



WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CHAPEL LANE!

“Growing a Faith That Must Be Shared”

June 17, 2018

Father’s Day

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

Give thanks to the Lord for God is good.

God’s steadfast love endures forever.

The kingdom of God is like a tiny mustard seed;

It grows into a great plant with many branches.

Come, let us worship God.

Gathering Prayer

* Gathering Song

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

#611

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God of Grace, we confess that sometimes we are unsure of our faith. We are weighed down with doubt and guilt, and do not have the courage to trust in you. Fill our hearts with the assurance of your love, and renew our courage through your Holy Spirit, that we may serve you with joyful abandon. 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

Isaiah 56:1-7

NRSV, page 672

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

Second Lesson

Matthew 10:40-42

NRSV, page 887

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

Children’s Sermon

The Bucket Brigade

Sermon

“Don’t Curb Your Enthusiasm”

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

WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH JOY

* Song of Response

“Draw the Welcome Circle Wider”

See Insert

* Affirmation of Faith for Father’s Day

We believe that God, like any good father, brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry. We believe that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind. We believe that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows, and blocks the path of the ungodly. We believe that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. We believe that the church, as the possession of God, must stand where the Lord stands, namely against injustice and with the wronged. We believe that, in following Christ, the

church must witness against all the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interest and thus control and harm others. Amen.

A Father's Day Prayer, Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

We give our thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives.

Fatherhood does not come with a manual, but it does come with blessings of love and joy.

This Father's Day, we remember the many sacrifices fathers make for children and families.

And we remember the ways—both large and small—that fathers lift their children to achieve dreams they thought beyond their reach.

We remember all those who have helped fill the void when fathers pass early or are absent for any reason—grandfathers and uncles, brothers and cousins, teachers and coaches, pastors and youth leaders.

For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility in the face of the task of parenting.

Give them the strength to do well by their children and by You.

Lord, bless all earthly fathers today and every day, we pray.

(Prayer over Joys and Concerns)

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 *"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 GO OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Introduction and Commissioning of Camp Counselors

In John 12:26, Jesus teaches: "Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. May Father will honor the one who serves me. Counselors, will you become the physical hands and feet of Christ manifesting and multiplying God's loving presence and provision on earth? Will you?

We will.

Christian service is action springing from faith in response to God's captivating love. As you serve in mission on behalf of the youth of this church, will you follow Christ's example of service, courage and love? Will you?

We will. We intend our faith to become action as we respond to God's call to serve others. With a courageous faith, we hope that, through our actions and service, lives may be impacted—both the lives of those we will serve and our own lives, too. We pray that God will use us to spread love to the children and youth we will serve. And we hope we can count on the prayers of this congregation to support us during our time at Camp.

Congregants, before us today are servants of the Lord who are choosing to act on their faith through their service. Will you support them on this journey with your purposeful prayers and lively affirmation? Will you?

We will. And we are reminded of our own call to serve God and our neighbor, with enthusiasm and hope for the future.

Let us pray: Gracious God, send your Spirit upon these, your precious servants. Fill them with your love so that they might show love to those whom they will serve. Equip them with a tenacious drive to do Your will and manifest, through their service, Your love for creation. Fill them with an immutable call to serve in Your name. Gift them with protection and peace as they endeavor to serve others. Through Jesus Christ, our Savior, we pray these things. Amen. Friends, join me in offering a blessing upon our camp counselors and upon the children and youth they will serve:

Go forth in the name of Jesus Christ. Play safe. Be kind and generous hosts to one another, loving each other genuinely and with enthusiasm, and serving as beacons of Christ's light and a sign of hope to all your guests. Amen.

* Sending Song *"Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"* #169

* 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

If it's true that enthusiasm is "viral" and that, by showing your enthusiasm, others will catch it too, then what should you be prepared to explain to guests about what makes Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church special?

Did you know?

Did you know that Father's Day is celebrated on variety of dates across the world?

Previously this festival was confined to pay gratitude to our fathers only; but, nowadays, people also offer their gratitude to their stepfather, grandfather, father-in-law, uncles or any other man who is as protective and caring as a father.
Happy Father's Day!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF June 17, 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 July 1, 2018

Summer Camp 2018: Our children and youth are off today to Camp Sancta Maria for a week of fun, fellowship and spiritual growth. Please keep them in your prayers each day. And join us next Sunday for Camp Sunday!

Chapel Lane's Summer Picnic is next Sunday, June 24: It will follow the 10 am worship service. **Hamburgers, hot dogs and lots of delicious sides. There is a need for**

helpers, too, so take a look and sign-up! Please sign-up on the poster in the fellowship area so we have an idea of how many hot dogs and hamburgers to put on the grill. Your salads or desserts or other picnic type food you care to bring will make for a delicious meal.

Lost and Found: Please check the table in the foyer for items you may be missing. Any items left after June 24th will be donated.

General Assembly Biennial Meeting: The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) will meet from June 16th to the 23rd in St. Louis, Missouri. Please keep the Assembly members in your prayers. Topics to be covered include: GA Procedures, Church Polity, Environmental Issues, Mission Coordination, Social Justice Issues, Middle East Issues and Theological and Church Growth Issues.

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.

Mobile Food Pantry: The fifth Mobile Food Pantry (MFP) of this year will be held at the St. John's Lutheran Church, located on Carpenter Street in Midland, on Thursday, June 21. Registration at the church will begin at 9:00 a.m. This is a program of the Midland County Emergency Food Pantry Network (EFPN). Board of Deacons

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS – Today through July 1, 2018

Invitation: South Hebron-The struggle for human rights in the Holy Land: Today 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: Linda Langrill
Worship Leader: Ron Hynds
Ushers: Mike and Cathy Starch, Alice Wiltse, Carol Rowe
Nursery: Renee White and Jennifer Hahn
Ministers: *All the members of Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church*

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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