of the book of Genesis with Mrs. Anna Mary Forrest. The September memory verse is Matthew 5:1-12, the Beatitudes. We hope to see all of our 5th-6th graders there on Sunday mornings!

G-TIME SCHEDULE

- Sep 3- NO G-TIME (Labor Day holiday)
- Sep 10 - G-TIME at CPC from 5-7pm
- Sep 17 - Fun Fellowship
- Sep 24- G-TIME at CPC from 5-7pm

COMMUNICANT'S CLASS

Communicant's classes will be offered for both teens and children this fall. They will be meeting in the months of Nov. (teens) and Dec. (children). Contact Neal or Terry Stoker for more information at terry.stoker@gmail.com.



HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS
Join us on a 9-week journey as we explore what it means to let the gospel shape every aspect of our lives. We will be using Robert Thunes, "The Gospel-Centered Life for teens" as our study guide (provided). Bring a friend!

REFORMED COMMUNITY NIGHT

Our student ministry (7th-12 grade) meets on Sundays (except 9/3) from 5-7 p.m. at CPC to share a meal, play games, and dig deeper into the Word.

FALL RETREAT INFORMATION

Every fall students head to Camp Cedar Cliff to enjoy God's creation, have fun together, and grow in their relationship with Jesus. This year students will hear from Jason Pittman, Northeast Presbyterian Church's former Youth Pastor. Dates are 11/17 - 11/19 and the cost is \$165/student. Scholarships are available. Final registration is due by October 31st. Contact mitch@chapinpres.com with any questions!

Come join us for dinner and encouragement as we continue learning what it means to be a disciple.

Women's Ministry

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT "FIXING OUR EYES ON JESUS"

Dates: October 6th - 7th
Time: Friday, 6 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Saturday, 9 a.m. - 2:30 pm
Location: CPC
Cost: \$20

Register by check in the offering plate or online and designate for: "Women's Ministry"

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Come and fellowship with women of all ages as we study God's word together, using Nancy Guthrie's "Blessed: Experiencing the Promise of the Book of Revelation." This class will meet on Tuesdays at 6:15 - 8:00 p.m. in room 224. Contact Laura Hunt if you have any questions: (803) 318-6901.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL BIBLE STUDY

This fall, Women of the Word (W.O.W.) Bible study will return to CPC. We will be studying a program created by Jen Wilkin titled, "God of Creation" on Genesis. This is a 10 week course, September 13th through November 15th from 9:30 - 11:00 am. Childcare is available. For more information or to register, contact Judy McMillin at (803) 413-0064 or judymcmillin@sc.rr.com.



Our CPC Men have been gathering together in fellowship opportunities like the recent Fish Fry and the Father's Day Pancake Breakfast. As a result, many have expressed an interest in joining a small group. We need men to lead new groups. If you are interested, contact Gary Butler at 803-600-5071.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Come and fellowship with the men in the church and hear Jason Hunt, our new assistant pastor as he shares his testimony, September 9th at 8:00 am in the fellowship hall. Register by contacting the church office at secretary@chapinpres.com

MEN'S FIELD DAY

Mark your calendar and save the date for a field day of events on Saturday, October 21st from 3 - 7 p.m. This event will be held at the home of Steve Thomas. More information to come!

RETIRED MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Retired Men's Bible Study will resume meeting at the church upstairs in room 224 on September 13th at 9 a.m. We will be continuing to watch "The Chosen" video series. Contact Don Tyler if you have any questions at tyle6544@bellsouth.net.

USHERING OPPORTUNITY

Ushering is a great opportunity to serve our church family. All men are welcome to serve including our young men. Duties usually include serving one Sunday a month. Contact Billy Smith if interested at (803) 318-8123 or scterp21@yahoo.com.



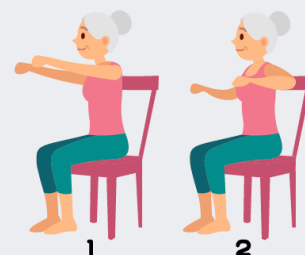
LUNCH & LEARN

Date: September 15th
Time: 12:00 p.m.
Program: CPC Mercy Team
Speaker: Sean Cassidy
Cost: \$5

Registration will be available in the church narthex the two Sundays prior to the event, on September 3rd and September 10th. Pre-registration is required.

EXERCISE CLASS

The Chair Exercise Class will resume meeting again on Wednesday, September 6th at 11:45 a.m. All are welcome and no experience necessary!



For more information, contact Ellen Robertson at ellenanddonald@gmail.com.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

We hope you'll get plugged in to one of these classes,

meeting at 8:30 am:

Face to Face with Jesus - Family Center

meeting at 10:45 am:

Acts - Family Center
Inquirer's Class - Room TBD
Knowing God - Room 224
Sermon Discussion - Room 221

WE CARE ITEMS NEEDED

1. soup
2. canned Fruit
3. Spaghetti's
4. syrup
5. canned corn
6. canned meats
7. canned potatoes
8. cereal
9. canned peas
10. Jelloank yo



Paper products, cleaning supplies and toiletries are ALWAYS needed as well!

COMMUNION SUNDAY

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed during the worship service on Sunday, September 3. This is one of the most significant events in our church life and we encourage you to take time and ask God to search your heart in preparation for communion.

CORPORATE PRAYER

Join us for a special time of corporate prayer at CPC on September 24th at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary. The focus of our time will be to pray God's word for our various fall ministries. Apart from Him, we can do nothing (Jn 15:5) and unless He builds the house, we labor in vain (Ps 127:1). Let's seek the Lord together and ask Him to do supernatural things in our midst!

WEDNESDAY CONNECT

Wednesday Connect will be returning in October! More details coming soon.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Sign-ups for Community Groups are happening now and there is still space in some groups. CPC Community Groups include participants of all ages and stages of life and usually meet in homes, generally 2-3 times per month. If you have questions or are interested in leading a Community Group, please contact Pate Cooper (patecooper@msn.com) for more information.



It's time again to Fill the Freezer for our foster families! This project is simple. Pick up an aluminum pan in the lobby on Sunday, fill it with a meal, freeze it, and bring it back to place it in the white freezer in the kitchen for our foster families. Please remember to include any

cooking instructions and the date it was frozen. We are thankful to have such a practical way to support these special families, especially at the start of another busy school year.

SEPTEMBER GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

DOOR GREETER (9:30 a.m.)

- 1st Sunday — Bill & Gail Calhoun
- 2nd Sunday — Weston & Beth Curtis
- 3rd Sunday — John & Frances Derrick
- 4th Sunday — The Bonnett Family

RECEPTION DESK (9:30 a.m.)

- 1st Sunday — Sheila Sargent
- 2nd Sunday — Steve & Retta Yandle
- 3rd Sunday — Chuck & Jan Staples
- 4th Sunday — Judy Weathersbee

SEPTEMBER DUTY DEACONS

Toney Higbe &
Eddie Weathersbee

ALL IN THE FAMILY



It does take a family for a church body to function as the Lord intended. He put each of us in place for a particular job within His church. Are you doing what He would have you do at Chapin Presbyterian Church? The Children's area can always use extra help as can the Youth department. Then out front on Sunday mornings you can greet people, help pass out name tags or work at the Reception Desk. And just maybe you have different ideas as to how you

can serve. Let us know! If you aren't helping, not only are you being missed but you are missing out on numerous blessings as you serve. Don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions and I will help you figure out what might be best for you.

Love,
Helen



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



SEP 1	Sophia Davis	SEP 9	Charlie Todd	SEP 16	Elizabeth Bird	SEP 23	Rory VanDeusen
SEP 2	Susan Marsh	SEP 12	Craig Malone		Gail Calhoun	SEP 24	Derrick Evans
SEP 3	Aiden Ballentine		Fran Ricks		Zachary Stauffer		Sandra Fulmer
	Harper Vance	SEP 13	Nancy Hanna		Madeline Wilkins	SEP 26	Rosemary Wilkins
SEP 4	Liz DeCuers	SEP 14	Matthew Cook	SEP 17	Guy Gierhart	SEP 27	Jill Stauffer
SEP 5	Weston Watts		Brenda Musick	SEP 18	Debbie Doster	SEP 28	Clare Steele
SEP 6	Manny Venegas		Aimes Pridmore	SEP 20	Brenda Cooke		Piper Barber
	Don Tyler	SEP 15	Wilks Reese		Renee Doyle	SEP 30	Bill Calhoun
SEP 7	Kathleen Shafer		Palmer Steele	SEP 21	Reagan Sherrard		Helen Pridmore
SEP 8	West Belch			SEP 22	Hank Harvell		

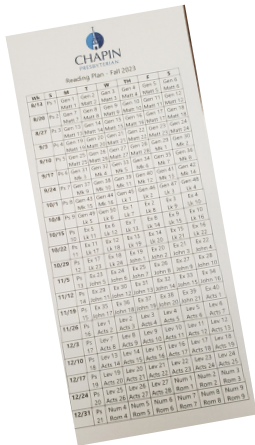
OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 4th in observance of Labor Day. Session and Staff meetings normally scheduled for that day will be held on Tuesday, September 5th.

FLOWER DATES AVAILABLE

There are still dates available on the 2023 calendar for you to choose your special flower date in memory, honor or celebration of your loved one. Please call the church office (345-0500) to reserve your date. Cost of the arrangement is \$45.00.

READING PLANS



Reading Plans are available in the church narthex at the information desk. This is a great way to systematically read through the entire Bible, one piece at a time. It's not too late to start!

Contact Jason Hunt for more information at Jason@chapinpres.com.

ONLINE GIVING

Online Giving Options: Visit www.chapinpres.org, Realm Connect on your phone, or by texting 73256 and entering chapinpres.



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SEPTEMBER CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 3

COMMUNION SUNDAY

9:30 AM Worship Service
10:45 AM Sunday School (For all ages)
NO AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 4

LABOR DAY, OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 5

6:00 PM Session Meeting
6:15 PM Women's Bible Study, Rm. 224

WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 6

11:45 AM Women's Chair Exercise Class
6:30 PM Reformed Sm Grp Leader Training

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 9

8:00 AM Men's Breakfast

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 10

9:30 AM Worship Service
10:45 AM Sunday School (For all ages)
10:45 AM Inquirer's Class Begins
4:00 PM Kidz Worship Club, Rm. 223
5:00 PM G-Time and Reformed

MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 11

6:00 PM Diaconate Meeting

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 12

6:15 PM Women's Bible Study, Rm. 224

WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 13

9:00 AM Retired Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM WOW Bible Study
11:45 AM Women's Chair Exercise Class
6:30 PM Reformed Small Group Launch

FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 15

12:00 PM Sainly Seniors Lunch & Learn

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 17

9:30 AM Worship Service with Baptisms
10:45 AM Sunday School (For all ages)
10:45 AM Inquirer's Class
4:00 PM Kidz Worship Club, Rm. 223
5:00 PM G-Time
5:00 PM Reformed

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 19

5:30 PM Administrative Group Meeting
6:15 PM Women's Bible Study, Rm. 224

WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 20

9:00 AM RMBS
9:30 AM WOW
11:45 AM Women's Chair Exercise Class
6:30 PM Reformed Small Groups

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 24

9:30 AM Worship Service
10:45 AM Sunday School (For all ages)
10:45 AM Inquirer's Class
12:00 PM Inquirer's Class Luncheon / Last Session
4:00 PM Kidz Worship Club, Rm. 223
5:00 PM Corporate Prayer Event
5:00 PM G-Time
5:00 PM Reformed

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 26

6:30 PM Facilities Committee Meeting
6:15 PM Women's Bible Study, Rm. 224

WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 27

9:00 AM Retired Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM WOW Bible Study
11:45 AM Women's Chair Exercise Class
6:30 PM Reformed Small Groups

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 1

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD KICK-OFF
3:30 PM Dr. Jason Hunt, Installation Service

CHURCH STAFF INFORMATION

MAIN TELEPHONE NUMBER: 803.345.0500

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Jason Hunt, Assistant Pastor
Helen Anderson, CARE Ministry
Lisa Cain, Office Assistant
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