



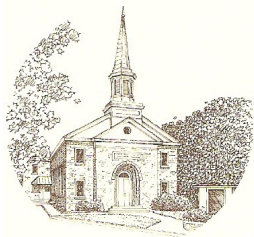
The Chapel Chimes

"Holding forth the Word Life" - Philippians 2:16

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HOMECOMING



Because of the COVID-19 virus, we will not have our annual Homecoming Service and Dinner on the Grounds this year. The Session believes that with the inconvenience of wearing of masks and social distancing that this would make Homecoming cumbersome and problematic. It was decided that we would have Homecoming in June of 2021, (which is closer to the actual date of our becoming a particular church), provided that the COVID-19 virus is less intrusive on society. We will continue to keep you updated in future *Chimes* editions.

CHURCH EVENTS FOR 2020

Because of the COVID-19 virus, all church events have been suspended for the year *at this time*. This includes Sunday Evening services and Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting. The Session and Deacons are working together to monitor any changes which will allow us to return sooner.

However, **PLEASE NOTE:** If you are part of a church group, e.g. WIM Circle, Activities Committee, etc., and you would like to meet at the church in the Fellowship Hall, you will need to contact Deacon, Walter Hartley so that he will know that a meeting is taking place. Please note also, that we have suspended our cleaning services at this time and you will be responsible for wiping off tables with a disinfectant and taking out your own trash.

REMINDER OF LIVESTREAM SERVICES

Don't forget that our Sunday morning and Wednesday night services are being *Livestreamed!* Sunday mornings will begin at 10:20 a.m. with a 10-minute musical interlude of organ music and the worship service at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday night is *Livestreamed* from the Manse and Rev. Russell is currently doing a series on *Current Issues from a Calvary Perspective - Putting or Biblical World and Life View into Practice*. We have looked at current subjects such as, The Black Lives Matters Movement, Who is Antifa, Marxism, What is the Cancel Culture, What is Critical Race Theory, and so on. This begins at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays until 6:30-35. Please join us for both of these times of learning and worship.

Pastor: Rev. Daren L. Russell

Secretary: Raina Martin

SUNDAY EVENING ZOOM MEETING

While some of you are learning about the current technology such as *Livestreaming* for our services (and these have really been around for years) I want you to try another one: **Zoom Meeting**. Zoom is a meeting app that you can download on your Smart phone, iPad, (or similar devise), or computer. The app works by you *joining a meeting* and it allows you to see others and talk with one another for a meeting. The main requirement is that you have a devise with a camera on it so that others will be able to see you. Rev. Russell would like to try a Zoom Meeting one Sunday evening so that we can “check in” with each other. We will have this meeting on September 13th, at 6:00 p.m. More instructions will be given on how to “Join Meeting” before that time. In the meantime, download the app or look on line for “Zoom Meeting” to get more information.

Newsletter
DEADLINE

The deadline for announcements for the October issue of *The Chapel Chimes* is Tuesday, September 15th, at 12:00 noon.

OFFICE NEWS

The church office will be closed Monday, September 7th, in observance of Labor Day.

VIDEO EQUIPMENT

We are currently looking into the purchase of video equipment to continue *Livestreaming* the Sunday morning worship services on our FaceBook page. The cost of this equipment is around \$7,000. This includes a camera, adaptor equipment, a dedicated laptop to run the camera, controller, and complete installation. We recognize that this is a lot of money for equipment to be used to Livestream our morning worship service. For this reason, we are requesting donations for this project. If we receive the necessary amount in the allotted time frame then we will purchase the equipment. If not, then with the givers' permission, the funds will be set aside for future projects. We will receive gifts for this project until October 31, 2020. Prayerfully consider giving toward this project. If you have any questions about this project, please contact Deacon Walter Hartley.

GUIDELINES FOR RETURNING TO CHURCH

The Session has opened up the church for those who would like to attend Sunday morning worship services. Here are the current guidelines that we are asking you to follow for returning to church:

- One entrance in and one out: We are only using the entrance by the church office for coming in and leaving.
- Masks: Masks must be worn when coming into the church and when leaving the church. You may take your mask off during the service, but your mask must be worn if you sing the hymns.
- Proper distancing: Please observe proper distancing (6 feet). We are sitting every other pew and they have been taped off for your convenience.
- Hand sanitizer: Hand sanitizer is available for you to use when you come into the building and when you leave the building.
- Please use *sanctified common sense* around one another! What may be comfortable to you may be uncomfortable to someone else (such as hugging or handshaking; wearing or not wearing masks) We do not need to be terrified of each other but we also need to respect one another's boundaries and concerns.

There will be updates as things change. Please remember, *Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.* Philippians 2:3

THANK YOU!!

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the gift, food, flowers, and your presence at the celebration of my 90th Birthday.

God Bless,
Lee Harris

Dear Church Family,

During a time like this we learn how much our friends and relatives really mean to us. Your expression of sympathy will always be treasured. Thank you for the lovely flowers.

Love,
The Hartley Family



- **Our Nation**
 - Unity
 - Charity
 - Protection
- **Our Leaders**
 - Federal
 - State
 - Local
- **Our First Responders**
 - Police
 - Fire
 - EMT
- **Our Churches**
 - True Preaching of the Gospel
 - True Witness of the Gospel
 - True Faithfulness to the Gospel
- **Our Military**
 - Foreign
 - Domestic
 - In Harms Way

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Our Mission

*To be
Kingdom Focused,
Gospel Driven
and Christ Centered
in all that we do.*

Our Vision

"Our Vision is to reach out to Garden City and the surrounding area with the Good News of Christ; to proclaim the inerrant and infallible Word of God through faithful preaching and teaching of the Reformed faith; to exalt Christ by authentic worship in word, sacrament, prayer and music in spirit and in truth; to glorify the Triune God in thought, word and deed through the practical application and living out our faith by stressing loving Christian fellowship and compassion to those in need; to support mission works in the United States and the world."

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES


September

Birthdays

- 1 Ed Ike
- 3 Kimberly O'Neal
- 15 Cathy Forehand
- 17 Jacob Lewis
- 18 Connor O'Neal
- 19 Jan Kelly
- 20 Patrick O'Neal
- 23 Joyce Johnson
- 26 DKay Alleman
Walter Hartley
- 30 Ainsley O'Neal
Zachary Russell

Anniversaries

- 13 Mr. & Mrs. Bowen Jones
- 22 Mr. & Mrs. Chris Hord
- 23 Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Rollis



Your
word
is a lamp
to guide my feet
and
a light
for my path.
Psalm 119:105