

Elizabeth Chapel United Methodist Church

*"Where there is no vision the people perish."
(Proverbs 29:18)*

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Susan Lankford, Pastor

The Chapel Bell

April 2018



Race Week Schedule

Apr 12th Race week service – Chris Carrier will be the speaker, we are always thrilled to have Chris come and speak. 7:00pm
Apr 14th & 15th Help is needed with the race parking.
Apr 16th Church office will be closed

Maundy Thursday

Mar 29 @ 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Come and experience the Passover (Seder) meal much like Jesus and His disciples would have experienced it. The rituals will be explained as we taste the traditional Seder foods. Everyone is invited!

Good Friday Tenebrae Service

Mar 30 @ 6:30 pm – 7:15 pm

The Tenebrae is a solemn service in which we re-experience the arrest, trial, and crucifixion of our Lord, Jesus. This is a very moving service and due to the content is not recommended for children under the age of 10.

Easter Egg Hunt

Mar 31 @ 11:00 am – 1:30 pm

Bring your children to out Easter Eggtravaganza! Games! Crafts! Story Time! Each child will receive a treat bag and lunch is provided. Come one—Come all and share the fun.

Easter Sunrise Service

Apr 1 @ 7:00 am – 8:00 am

Watch the sunrise from the hill behind the church as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus on Easter morning. The brief service begins at 7:00 a.m.—the sun will rise at 7:15 a.m. Following the service we will serve breakfast in the fellowship hall. Everyone is welcome to participate in this special event.



Tri-Cities Region Will Graham Celebration

April 27 – 29, 2018 ~ Freedom Hall, Johnson City ~ Bring your lost friends & family!

Sunday, April 22: 1Prayer Gathering, 6:00 PM @ Freedom Hall

Friday, April 27: Celebration @ 7 PM with Moore Brothers Band, Aaron Shust & The Adoration Band

Saturday, April 28: KidzFest & The Greatest Journey, 9 AM - Noon

Saturday, April 28: Celebration @ 7 PM with April Taylor Barnes & Crowder

Sunday, April 29: Celebration @ 4 PM with Jennifer Trent, Ellie Holcomb & Aaron Shust

IT'S ALL FREE!

Will Graham will be preaching at each of the Celebrations (Crusades) and at KidzFest.

USHER BRIEFING/TRAINING: 7 P.M. - Tuesday, April 10 at Cornerstone Church, Johnson City & Thursday, April 12 at ISBC Hill Road Campus. Volunteers are needed! For more information, call the church office. Help spread the word!



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| 1 Forrest Ramsey | 17 Chase Watkins |
| 2 Heather Stopel | 18 George Weaver |
| 3 Bobby Jordan | Miki Brown |
| 4 Terry Bowers | Sheena Tinsley |
| 6 Chris Carrier | Ed Herbert |
| 7 Bruce Johnston | 19 Kim Gotch |
| 10 Carter Carrier | 21 Vickie Richardson |
| Caden Light | 22 Carole West |
| Dicky Edwards | Laura Pepper-Weiler |
| 11 Austin Looney | Tyler Seeley |
| 14 Chris Neal | Brayden Ramsey |
| 15 Eleanor Hess | 25 Raymond Baker |
| Emily Tester | Alexandria Waigle |
| 16 Benjy Phipps | 27 Pamela Carr |
| Jerry Watkins | 28 Averi Stevens |

Happy Anniversary

- April 14 Ronald & Betty Sams
 April 22 Jason & Sarah Jones
 April 28 Randall & PJ Cross



Jun 24 - Jun 29

Shipwrecked Rescued by Jesus

Elizabeth Chapel UMC Vacation Bible School.
 Dinner served at 5:45pm
 VBS 6:15 to 8:30pm

Venture onto an uncharted island where kids survive and thrive. Anchor kids in the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms.

Volunteers and Participants register at

vbspro.events/p/ecumc2018

Those Serving April

USHERS

- Apr 1 Tiffany Goforth, Rena Davis
 Randall Cross, Howard Fleenor
 Apr 8 Eleanor Hess, Sindy Ramsey
 Gary Conley, Bob Neal
 Apr 12 Denise Woods, Sue Porter
 Steve Wagner, David Woods
 Apr 22 Maria Wagner, Mary Beth Morrell
 Mike Galloway, Fred Poston
 Apr 29 Pam Large, Norma Pyle
 David Wade, CW Hatcher

WORSHIP LEADER

- Apr 1 Ron Ramsey
 Apr 8 Lesa Tester
 Apr 12 Steve Wagner
 Apr 22 Butch Jones
 Apr 29 Maria Wagner

CHILDREN'S TIME

- Apr 1 Ed Herbert
 Apr 8 Patty Earhart
 Apr 12 Joyce Jones
 Apr 22 Jane Wade & Allison Murray
 Apr 29 Maria Wagner

SECURITY

- Apr 1 Mike Cross, Davy Henson & Greg Harrison
 Apr 8 David Woods & Steve Wagner
 Apr 12 Bob Miller & Davy Henson
 Apr 22 Claude Jones & Bill Neal
 Apr 29 Butch Jones & Kenny Tinsley

NURSERY WORKERS

Infants

- Apr 1 Michelle Davis & Angie Lampkins
 Apr 8 Laurie Vacanti & Julie Almany
 Apr 12 Christine Ramsey & Eleanor Hess
 Apr 22 Madison Light & Pam Large
 Apr 29 Michelle Davis & Angie Lampkins

Two & toddlers

- Apr 1 Mary Lee Williams & Adam Stophel
 Apr 8 Denise & Abby Woods
 Apr 12 Patty Earhart & Lori Worley
 Apr 22 Kenny Tinsley & Claire Davis
 Apr 29 Sheena Tinsley

Early Elemertary

- Apr 1 Peggy Jones & Rylee Peters
 Apr 9 Carol Henson
 Apr 12 Tiffany Goforth & Sindy Ramsey
 Apr 22 Meghann & Forest Ramsey
 Apr 29 Sindy Ramsey & Tiffany Goforth

CALLING ALL KIDS



It's time to get our KidzChoir together! If you have kids in Pre-K through 6th grade who love to sing, this is a wonderful opportunity. The KidzChoir will sing at KidzFest on Saturday, April 28, during Celebration weekend. [Get a sneak peek of the songs.](#)

Please help us spread the word to all children's ministries. We want as many kids as possible to participate, whether they're active in a church or not.

To register, and for answers to your questions, contact the Celebration office at TCRCelebration@billygraham.org or call 423-461-0057.

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, ... singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God." —Colossians 3:16, ESV

Important dates to remember:

Regional Prayer Gathering

March 1

Friendship Evangelism Seminars

March 5, 6 & 8

Christian Life & Witness Course (makeup session)

March 10

Contact us:

Website: TCRCelebration.org

Email address: TCRCelebration@billygraham.org

Celebration Office:

Tri-Cities Region Will Graham Celebration

207 N. Boone St., Suite 600

Johnson City, TN 37604

Phone: 423-461-0057



If you would like to help keep our church and the congregation safe during our morning worship service you need to join our church security team. Please see Justin Ramsey, coordinator, if you have any questions. All doors will be locked at 10:00am each Sunday morning.



IT'S NOT TO LATE, you still have time to register for Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University starting April 5th 6:00pm... If you are interested please let Rena Worley know. If you aren't sure you can visit the first class and if you like it you can register that night.

Sunday School



UNIT: Go and Tell

Bible Verse: Acts 9:20 He began to preach about Jesus in the synagogues. "He is God's Son," he declared.

Anchor Point: Go and tell about Jesus.

Apr 1 - The Tomb is Empty Luke 24: 1-12

Apr 8 - Paul Changes Acts 9: 1-19

Apr 15 - Paul Escapes Acts 9: 20-25

Apr 22 - The Church Grows Acts 9: 26-31

Apr 29 - Timothy is Chosen Acts 16: 1-5, 2 Timothy 3: 14-15

If you would be willing to help with children's church one Sunday a month please let Sheena Tinsley know. You **do not** need to do the lesson.



April 3rd Executive Meeting 6:00pm
General meeting for both Circle at 7:00pm

April 25th Joy Circle 11:00am

April Mission Madness:



Beginning Balance, January 1, 2018	\$ 52,287.89
Monies In	\$ 36,498.12
Monies out	<u>\$ (53,601.14)</u>
Ending Balance, February 28, 2018	\$ 35,184.98
Restricted/Designated Funds	<u>\$ 21,065.06</u>
Available Cash	\$ 14,119.92

Budget giving improved in February but still fell short of the needed \$4650 per week average.



DISTRICT SENIOR GATHERING

Elizabeth Chapel UMC will be hosting

April 5th Registration 10:00 – 10:30 AM

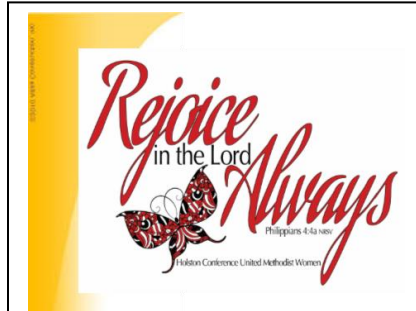
Program:

Soloist – Bob Cantler

Story Teller – Linda Poland

Message – Pastor Susan

Lunch will be prepared by Bob Neal & Company



Mission Trip to
Second Harvest Food
Bank
1020 Jericho Dr.
Kingport, TN
Saturday, April 21, 2018
From 10:00am –
12:00pm

Come on out and join us as we volunteer at Second Harvest Food Bank. We will take time to learn about Second Harvest then help them organize and label food.

Donations needed:	peanut butter	crackers
	macaroni & cheese	cans of sauce
cans of meat	cans of fruits & vegetables	rice
cake mix	cans of icing	pasta
regular boxes of cereal (no family size)		

*no homemade items and all food must be labeled with good dates

Ongoing Mission Madness

Eyeglasses, Labels for Education, Box Tops for Education, Canned Drink Tabs, Cell Phones, Food Pantry Items, Campbell's Soup Labels (*please bring whole label front and back*)

This Life on Earth

Easter means that this life on earth
is not all there is.
Jesus went "to prepare a place for us"
in His Father's heavenly mansions
for all eternity.

Jesus died for our sins,
paying our penalty,
so that we could be forgiven.
He was resurrected, to prove
that death has no hold
on those who repent
and accept Him as Savior.
This life on earth is a prelude
to eternal joy with our Lord.
Easter is a celebration
of our eternal destiny.

By Joanna Fuchs



Hello Church Family,

In today's world, do you feel inundated with too much information? I do. The good news is that information has never been so easy to get. What used to take hours to find in the library now takes seconds on my laptop or smart phone. In just a couple of minutes I can log into Michael's site for their weekly coupon, check the weather, find out when to plant tomatoes, get a recipe for scalloped potatoes and find the chapter and verse of all bible passages where Jesus refers to Himself as the Son of Man. We have access to more and more information every day. Recently I signed on to "Informed Delivery" at the US postal service and now I can get picture of each item I will receive in my mail each day. This is really handy when you are waiting for a package or just wondering if it's worth going to the box in the rain.

But all of this is a two-edged sword. Access to information is great—information overload is not. We get tons of unwanted ads, spam, emails... We become numb to all the words we are bombarded with each day. In the middle of all of this the church has to find a way to effectively communicate within our congregation and with those we hope to reach outside our walls. We have been working on these problems and two projects will be completed soon. First, the new sign will be up and running soon and I thank God and all of you for this great new asset for reaching out to thousands of people every day. Another way we hope to navigate the information jungle is our new and improved website. As I write this the we are working with our webmaster to get the website up to date and usable for both outside inquiry and for our members.

The calendar is now up to date and will be kept so. As soon as any event is scheduled it will be placed on the calendar so you can look there to see what is going on before you plan any other event. Also the reservations for the fellowship hall will be listed on a separate pull-down menu so you can see when it is already booked. (You will still book your dates with Miss Leona.) There will be a description of

your event and you can put out a call for volunteers and anything you need on the site as well.

The podcast of the sermon has been on the website for a long time, but now there will be a link to our Facebook page for the video of the worship service. There are also links to the various missions we are affiliated with.

Information is the life's blood of any organization. If you have any suggestion as to how to improve our communication with each other and the world outside our walls, please let me know.

Go to elizabethchapel.com and check everything out. Grace and Peace,

Pastor Susan



Weekly:

Sunday – 5:00 Men's Bible Study
5:00 Women's Bible Study
Wednesday – 6:00pm Bible Study
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal
Thursday – 6:30pm Zumba Class (for everyone
\$3.00 per session)

Monthly:

Apr 1 Easter Sunrise Service 6:30am
Apr 2 **FELLOWSHIP HALL RESERVED** (Foster Care DHS)
12:00pm – 4:30pm
Church Office Closed
Apr 3 UMW Executive Committee 6:00pm
UMW General Meeting 7:00pm
Apr 4 **FELLOWSHIP HALL RESERVED 8:30AM**
Apr 5 Senior Adult Gathering 10:00am
Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University
6:00pm
Apr 8 UMMen 8:00am
Worship Committee 4:00pm
Apr 12 Race Week Service 7:00pm
Apr 13 Church Office Closed (due to race)
Apr 14 – 15 **Race week-end**
Apr 24 Joy Circle 11:00am
Apr 27 Basket Class 3:00 – 10:00pm

Sermons are now on our website

www.Elizabethchapel.com

And follow us on Facebook

www.facebook.com/ElizabethChapelMethodist

You can join us on Facebook Live Sunday mornings if you are unable to come to church. Live feed starts at 10:00am; please like or comment on live feed.