

LAWRENCE CHAPEL CHATTER

Our Mission

Make Disciples for Jesus
Christ for the transformation
of the world.

Our Vision

Lawrence Chapel United
Methodist Church practices
the Love and Teachings of
Jesus.

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Church Office Hours

Mon-Tue-Thu
9:00am-1:00pm
Wed 9:00am-Noon

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Mon 10:30am-1:00pm
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We are back !!
In-Person -
Sundays
at 10:30am

I'm ecstatic that this year we can more safely gather in-person for Easter. After a year of constant reminders of sin and death, proclaiming the hope of the resurrection will be our subversive act! So what are we exactly claiming when we boldly proclaim, "Christ is risen!"? What implications does the resurrection of Jesus have now?

A common approach by the Western church has been to explain Jesus' death and resurrection as assurance that we can be saved and assured of eternal life with God in heaven. But this approach reduces the church's work to only saving souls for a future afterlife with no clear articulation of how the resurrection power of Jesus is at work here and now through the church. When God raised Jesus from the dead, God not only defeated the power of sin and death, God also provided resurrection power to His church, the body of Christ on earth, now, to participate in the heavenly kingdom work of Jesus. As we serve Jesus as Lord, we join in God's redemptive work on earth, because Jesus has begun God's kingdom on earth. As one source puts it, "God is freeing people from the grips of death, not so that they can go to heaven, but so that they can serve and be living witnesses to the life-giving power of God."

That brings me back to the mission of the church. As resurrection people, we are empowered by the Holy Spirit to serve as kingdom builders. When Jesus walked the earth, Jesus spent his time healing, feeding, forgiving--inviting people to live in a trusting, loving relationship with God and then with neighbor. Now with Jesus as our Lord, we are continuing Jesus' mission. One way we continue to

Sunday, April 11, we welcome our District Superintendent, Rev. Steve Patterson as our guest preacher! Let's be sure to fill the sanctuary and give him a big LCUMC welcome!

New Study beginning April 14th Wednesday Small Group with Pastor Mollie

Hope is about what lies ahead and is promised by a God who loves to bring hope to each one of us. It is also about the kingdom of God breaking into our present-day realities and hope spilling out into the world today.

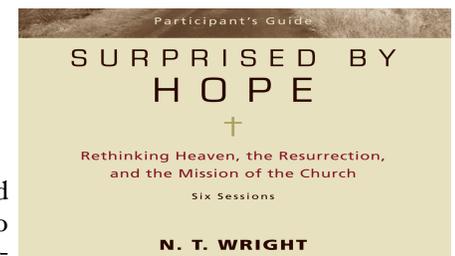
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A message from Pastor Mollie

participate in the kingdom work of Jesus is through our church food pantry ministry. We are building the kingdom on earth as it is in heaven by using our resources to physically feed the hungry, providing them hope. When we serve Christ as King, we tackle the issues that Jesus did, like issues of injustice. Jesus showed constant concern for the vulnerable. As Easter people, we are given new life in the Spirit to be Resurrection people! Living as Easter people can be fun and life-giving! I love seeing the creative ways that others have provided healthy food to the hungry. One hospital in Boston planted a rooftop garden that has more than 25 crops and produces around 6,000 pounds of fresh fruit and vegetables every year. The nutritious produce is fed not only to the hospital patients, but also 3,500 pounds of the produce is given to the Preventative Food Pantry, where many recipients of the food suffer from nutrition-related illnesses and conditions.

As we boldly proclaim the Easter truth this season, we are telling the world that Christ's resurrection power is in us! Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed! Thanks be to God!

See you on Easter! Pastor Mollie



Wednesdays at 6pm on Zoom

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Hi Lawrence Chapel family!

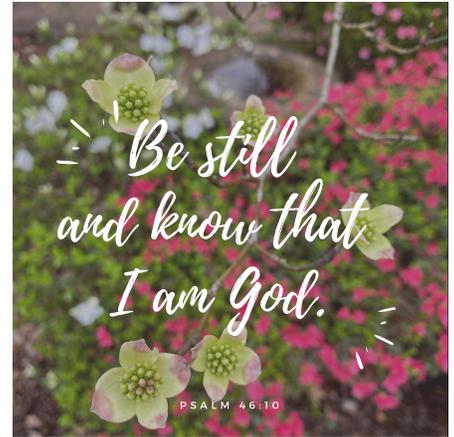
Because I have not been with you all, I wanted to give you an update on what I have been up to. Since January I have been continuing my internship at Saint Mark United Methodist Church in Seneca, SC. I have been able to get a holistic, big picture of the local church, seeing how they work together to be Christ's light and kingdom builders. Of course, I have had the opportunity to preach several times. Currently, I am leading a Lenten small group study with their associate pastor Rev. Shawna Darnall and helping Shawna with children's ministry. The love, welcome, and support they give me at Saint Mark reminds me of all of you. Such an opportunity to intern at Saint



Mark and learn more about ministry would not be possible without your encouragement and very presence in my life.

In the beginning of May, I will finish my internship at Saint Mark, and over the summer, I will be working at Asbury Hills in Cleveland, SC. Asbury Hills is a camp ministry of the South Carolina United Methodist Church. Pastor Mollie actually worked there one summer when she was in college, too! For their summer camp this year, I will be part of their leadership team serving as their female program coordinator. I will pour into camp counselors and love on them as they need me to, and I will deal with any campers who act too wild and crazy. I am so excited to serve at Asbury Hills, and it would also not be possible without your encouragement and very presence in my life. Thank you and see you soon!

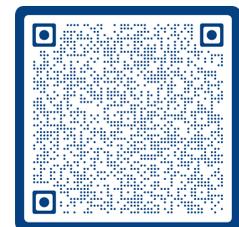
With much love,
Victoria Arnold



Our outdoor Stations of the Cross experience information packet designed for you to complete on your own anytime during Holy Week, will be emailed to you on Sunday, March 28th at noon. The packet contains the map and instructions for 8 locations across the Central area. Prayer prompts and instructions will also be at every station.



Support your ministry at Lawrence Chapel. Give today!



Monthly Teacher Appreciation Breakfast

Volunteers are needed to take breakfast to the staff at Six Mile Elementary School the second Monday each month. Contact Pastor Mollie for details and to volunteer!



The Outreach Committee sponsored this year's FCA snack collection for the FCA Charleston mission trip. The snacks were dropped off on March 11, 2021.

FCA had 225 college students attending the trip during spring break. They are being hosted by Copper Baptist Church.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><u>Sunday Worship</u> In-Person and Online worship at 10:30am on Facebook Live lawrencechapelumc Recorded later on Vimeo and YouTube.</p>	<p>Pastor Study Group Wednesdays at 6pm. ‘Surprised by Hope’ ...on Zoom APRIL 14th https://bit.ly/2M5J518</p>			<p>1 Devo with Stephen 8:30am Facebook</p>  <p>STATIONS of the CROSS</p>	<p>2 Good Friday</p>	<p>3 <i>Holy</i> SATURDAY</p> 
<p>4</p>  <p>EASTER SUNDAY</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 Devo with Pastor Mollie 8:30am Facebook Bible Study with Billy Griffin on Zoom at 9am</p>	<p>7</p>  <p>HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY</p>	<p>8 Devo with Stephen 8:30am Facebook</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11</p>  <p>11:30am in person and on Zoom</p>	<p>12 Teacher Appreciation Breakfast at Six Mile Elementary 7:30am</p>	<p>13 Devo with Pastor Mollie 8:30am Facebook Bible Study with Billy Griffin on Zoom at 9am</p>	<p>14</p> <p><i>Pastor Study Group at 6pm on Zoom</i></p>	<p>15 Devo with Stephen 8:30am Facebook</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Devo with Pastor Mollie 8:30am Facebook Bible Study with Billy Griffin on Zoom at 9am</p>	<p>21 <i>Pastor Study Group at 6pm on Zoom</i></p> 	<p>22 Devo with Stephen 8:30am Facebook</p>  <p>earth Day</p>	<p>23 MAY Newsletter articles are due today.</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>National Volunteer Week - Thanks for all you do !</p>						
<p>25</p>  <p>11:30am in person and on Zoom</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 Devo with Pastor Mollie 8:30am Facebook Bible Study with Billy Griffin on Zoom at 9am</p>	<p>28</p> <p><i>Pastor Study Group at 6pm on Zoom</i></p>	<p>29 Devo with Stephen 8:30am Facebook</p>	<p>30</p>  <p>Arbor Day</p>	 <p>APRIL 2021</p>

Lawrence Chapel UMC has taken another big step in its effort to wipe out hunger.

Lawrence Chapel **FOOD** pantry

Earlier this month, the church received a check for \$3,755 from Connectional Ministries, part of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. The award is in response to a grant proposal we submitted in hopes of expanding the food pantry, allowing it to offer a wider range of dry goods, produce, meat and dairy products.

With this grant, we are just \$300 short of our \$5,165 total necessary to erect a new structure with safety lighting and a refrigerator case. The congregation has been wonderfully supportive in this ministry to assist our friends and neighbors in the community. We're asking for your continued support. Here's how you can help:

- Join us in praising God for working through our congregation and other United Methodists in our conference to make the expansion possible. Please continue to lift up LCUMC's hunger initiative in your prayers as our efforts move forward.
- We're seeking additional donations to bring us to our goal of \$5,165, plus any additional funds as a contingency to cover possible increases in material and labor costs.
- Consider joining a small working group to oversee the expansion project. Most of the effort will focus on the logistics of the structure's location and construction. (No hammers required! The pros will handle construction and electrical aspects.)
- There's an ongoing need for food pantry donations and volunteers to shop for groceries and stock the shelves.

If you would like to contribute to the expansion or volunteer to help, please contact the church office.

--Lori Simpson on behalf of the Food Pantry Committee



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Ken Glenn, Treasurer
Maddie Sampson, Nursery
Stephen Singleton, Lay Leader

Reverend Steven Patterson, District Superintendent

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Password - PeaceBeWithYou!

The world marks **Earth Day** each April 22. All United Methodists are called to be good stewards of the planet. One of our Social Principles about the Natural World explains: "All creation is the Lord's, and we are responsible for the ways in which we use and abuse it. Water, air, soil, minerals, energy resources, plants, animal life, and space are to be valued and conserved because they are God's creation and not solely because they are useful to human beings."



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