

March 2021

Dear Chapelites,

A warm day is like a shot in the arm - Sunday Schedule

Tuesday, while Leah and I waited for the bus, I enjoyed the warm weather. When I got back inside, the thermometer said it was 37 degrees. "Warm" is a relative term. Tuesday's temperature does not sound very warm, but when you compare it to Sunday morning when everyone's car reported minus degrees, it is a heat wave. The sunny, "warm" day lifted our spirits.

Dad and I enjoyed watching basketball together. If our team was playing poorly and a sub came off the bench and sparked a momentum shift and propelled the team to victory, dad would say, "He was a real shot in the arm." When friends would call and bring life and laughter to a routine day, dad would call them "a shot in the arm." Sinking a long putt, completing a home improvement project, and an encouraging sermon were all "shots in the arm." According to the online dictionary, "a shot in the arm" is "an encouraging stimulus." A warm, sunny day is a real "shot in the arm".

Last March, the pandemic shutdown began. We missed sharing important personal events with family and friends. Loved ones have passed, and it was difficult to share grief when we could not be together. It is difficult to smile at someone with a mask on. Interpersonal communication is hindered with loved ones and strangers. When will it be safe to resume the activities that we all love? Will the new normal be like the old normal we miss? In church, we miss persons when they are not comfortable gathering with us. While it is good for us to remain physically distanced, but how much longer will we be socially distanced?

Nationally and state-wide, Covid related deaths and hospitalizations are down and vaccinations are up, and these trends bring hope. We have learned new phrases, like "herd immunity", and it is estimated we will reach that sometime between April and December. While no one can know a date, each day is one day closer to our return to normal life. A hopeful, truthful news story is "a real shot in the arm."

When they began to develop vaccines, I wanted one. I would have been a guinea pig for the trials, but I could not figure out how to volunteer. When the vaccines rolled out in December, it felt like hope was coming. Monday, I was ecstatic when we were able to schedule appointments. Tuesday, Sherry and I were vaccinated, and that was "a real shot in the arm."

After a long, cold spell, I enjoy a sunny day that feels relatively warm, but March weather is a fickle thing on which to hang your hope. I appreciate good news, vaccinations, and herd immunity, but while I trust the science, I am not sure which scientists to trust.

There is one who is always trustworthy. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths." (Proverbs 3:5-6—ESV) I put my trust in God.

Every Sunday, I pray that our worship will praise and glorify Jesus and that our time together will be a spiritual "shot in the arm".

Pray for one another. Pray for healing for those who are ill or hurting. Pray for this virus to end.

See you Sunday!



Pastor Brad

Last Sunday

Message: "Living into the Vision" - "The Narrow Gate" - Matthew 7:13-14

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y2pazTuSIYQ>

Next Sunday

Message: "Living into the Vision" - "A Tree and its Fruit" - Matthew 7:15-20

<https://www.youtube.com/c/LibertyChapelLC>

Sunday Schedule

Option 1: Drive-in/Outside Worship. (8:15 am) - Come to the parking lot, and tune to FM 90.5.

Option 2: Inside Worship. (10:30 am) - Please observe physically distant seating and wear face coverings.

Option 3: Worship online. The service is live streamed at 10:30 am. You can watch it live or later. Liberty Chapel's YouTube channel is <https://www.youtube.com/c/libertychapelc>

Sunday School: (9:15)

- February 24, 2021



YF: Youth News You Can Use!

March 2021:

We made a few changes for the rest of the Spring Semester. Jr. & Sr. High students have combined groups during Wednesday Night programming and will be meeting 7:15-8:45pm. Each Wednesday night our students will be planning the Easter outdoor sunrise service. All of our students are excited for this opportunity.

YF youth group provides a fun refuge for teens where they are able to grow in their faith through community, and the light and love of Jesus is taught and experienced, encouraging students to live Christ mission out loud. Come be a part of something bigger than yourselves. Friends are always welcome.

YF FUNDRAISER:

It's that time of year to start collecting your loose change for the YF 2021 mission trip. Our water bottle fundraiser is happening now and please return them with your change by April 4th. Thank you for your continued support for our students at Liberty Chapel. If you have any questions ask any of our students or Pastor Phil.



Blessings,
Pastor Phil



Upcoming Happenings:

March 3rd/ 10th/ 17th/ 24th:

Regular Youth Group 7:15-8:45

March 31st: Holy Week Service/Youth Group

7:00 - 8:45

April 7th/ 14th/ 21st/ 28th:

Regular Youth Group 7:15-8:45



Easter Season Services

Holy Week Communion – Wednesday, March 31st at 7:00 pm

Good Friday Service at Shiloh – Friday, April 2nd at 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 4th – Outdoor Sunrise Service at 8:15 am

Sunday School at 9:15 am

Indoor Easter Service at 10:15 am

EASTER BIBLE READING PLAN

1. JESUS' TRIUMPHANT ENTRY

LUKE 19: 28-38

2. JESUS PREDICTS HIS DEATH

JOHN 12: 20-36

3. THE PLOT AGAINST JESUS

MATTHEW 26: 1-5

4. JUDAS AGREES TO BETRAY JESUS

LUKE 22: 1-6

5. THE LAST SUPPER

LUKE 22:7-20

6. JESUS WASHES THE DISCIPLE'S FEET

JOHN 13: 2-17

7. JESUS PREDICTS PETER'S DENIAL

MATTHEW 26: 31-35

8. GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE

MATTHEW 26:36-45

9. JESUS ARRESTED

MATTHEW 26: 47-56

10. PETER DISOWNS JESUS

LUKE 22: 54-62

11. JESUS BEFORE PILATE

MATTHEW 27: 11-26

12. SOLDIERS MOCK JESUS

MATTHEW 27: 27-31

13. THE CRUCIFIXION

LUKE 23: 26-43

14. JESUS' DEATH

LUKE 23: 44-49

15. BURIAL OF JESUS

MATTHEW 27:57-66

16. THE RESURRECTION

MATTHEW 28: 11-10

17. ROAD TO EMMAUS

LUKE 24: 13-35

18. JESUS APPEARS TO THE DISCIPLES

LUKE 24: 36-45

19. THE ASCENSION

LUKE 24: 50-53



Family and friends of Holly Niese (Friend of McBride's) – Holly passed away February 8th; Tom Wolf and family – Tom's mother passed away; Family and friends of Leo "Bud" Zenz – Leo passed away February 7th; Family and friends of Joann Hitt (Don Meter's sister) – JoAnn recently passed away; Members with COVID; Medical personnel and First responders.

Long-Term Needs: Pastor Phil – Possible back surgery; Connie Arps McDonald (Carolyn Arps' daughter) – Cancer; Tom Tedrow – Cancer; Judy Strayer – Health concerns; Russ Strayer – Health concerns; Carolyn Arps – Health concerns; Rebecca Livengood (Vicky Leatherman's mother) – Health concerns; Eric Gutierrez; Juanita Hoffman; Kent Spiess. Also, members of the military and their families, and our missionary families.

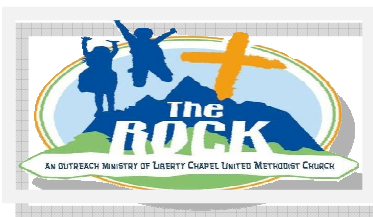


Please update your 2021 directory with the following address: Nick Griteman

281 Douglas Ave, Apt 18

Mascoutah, IL 62258

THE ROCK MINISTRY:



Unfortunately after opening back up for a couple days in 2021 our Rock Ministry team decided that "The Rock Snack Pack Ministry" has run its course and decided to stop the outreach and look into other options.

Our Rock Ministry team is asking for the prayer warriors of Liberty Chapel and the community to pray for the ministry, pray for the students, leaders, community, and property that we would be able to use "The Rock building" in 2021 and provide opportunities for God to be seen, known, and heard to those that are hurting, tired, and weary during these uncertain times.

We will be having an Easter party for the students on Thursday, March 25th from 3-4 pm. If you would like to help with this, please see Pastor Phil.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>March</div> <div>Birthdays and Anniversaries</div>						
<div>1</div> <div>  </div>	<div>2</div> <div>Jillian Clapp Don & Jeanne Meter</div>	<div>3</div> <div>Leah Orr Telly Ley</div>	<div>4</div> <div>Alex Starkey</div>	<div>5</div>	<div>6</div>	
<div>7</div> <div>Andrew Myers</div>	<div>8</div> <div>Staci Cramer</div>	<div>9</div> <div>Brittany Gillen</div>	<div>10</div> <div>  </div>	<div>11</div>	<div>12</div> <div>Ainsley Quigley Rita Bare Roger Saneholtz Ron Saneholtz</div>	<div>13</div> <div>Ethan Myers Caelyn Booth</div>
<div>14</div> <div>Sharon Stites Kristy Keller</div>	<div>15</div> <div>Bryce Trapp Eric Witte</div>	<div>16</div> <div>Lucas Estelle Byronna Bare</div>	<div>17</div> <div>Linda Vollmar</div>	<div>18</div> <div>Lilly McLaughlin</div>	<div>19</div> <div>Seth Oberhaus Bill Sharpe Grady Trapp Ron & Jeanette Saneholtz</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Maisie Masuwa</div>
<div>21</div>	<div>22</div> <div>Happy Anniversary!</div>	<div>23</div> <div>Kate Bare</div>	<div>24</div> <div>Carrie Quigley</div>	<div>25</div> <div>Kortney Mack Cory & Jessica Trapp</div>	<div>26</div> <div>Dan & Rita Bare</div>	<div>27</div> <div>Kent Spiess Dan Hogrefe</div>
<div>28</div>	<div>29</div> <div>Sherri Shafer</div>	<div>30</div> <div>Ethan Gutierrez</div>	<div>31</div> <div>Rebekah Orr</div>		<div>  </div>	<div>If you don't see your birthday or anniversary on the calendar, and you would like it to be on there, please let the office know!! Thanks.</div>



Sunday Worship Times: 8:15 a.m. Outside Worship
 10:30 a.m. Inside Worship
 Sunday School: 9:15 a.m. Classes for All Ages

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	6 pm Trustees 7 pm Ad Council	2 7 pm Security Team	3 6:30-7:30 pm WNM & Pastor Brad's Bible Study 7:15-8:45 pm Jr. & Sr. High YF	4	5 Office Closed	6 7 am Men's Prayer Time
7	8 6 pm UMM 8 pm Worship	9 7 pm SPRC	10 6:30-7:30 pm WNM & Pastor Brad's Bible Study 7:15-8:45 pm Jr. & Sr. High YF	11	12	13 7 am Men's Prayer Time
14	15 9-10 am Bountiful Blessings 6-7 pm Bountiful Blessings 7 pm Evangelism	16	17 6:30-7:30 pm WNM & Pas- tor Brad's Bible Study 7:15-8:45 pm Jr. & Sr. High YF	18	19	20 7 am Men's Prayer Time
21	22 6:30 pm Missions	23	24 6:30-7:30 pm WNM & Pastor Brad's Bible study 7:15-8:45 pm Jr. & Sr. High YF	25	26	27 7 am Men's Prayer Time
28	29	30	31 6:30-7:30 pm WNM 7:00 pm Holy Week Service 7-8:45 pm Jr. & Sr. High YF			

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SUNDAY WORSHIP HOURS – 8:15 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:15 A.M.

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*“A body knowing and growing in Christ so deeply that He is
overflowing to others.”*
Return Service Requested

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