



August 2026 *CHAPEL NEWS*

We at Lutheran Chapel Church are called by God to PROCLAIM Christ as Lord and Savior, to SEEK and to INVITE the unchurched into the fellowship of faith: to SERVE God and to NURTURE one another's faith and spiritual growth by being a loving,

ON FAITH PRACTICES

By grace alone. By faith alone. By Christ alone. Because our Lord Jesus has blessed us, therefore we live by faith and do the will of our Father in Heaven to the best of our ability. The following faith practices are grounded in biblical teaching and our Lutheran Confessions. These practices do not save us – Christ alone saves! Yet these practices are faithful to His will that we seek to follow day by day.

Pray

Specific Counsel: Pray three times a day in the morning, noon, and evening. Pray the Lord's Prayer that He gave us. As your devotion suggests, pray the Psalms, the prayer book of the Bible (Psalm 55, Daniel 6 and the Small Catechism "On Daily Prayers").

Study

Specific Counsel: Weekly Sunday School and/or small group Bible study will help us be challenged, comforted, and grow in understanding (Deuteronomy 6, Acts 2, Formula of Concord, Article 1).

Worship

Specific Counsel: Weekly, attend worship and receive God's gifts of Word and Sacrament (Exodus 20, Hebrews 10, and the Large Catechism "The Sacrament of the Altar").

Invite

Specific Counsel: Who invited you to the way of Jesus Christ? Who may you invite in your family, friends, work, and neighborhood to Christ's Church? (Romans 10 – Augsburg Confession, Article 4 and 5).

Encourage

Specific Counsel: Daily, encourage, support, and strengthen those in your circle of influence in Christ's Name. A kind word may do powerful things (Matthew 7 – the Golden Rule, Smalcald Articles – "Concerning the Gospel")

Serve

Specific Counsel: Serve your family, friends, church, and community by helping one another in Christ's Name. Go the next step to volunteer and serve those in need (Matthew 25 – the least of these you did it to Me, Small Catechism "On Table of Duties").

Give

Specific Counsel: You are blessed to be a blessing! God loves a cheerful giver who gives to help others and worthy causes. Consider the simple budget to tithe 10% to give to others, 10% to save and invest for future needs, and 80% spend wisely as you plan (Malachi 3, 2 Corinthians 7, Small Catechism "On Table of Duties").

Peace in Christ,

Pastor Michael
Pastor Michael

WORSHIP SCHEDULE



Sundays

8:00 am ~ Morning Prayer
8:30 am ~ Fellowship & Coffee
9:00 am ~ Sunday School
& Bible Study
10:00 am ~ Worship

Sunday Worship Service is streamed live for those unable to attend in person.

Wednesdays

6:00 ~ Evening Suffrages

Church **BUSINESS**



REVENUE AND EXPENSE SUMMARY

June 2026	Actual	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Over/(Under)
Receipts	\$24,226	\$152,995	\$186,000	\$33,005
Expenses	\$35,580	\$171,122	\$185,650	\$14,532
Net Gain / (Loss)	(\$10,354)	(\$18,127)	\$350	(\$18,473)

Upcoming **EVENTS**



JOIN US FOR HOTDOGS AND ICECREAM

COME ONE COME ALL!!!



Celebrate Back to School with grilled hot dogs and a homemade ice cream social on Thursday evening, August 6th @ 6 pm in the Family Life Center. Everyone in the congregation is invited and encouraged to be there. All we ask is that you bring a good appetite and plan to have a good time.

OWLS

(Older Wiser LutheranS)

We hope you'll join us for our next
OWL-standing time of fellowship!

Thursday, August 20 at 11:00 am

Sweet Carolinas McConnells

4000 Chester Hwy, McConnells, SC



If you would like a ride the bus will leave
the church at 10 am.

Women of the **ELCA** 

CIRCLE MEETINGS

Esther and Rebecca Circle

Meetings will begin again on
Monday, September 14th

HOMEcoming SUNDAY / INVITE A FRIEND



The Worship & Music and Outreach teams invite you to join Homecoming/Friend Sunday on **Sunday, September 27**. Lunch will follow the worship service and we invite you to bring a dish to share.

If you would like an invitation mailed to a friend, family member, or former church member, please send their name and mailing address to Eula Ritchie at:

ebritchie2734@gmail.com by **August 15**.

SPEAKER CAITLYN REESE KILLIAN

Monday, October 5th from 10 am

The Esther Circle at Lutheran Chapel Church invites all ladies of the church and their guests to join us for our **October 5th meeting at 10:00 am**. We are honored to welcome Caitlin Reese Killian as our guest speaker,



as she shares her inspiring cancer journey, faith, and message of hope and perseverance.

In November 2019, at the age of 29, Caitlin was diagnosed with Stage 3 triple-negative breast cancer. Despite facing a difficult diagnosis and treatment journey, including a double mastectomy, Caitlin has continued to inspire others through her faith and positive outlook. A graduate of Lenoir-Rhyne University and former elementary music teacher, she now works part-time and hosts the "Goodness and Grace" podcast.

Please call the church office or Judy Anton at **704-867-1309** by **September 27** if you plan to attend. Be sure to let us know how many will be attending with you so we can plan accordingly.



Helping **OTHERS**



This Month's Recipient



CRISIS ASSISTANCE MINISTRY

August's love offering will be donated to Crisis Assistance Ministry. They provide food, rent/mortgage, and utility assistance for people in need in our community. This ministry would not be possible without the financial gifts, food donations, and volunteer hours provided by 58 congregations in our county. Our congregation is generous each month in giving to our love offerings, and we appreciate the support and love that you give to this ministry as they work to stop the suffering of our neighbors.

Please continue to place food donations in the blue box in our Sunday School wing and in the basket in the narthex of the sanctuary. Please check the expiration dates of all donated food items. The Social Ministry Committee will continue to deliver to CAM as donations are given.

Please prayerfully consider a donation and help CAM!

Thank you,
Social Ministry Committee

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME TO MAKE MUSIC!

Come and make music with these exciting groups! If you'd like to join us contact:
Kathie Riebe at music@lutheranchapelchurch.org

Chapel Ringers



Rehearsals begin August 25th at 5:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

Chancel Choir



Rehearsals begin August 30th at 11:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

Instrument Ensemble



If you play an instrument and want to serve, consider joining the ensemble!

Serving the CHURCH



AUGUST WORSHIP ASSISTANTS



	Assistant Minister	Acolyte	Lector	Crucifer	First Aid
August 2	Norman Overcash	Elena Hoffman	Debi Jean Wankel	Hunter Clark	Crown Hoffman
August 9	Noah Comer	Cameron Bell	Beth Swindler	Bram Comer	Tammy Royston
August 16	Sylvia Fogle	Renwick Royston	Bram Comer	Corbin Brown	Mark Thornburg
August 23	Chris Lowe	Luke Hoffman	Gwen Lewis	Will Clark	Ervin Hoffman
August 30	Adam DeLuca	Elena Hoffman	Carolyn Niemeyer	Jordan Hoffman	Perry Linkous
Council Members of the Month: Matt Hoffman and Seth Myers					

*** If you have a conflict with your scheduled Sunday, please find a replacement and contact the church office. ***

AUGUST ALTAR FLOWERS

Cost of flowers is \$58.50.

*Please be sure to note your payment is for **Altar Flowers**.*



August 2	Given by David and Susan Lewis in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary to the Glory of God.
August 9	Given by Ron and Ann Behringer, to the Glory of God for their 67th Wedding Anniversary.
August 16	Given by Terry and Trish Ratchford in honor of their grandchildren, Alex and Olivia Berghello.
August 23	Given by Larry and Brooks Cloninger in memory of Buck Cloninger.
August 30	Given by Keith and Teresa Yarborough in honor of their 49th Wedding Anniversary.





Numbers 6:24-26 – God’s Blessings on Your Birthday

"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."

As you celebrate your special day, remember that God’s presence is a continual source of light in your life. His blessings are like rays of sunshine, bringing peace and grace into every new year you face.

Celebrating OUR MEMBERS

Birthdays

Caroline Carpenter	1
Ann Behringer	2
Kimberly Bell	2
Chris Angstadt	5
Rachel Carpenter	5
Steve Bell	7
Janie Peak	7
Susan Cooper-Cox	8
Olivia Berghello	10
Steve Jackson	19
Carlton Peacock	19
Emily Carpenter	21
Ginny Comer	22
Jason Sanders	22
Charles Heilig, IV	27
Lucinda Thornburg	27
Baker Sanders	30
Barbara Robinson	

Anniversaries

Ron and Ann Behringer	1
Erin and Cody Huffstetler	3
David and Susan Lewis	7



SEND A NOTE OF ENCOURAGEMENT TO OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



George Cashion
515 S. Generals Blvd.
Room # 210
Lincolnton, NC 28093

Betty Little
Covenant Village
1351 Robinwood Rd.
Apt. A-205
Gastonia, NC 28054

Barbara & Carlton Peacock
151 E Dallas Hwy
Apt. 616
Stanley, NC 28164

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please let the office know so that we can enter it into the database.

AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 8:00 Morning Prayer 8:30 Fellowship (FH) 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00 Worship (S) 8:00 Faith Group (FH)	3	4 8:30 Preschool 10:00 Clothing Closet Workday 6:00 Pickup Basketball (FLC)	5 8:30 Preschool 6:00 Suffrages & Chosen (C)	6 8:30 Preschool 6:00 Hot Dogs & Ice Cream	7 Office Closed	1 9:30 Hungry Peeps (FH)
9 8:00 Morning Prayer 8:30 Fellowship (FH) 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00 Worship (S) 4-6 Life in Christ (FH,C) 8:00 Faith Group (FH)	10	11 10:00 Clothing Closet Workday 6:00 Pickup Basketball (FLC) 6:30 Worship & Music (C)	12 8:30 Preschool 6:00 Suffrages & Chosen (C) 10:00 Clothing Closet Workday September Newsletter Articles Due	13	14 Office Closed	15 9:30 Hungry Peeps (FH)
16 8:00 Morning Prayer 8:30 Fellowship (FH) 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00 Worship (S) 11:00 Executive Council (C) 8:00 Faith Group (FH)	17	18 10:00 Clothing Closet Workday 6:00 Pickup Basketball (FLC)	19 6:00 Suffrages & Chosen (C)	20 11:00 OWL's 6:00 Preschool Open House (FLC)	21 Office Closed	22 9:30 Hungry Peeps (FH)
23 8:00 Morning Prayer 8:30 Fellowship (FH) 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00 Worship (S) 4-6 Life in Christ (FH,C) 8:00 Faith Group (FH)	24 8:30 Preschool Fall Session Begins	25 8:30 Preschool 10:00 Clothing Closet Workday 5:30 Chapel Ringers (S) 6:00 Pickup Basketball (FLC)	26 8:30 Preschool 6:00 Suffrages & Chosen (C)	27 8:30 Preschool	28 Office Closed	29
30 8:00 Morning Prayer 8:30 Fellowship (FH) 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00 Worship (S) 11:00 Chancel Choir (S) 8:00 Faith Group (FH)	31					

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