



WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CHAPEL LANE!

“Growing a Faith That Must Be Shared”

June 3, 2018

Teacher Appreciation Sunday

10:00 AM

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.)*

Interlude Music and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

(Excerpts from Psalm 84)

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of host!

My soul longs, indeed it faints, for the courts of the Lord;

My heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young.

Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.

O Lord of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

Gathering Prayer

* Gathering Song

“Morning Has Broken”

#664

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O Christ, if we carry the name Christian, we are signs of your presence. Yet we confess that we sometimes neglect your children through our own self-absorption and we hurt people through our pride, rather than offering welcome to those who come seeking your Son. Forgive us, Lord, when we are

unable to be signs of joy or hope or good news. Give us the grace to be earthly reminders of your holy and eternal love. 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

“Glory Be to the Father”

#581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen. Amen.

* 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

Genesis 18:1-8

NRSV, page 13

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

Second Lesson

Matthew 25:34-40

NRSV, page 904

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

Sermon

“Think Like a Host”

Sermon Series: *The Welcoming Congregation* by Henry G. Brinton

WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH JOY

* Song of Response

“When the Lord Redeems the Very Least”

#852

*Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God, the Creator Spirit, who moved upon the face of the deep at the beginning of creation, who created all that is, and who spoke through the prophets of old.

We believe in Jesus Christ, into whom God's Spirit was poured in fullness and in power, that the whole creation might be restored and unified; and who promised that the Spirit would come and fill the faithful with power to witness to the mighty love of God.

We wait on that Spirit today with longing hearts, seeking to be empowered to witness to God’s love in Christ, with fresh words and courageous actions of love and hope.

Glory be to God—Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit—now and always. Amen.

Teacher Recognition

These generous givers of time and talent were called by God through the voice of the church to give particular service as teachers and youth leaders.

We remember with joy our common calling to serve Christ.

We celebrate God’s call to all who minister among us.

We recognize, with joy and thanksgiving, the vital service and commitment of our educators and youth workers this morning; and we celebrate, with them, the accomplishments of the past year!

Offering of our Gifts

Offertory **“When We Are Living”** #822
Soloist: Dave Willing

* **Offertory Response** **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”** #606
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* **Prayer of Dedication of our Offerings**

WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

* **Communion Song** **“The Church of Christ in Every Age”** #320

The Communion of the People of God

The Invitation to the Lord’s Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

The Words of Institution

The Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

The Communion of the People of God

The Prayer After Communion

WE GO OUT AS GOD’S PEOPLE

* **Sending Song** **“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”** #298

* **Charge and Benediction**

* **Benediction Response** **“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks”** #240 (*Refrain*)
*Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.*

* **Postlude**

OUR WORSHIP IS ENDED, OUR SERVICE BEGINS!

Questions for Reflection

In your own church involvement, do you think of yourself as a host?

When have you acted as a host and experienced a holy moment?

Did you know?

Did you know that it takes over 20 volunteers, parents and staff to lead our Christian Education program? Today, we give thanks to God for our teachers, youth leaders, adult leaders and support staff in fulfilling the many aspects of this important ministry of faith development, spiritual nurture, uniting fellowship, and a passion for biblical wisdom.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF June 3, 2018

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 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 6th 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. Did you miss last week's announcements? They may be viewed at "Worship /bulletin" at www.chapellane.org.

CHAPEL LANE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Today through June 17, 2018

Flowers: Today's flowers are given by Shirley McCutchen to the glory of God.

Upcoming Presbytery Meeting: The Presbytery of Lake Huron is meeting on Tuesday, June 5th at the First Presbyterian Church, 433 N. Calhoun Street, Lapeer 48446. Materials for the meeting are available online at the presbytery website: www.presbylh.org and The

Rev. Dr. Lisa McIlvenna of the Fresh Aire Samaritan Counseling Center will lead the equipping session for the day.

Taize Service: Our last Taize service for the 2017-2018 program year will be this Wednesday, June 6th, 7 p.m. in the Activity Room. Communion will be served during this candlelit service of prayer and meditation.

Graduation Sunday: We will celebrate our graduates in worship on June 10th. If you have a family member graduating this spring, please let the church office know their name, school and degree achieved. You can contact the Office Administrator by Thursday, June 7th, at office@chapellane.org.

Chapel Lane seeks part-time Director of Christian Education for Children Youth and Adults: Chapel Lane is seeking an enthusiastic, high energy Director of Christian Education who will develop and lead effective programs for all ages. Ideally the new DCE will begin employment in July. The role requires an average of 18 hours per week during September – May. Summer hours are more flexible. Compensation will reflect experience and education with a annual compensation ranging from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

Lifetouch photos: If anyone has not received their free 8 X 10 photograph from Lifetouch, call Nancy Frederixon at 631-3084 and let her know.

Mobile Food Pantry Update: The Mobile Food Pantry (MFP) held on May 24, 2018, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Midland served 201 families (578 individuals) who live in Midland County. 76 volunteers served 16,673 pounds of frozen pizza, potatoes, peppers, tomatoes, canned and boxed foods, beverages, and bakery items purchased from the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan with a donation from the congregation of Trinity. (Unfortunately, frozen meat was unavailable at the Food Bank when our truck was loaded for the event.) After the food distribution, the volunteer workers were treated to a lunch of sandwiches, watermelon, cookies, and beverages in the air conditioned fellowship hall of the church. Thanks to the five Chapel Lane workers for their help! The next MFP will be at St. John's Lutheran Church on Carpenter Street in Midland on Thursday, June 21. Volunteers are needed and appreciated. Questions? Please call Sally Ann Sutton.

Board of Deacons

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS – Today through June 17, 2018

Riding for Multiple Sclerosis! Ed Rightor will participate in the Bike MS ride June 9-10. This ride in Holland, MI for multiple sclerosis will involve riding over 150 miles. You can join the fundraising campaign by signing up as a sponsor at the Fundraising Table. There are over 18,000 people in Michigan with MS including over 260 in the Saginaw Valley. Funds raised help provide local, state, and national support and research

for a cure. Matching funds have provided additional direct assistance including help with utilities and transportation. Progress, including development of the first treatment for pediatric MS this year, has been rapid in the past couple of years. Thanks for all you terrific support!

Hospice Volunteer Training: MidMichigan Home Care, 3007 N. Saginaw Road in Midland on Tuesday, June 12 10 a.m.-3:30p.m. and Wednesday, June 13 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Volunteer trainees must attend both sessions. Those who are interested in becoming a hospice volunteer may apply at www.midmichigan.org/careers. For additional information, call Cindy Lutz at 989-633-1467 or email Cindy.Lutz@midmichigan.org.

Summer 2018 Activity Guide: With a grant from the MI Dept. of Education and the Great Start Parent Coalition, the Midland County Family Activity Guide Summer 2018 has been published. Copies of the guide can be found in the Children and Youth section of the kiosk. The guide includes a full page of Free & Low Cost Community Events.

Invitation: South Hebron-The struggle for human rights in the Holy Land: On Sunday, June 17th from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Creative 360, 1517 Bayliss in Midland. Originally from Gladwin, Michigan, Cody O'Rourke has been working in Israel-Palestine since 2005. He has worked for the Israeli Committee Against Home Demolitions, the Christian Peacemaker Teams, Defense for Children International and Holy Land Trust. Come join us as he talks about the impact of the conflict on the Palestinian communities in the South Hebron Hills, how being the father of an Israeli Jew has informed and shaped his understanding of the conflict, and practical ways you can be involved. This event is sponsored by the Islamic Center of Midland, Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church and Reaching Out for Justice and Peace Work Group of Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Participants in Today's Service

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Rhonda Myers
Musicians:	Nona Willing Soloist: Dave Willing
Worship Leader:	Erica Clark
Ushers:	
Nursery:	Renee White and Jennifer Hahn
Ministers:	<i>All the members of Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church</i>

Our Mission Statement

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

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