



# WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CHAPEL LANE!

*“Growing a Faith That Must Be Shared”*

Nov. 26, 2017

Christ the King Sunday

10:00 AM

**Guest Preacher: Bonnie Rapson**

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

\* Please stand, if you are able

## Prelude Music

## Welcome and Announcements

Welcome, friends. We're so glad you came to join us in our worship of God today. We hope you'll feel the Spirit's love surround you and that you'll leave this place feeling refreshed and renewed. You are very welcome here, and we hope you'll come again and join us in worship, study and fellowship as we strive to make some very special friends. *(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and use the prayer request cards for your joys/concerns.)*

## Introit & Lighting of the Christ Candle

### Call to Worship

*(Based on Psalm 100 NCV)*

Shout to the LORD, all the earth.

**Serve the LORD with joy; come before him with singing.**

Know that the LORD is God. He made us, and we belong to him;

**We are his people, the sheep the Lord tends.**

Come into his city with songs of thanksgiving and into his courtyards with songs of praise.

**Thank him and praise his name. For the LORD is good. His love is unceasing.**

## Gathering Prayer

### \* Gathering Song

*“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”*

#267

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

**Sovereign God, we confess that we are not ready for your holy realm. You guide us toward right paths, but we refuse to follow where you lead. You love and feed and care for us, but we fail to love and serve others. Forgive us,**

**merciful God, so that we may return to your fold and rejoice in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Lamb upon the throne. 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

*“Our God is an Awesome God”*

#616

*Our God is an awesome God who reigns from heaven above with wisdom, power and love, our God is an awesome God!*

### \*Sharing the Peace of Christ

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## WE OPEN OUR HEARTS TO GOD'S WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

#### First Lesson

**Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**

**NRSV pg. 788**

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

#### Second Lesson

**Ephesians 1:15-23**

**NRSV pg. 1064**

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

### Children's Sermon

### Sermon

**“It Should Be Easy To Be a Sheep, But...”**

## WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH JOY

### \* Song of Response

*“Crown Him with Many Crowns”*

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### \*Affirmation of Faith

The Reign of Christ comes not by conquest, domination and manipulation, but by gracious love, gladly given and willingly received. The reign of Christ comes near wherever people covenant together and say:

**Christ, we are your body: live in our hearts.**

**Christ, we are your people: govern our lives.**

**Christ, we are your witnesses: send us out in your name!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF Nov 26, 2017

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### 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**                    “*We Give Thee But Thine Own*”                    #708  
  *We give Thee but Thine Own, whate'er the gift may be;*  
  *All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.*

### \* Prayer of Dedication of our Offerings

**WE GO OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

- \* **Sending Song**                            “*Lead On, O King Eternal!*”                    #269
- \* **Charge and Benediction**
- \* **Benediction Response**                    “*Christ Be Beside Me*”                    #702 (vs. 1)  
  *Christ be beside me; Christ be before me; Christ be behind me, King of my heart.*  
  *Christ be within me; Christ be below me; Christ be above me never to part.*
- \* **Postlude**                                    “*Crown Him with Many Crowns*”                    M. Burkhardt

**OUR WORSHIP IS ENDED, OUR SERVICE BEGINS!**

### Questions for Reflection

How would it change you to see the face of Christ in every stranger you meet?  
What does it mean to give thanks and to pray unceasingly?

### Did you know?

Did you know that Christ the King Sunday is the last Sunday of the church year and the climax and conclusion of the Church's liturgical journey through the life of Christ and the Gospel message. It celebrates the coming reign of Christ as King of the Earth and his completion of the renewed creation that marks the fullness of the Kingdom of God. It also provides an appropriate bridge to the new church year that begins on the first Sunday of Advent with an emphasis on hope and expectation, the longing for the coming of the Kingdom of God amid the darkness of a sinful world.

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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 Dec 10, 2017

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**Flowers:** The flowers today are given by Shirley McCutchen in celebration of a blessed Thanksgiving.

**Guest Preacher:** Bonnie Rapson, Commissioned Ruling Elder Candidate, was born in Lansing and raised in the Ypsilanti area. She married a boy from Harbor Beach and moved to the Thumb. They have a daughter and son, both married and who, between the two families, have blessed them with 7 grandchildren, ranging from 2 to 12. Bonnie has been serving in the church in some manner since she was a child, starting in the youth

choir. She now serves on session at Kinde First Presbyterian and when the opportunity came to participate in the CRE program she was eager to do so. It was an opportunity to continue the training she had begun when her family was a member of the United Protestant Church in Port Austin. Bonnie sings with an ecumenical group called “All For Hymn” who has been together 22 years. One of the things she and her husband enjoy is camping. They attend church camps as a family including the grandchildren.

**The December Chapel Chimes** is now available in your mail folders. Please pick it up on your way in or out of service today to avoid using postage to mail it to you.

**Followers In the Spirit Here:** Music, lessons, fellowship and more. Wednesdays from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Pre-kindergarten to Senior High. **NOTE: No FISH this week.**

**Fall Contemporary Issues Class:** No class today.

**Lectionary-Based Class:** Following today’s class, the Lectionary-based class will not meet again until Sunday, January 7, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the library.

**The Thursday Afternoon Bible Study:** No class this week. Starting November 30, we will study the story of Joseph, Jesus’ earthly father. Books are \$13 and are available from Pastor Rhonda on a first come/first served basis.

**Presbyterian Women Luncheon:** We will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> at Shirlene’s at 11:30 a.m. Sign up Sunday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>. There is a sign-up sheet on the PW bulletin board in the foyer. Hope to see you all there. Call Alice Wiltse, 631-7271, or email, [wiltsealice1934@charter.net](mailto:wiltsealice1934@charter.net) if you have any questions.

**The Monday Evening Circle** will meet Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Carol Rowe, 2200 Oakfield Dr. Carol’s condo association has requested that we all park on one side of the street. We will be studying lesson 4 of our study guide. Please call Carol at 486-8329 if you have questions. Everyone is welcome.

**Fun in Faith** will meet at church on Friday, Dec. 8 at 6:00 p.m. for our Christmas Party. Please bring a wrapped \$5.00 gift for each person attending. The meat, potatoes and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to share – vegetable, salad or dessert. There will be a poster in the foyer for you to sign up. Any questions, please contact Nona Willing or Erlene Carmody. We always have a fun time.

**The Congregational Care Star** gifts and gift cards need to be returned to the church by December 10<sup>th</sup>. Please place gifts in a gift bag unwrapped with the star attached. Return them to the church office. The gift card with the star attached may be placed in the red

box in the kiosk in the foyer. If you have any question, please call Alice Wiltse, 631-7271.

**The Peace and Global Witness Offering’s** final total is \$909.00. Chapel Lane retained 25% of this total. We will be using this money for the Pastor’s Emergency Fund. The PEF helps people of our community with such items as rent, utilities and small prescription costs. The Board of Deacons thanks you for your donations.

**Christmas Poinsettias:** Orders are now being taken for Christmas Poinsettias. Order forms, with instructions, can be found in the worship guide. If there are any questions, please contact Renee White at 692-2059.

**Advent Devotionals:** Our 2017 Advent Devotionals are in and you have two from which to choose. One is entitled “Watch,” published by the Stillspeaking Writers Group, based upon Mark 13:35, “Watch, pay attention, stay wide awake, for the hour is coming...” The other is published by *Presbyterians Today* and is entitled “Let Love Speak.” We suggest a donation of \$4 for either of these devotionals. But hope, most of all, that you will take one home and use it for your daily devotions this Advent. Consider bringing one to a friend or loved one, too. Let us hope in God, watch for the signs of Christ’s coming light, and let love speak through our words and actions this Advent.

#### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS – Today through Dec 10, 2017**

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**Holiday Book Sale** at Grace A. Dow Memorial Library on Saturday, December 9, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All books are in new or “gently used” condition. Every item will be just 50 cents!

**Saturday, December 2, at 4:00 PM:** Classical Bells, “Michigan’s Premier Handbell Ensemble,” will perform a Christmas show at St. John’s Episcopal Church, 405 N. Saginaw Rd., Midland. Led by artistic director Darlene Ebersole, Classical Bells has performed in concerts nationwide and has been featured with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the Michigan Opera Theater. Light refreshments after the concert. Open to the public; suggested donation of \$10.

**Boar’s Head Christmas Festival Performances** at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 808 Weiss, Saginaw, are on November 30 and December 2 at 7:30 p.m. and December 3 at 4 p.m. Freewill offering. Handicap parking available. For more information, contact [www.BethlehemSaginaw.org](http://www.BethlehemSaginaw.org).

**Free Legal Advice** is available to individuals impacted by the June flooding of this year. Michigan Young Lawyers may be contacted at 1-800-418-8315 on Monday Through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Volunteers** are needed at MidMichigan Hospice. We have many volunteer opportunities to choose from: patient care, administrative/projects, one-time events, and spiritual care. Please contact Cindy Lutz, volunteer coordinator at 989-633-1467 or email, [cindy.lutz@midmichigan.org](mailto:cindy.lutz@midmichigan.org).

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

<b>Guest Preacher:</b>	Bonnie Rapson, Commissioned Ruling Elder Candidate
<b>Musicians:</b>	Karen Graef, Dr. Tim Hendrickson
<b>Worship Leader:</b>	Dave Willing
<b>Ushers:</b>	Nancy & Carl Vander Woude, Judy & Butch Brauer
<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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