



# WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CHAPEL LANE!

*“Growing a Faith That Must Be Shared”*

Sept. 10, 2017

Welcome Sunday

10:00 AM

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

\* Please stand, if you are able

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

Welcome visitors, friends, and members as we glorify God and sing praises to our Lord Jesus Christ on this holy Sabbath day. May you feel the Spirit’s presence all around us! *(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and use the prayer request cards for your joys/concerns.)*

### Interlude Music & Lighting of the Christ Candle

### Call to Worship

*(Based on Psalm 149:1-4)*

Praise the Eternal Lord! Write new songs; sing them to God with all your might!

**Gather with the Lord’s faithful followers in joyful praise;**

Let all of Israel celebrate their Maker, their God, their friend;

**Let the children of Zion find great joy in their true King.**

So let the music begin; praise God’s holy name—

**Let us dance and sing to the rhythm of the tambourine, and to the tune of the harp.**

For the Eternal Lord is listening,

**And nothing pleases God more than the sound of a joyful people.**

### Gathering Prayer

### \* Gathering Song

*“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”*

#385

### Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

Most gracious God, Giver of all life, who loves and forgives us as unworthy as we may be, we confess that we are burdened by excess baggage as we travel the roads you send us down. We are caught up too soon in the trappings of religion, rather than rejoicing in the life of the Spirit. We seek

too quickly to be a successful organization rather than a church on a mission. We too often wish to be served rather than to serve. For all this, forgive us, and free us to walk the paths of righteousness, through Jesus Christ, the Way, we pray. Amen. *(Silent Prayer of Confession)*

### Prayer Response

*“Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me”*

#71

*Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be afraid.*

*For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and God will be my Savior.*

### Assurance of Pardon

### \* Response of Praise

*“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”*

#35 (vs. 3)

*Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in m adore him!*

*All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!*

*Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly for aye we adore him.*

### \*Sharing the Peace of Christ

## WE OPEN OUR HEARTS TO GOD’S WORD

### Sung Prayer for Illumination

*“Open the Eyes of My Heart”*

#452

### First Lesson

**Romans 13:8-14**

**NRSV pg. 1034**

Response: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### Second Lesson

**Matthew 18:15-20**

**NRSV pg. 895**

Response: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### Children’s Sermon

*“Welcome, Miss Erica!”*

### Sermon

*“Does Anybody Really Know What Time It Is?”*

## WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH JOY

### \* Song of Response

*“Though I May Speak”*

#693

### \* Affirmation of Faith

*--Based on Romans 8*

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God’s purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

## Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Offering of our Gifts

*Offertory*

\* Offertory Response                      *“Great God of Every Blessing”*                      #694 (vs. 1)

*Great God of every blessing, of faithful, loving care,  
You are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share.  
How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:  
Sincerely and completely, I offer you my heart.*

\* Prayer of Dedication of our Offerings

## WE GO OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

\* Sending Song                      *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”*                      #366

\* Charge and Benediction and Grace for the Meal

\* Benediction Response                      *“May the God of Hope Go With Us”*                      #765

*May the God of hope go with us every day,  
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.  
Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all;  
Working, for a world that's new; faithful, when we hear Christ's call.*

\* Postlude

## OUR WORSHIP IS ENDED, OUR SERVICE BEGINS!

### Questions for Reflection

What do you think the Apostle Paul meant when he said,  
“The night is almost over and the day is near?”  
What are some of the behaviors of “the night” which we are  
encouraged by Paul to get rid of?

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF Sep 10, 2017

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*Welcome Friends!* If you are new in the area or looking for a church home, we hope you will consider becoming a part of this community of faith. Please use the Fellowship Pad to note your presence with us and the welcome card to help us serve you better. **There is a large- print Bible and handheld hearing devices on the table at the back of the sanctuary and also in the foyer for anyone who needs them.**

*Please be advised:* Videos, audiotapes, and photographs may be taken during worship and other church activities for broad use (including the Internet), and that by attending you consent to this and to the broad use described. **If you do not wish to have your photo taken and/or published on our website**, please send a request in writing to [office@chapellane.org](mailto:office@chapellane.org) or Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church, 5501 Jefferson Ave., Midland, MI 48640.

*Children in Worship:* We have *Worship Bags* in the back of the sanctuary containing worship aids for children: Blue-handled bags for older children, red-handled bags for younger. Please return them to the floor below the rack at the end of the service. We have a staffed *nursery* for children infant through first grade (older children may use the nursery and playground if accompanied by an adult). During the school year, we offer *Children's Church* for kids from kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade on most Sundays. Children will remain for part of worship and will be dismissed part way through the service to a time geared toward them.

*Tape Ministry:* Each week our worship service is taped and sent to our homebound members and friends. This is a ministry of our Deacons. If you would like more information, please contact Harry White (692-2059).

*Bulletin Announcements:* Bulletin announcements are listed **two weeks** prior to an event. For a forecast of upcoming events farther in the future, please visit “newsletter” or the church “calendar” at [www.chapellane.org](http://www.chapellane.org). Did you miss last week's announcements? They may be viewed at “Worship /bulletin” at [www.chapellane.org](http://www.chapellane.org).

### CHAPEL LANE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Today through Sep 24, 2017

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**FISH starts this Wednesday:** See bulletin insert for the details about our new mid-week program for children, youth and families.

**Pot Luck Luncheon and Hymn Sing:** Join us today for a Pot Luck Luncheon (following 10 a.m. worship) and a Hymn Sing. Please bring a hymnbook from the pew to your table for the Hymn Sing.

**Pictorial Directory:** Barb Boyer will be in the Fellowship area to schedule members for the pictorial directory beginning today, September 10 through the week of October 8. To avoid scheduling conflicts, please bring your calendars. Your photo sitting may be scheduled from 2-9 p.m. on Wednesday, October 11 through Friday, October 13 or on Saturday, October 14 from 2-4 p.m. If you plan to be out of town, there is the opportunity to schedule with Lifetouch photographers at a site in Midland or in the area. Barb Boyer can help you with this.

Board of Membership and Growth

**Lectionary-Based Class:** Plan to join the Lectionary-Based Class, which meets at 9:00 a.m. in the Library each Sunday to explore in more detail the Scripture reading assigned to that week and which frequently (but not always!) serves as the basis of that week's sermon. Our first class for this year is next Sunday, September 17. We hope to see you there!

**Afternoon Ladies' Circle:** The afternoon ladies' circle will have its first study of the 2017-2018 season on (the third) Monday, September 18, in the church **parlor**. We will meet from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The lesson book is entitled **Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews** and costs \$11. Each of the nine lessons will focus on a specific theme revealed in The Epistle to the Hebrews with the overarching motif of *community*. The emphasis of the first lesson is that Jesus, the Christ, is the basis of all of our faith and action, individually and as a faith community. Everyone is welcome! Questions? Please call Sally Ann Sutton at 835-2428.

**FEMA Assistance:** On August 2<sup>nd</sup>, individual assistance for residents of Bay, Midland, Gladwin and Isabella counties was approved by FEMA. This financial assistance is for those affected by the severe storms and flooding that occurred in June. The Declaration # is: FEMA-4326-DR-MI and you must apply by October 2<sup>nd</sup> under this number for consideration of funds, even if you applied once before and was denied. For information, go to: [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov) and look under Individual Assistance.

**Cajun Dinner:** It's time to reserve your Cajun dinner by phone (835-4542) or by email [k2buell@aol.com](mailto:k2buell@aol.com). The cost is remaining at \$8.00 per meal and includes red beans and rice, cornbread, salads and cookies. Net assets are to be distributed to the Haiti Project and Flood relief.

**Cajun Dinner Cookies:** We are once again looking for cookie bakers for the Cajun Dinner on September 18. Needed are four dozen chocolate chip cookies (no nuts), place two cookies per sandwich bag and deliver them to the church on the 17<sup>th</sup> or the morning of the 18<sup>th</sup>. Please put your name on your bundle. If you are able to help, please let Carol

Rowe know at church, by phone, 486-8329 or email [carolrowe@charter.net](mailto:carolrowe@charter.net). Your help is appreciated!

**Molly Young Update:** "Dear Chapel Lane Family, I wanted to share an update with you on my treatments! I just received my 12<sup>th</sup> dose of chemo this week, with four more to go. One of those drugs will continue until July 2018, every three weeks, and I will start radiation this fall for six weeks. I have been incredibly fortunate in how well I've responded to the treatments and have been able to continue most of my teaching and performing schedule as usual! Today is the first day back for the choir at the National Shrine and this Sunday will be our first of our new season. Your prayers, cards, gifts, and love have been such a strengthening support throughout all of this and I am so grateful to all of you! Thank you so much for keeping me in your hearts. I am so blessed to have such an amazing community by my side! With love, Molly"

**Funeral Service for Jean Hillman:** The funeral service for Susan Hillman's mother, Jean, is scheduled for October 21, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Memorial Presbyterian Church.

**The Peace & Global Witness Offering:** "So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near." Ephesians 2:14-17. The letter to the Ephesians tells us that Jesus came to proclaim a universal peace. As followers of Christ, our call to work for peace begins in our own neighborhoods and extends to the ends of the earth. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the offering stays here at Chapel Lane enabling us to provide support where we need it the most. This offering sustains our witness in many forms and at all levels of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), but all are bound together. This offering will be dedicated on World Communion Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. More information will be found in the inserts in the Sunday bulletins. Envelopes for your donations can be found in the pew racks. Thank you for your gifts. The Board of Deacons.

**Midland County Habitat for Humanity Award:** The Midland County chapter of Habitat for Humanity has chosen Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church as their 2017 Faith Partner of the Year in recognition of our commitment and support of MCHFH's mission of bringing people together to build homes, community and hope.

The church will be presented with an award at MCHFH's "High Heels and Hard Hats Fundraising Gala" on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Midland Country Club from 5:30 to 10:00 p.m. This is quite an honor and Pastor Rhonda will be attending the event, along with her husband, Dave. But they would love to have others join them. Tickets for the dinner are \$50 each and can be purchased by calling the chapter office at 989-496-0900,

by emailing [Ireland@midlandhabitat.org](mailto:Ireland@midlandhabitat.org) or by online purchase at the MCHFH website: [www.midlandhabitate.org](http://www.midlandhabitate.org).

Please let Pastor Rhonda know if you will be attending and she will ask the coordinator to seat us all together.

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS – Today through Sep 24, 2017

**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Regional Scholarship:** This scholarship is available to any Great Lakes Bay Region high school senior, regardless of ethnicity, who actively embraces Dr. King's dream of social justice. The deadline for submission is October 31<sup>st</sup>. Applications are available online through the Saginaw Community Foundation (<http://www.saginawfoundation.org/site/scholarships/mlk/>).

### ***Participants in Today's Service***

<b>Pastor:</b>	Rev. Dr. Rhonda Myers
<b>Musicians (8:15):</b>	Aubrey Root and Doug Moe
<b>(10:00):</b>	Karen Graef and Dr. Tim Hendrickson
<b>Worship Leader(8:15):</b>	Bob McGee
<b>(10:00):</b>	Wayne Stover
<b>Ushers (8:15):</b>	Alice Wiltse
<b>(10:00):</b>	Marian and Eldon Ault, Kerry and Kelly Buell
<b>Nursery:</b>	Renee White, Jennifer Hahn, Sarah Hahn
<b>Ministers:</b>	<b><i>All the members of Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church</i></b>

### **Our Mission Statement**

***Celebrating our diversity of gifts, we seek to serve Christ by serving others with grace, love and laughter.***

### ***Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church***

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### **Did you know?**

Did you know that the church has subscriptions to a variety of PC(USA) and other Christian publications, which can be found in the church library and borrowed for your reading pleasure?

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