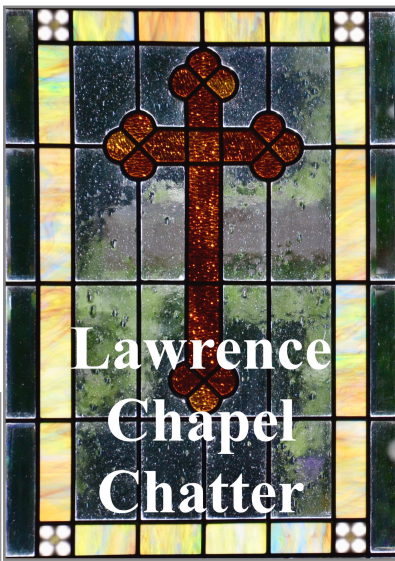


September 2024

Message from Gregg!



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
9am-Noon

Pastor Gregg Martin



Support
your church
ministry.

I know! know! September is all about the start of football season and rooting for our favorite teams. But as we kick off a new football season and hope springs eternal, it's a great time to take some of that energy and optimism and focus it on Lawrence Chapel's Ministry Teams. Many thanks to so many of you already involved but it would be great to have others join in. Involvement in the ministries at Lawrence Chapel makes a tangible impact in the lives of those in our community and beyond.

Because each of us is uniquely gifted by God with talents, skills, and passions that are meant to be shared, we are not allowed to say we're not up to the task. There is a place for each of us to share our gifts and passions. Serving in a ministry isn't just about filling a spot or even meeting a need; it's about finding where our God-given abilities can make a difference. Whether it is a heart for teaching, a gift for hospitality or nurture, a passion for music, a love of kids and young people, a spirit of worship, or a desire to serve those in need, there is a ministry where each person's contributions will be valued and impactful.

And there are so many reasons to serve. Serving in a ministry not only benefits the church and community but it also enriches every individual's own spiritual journey. It allows a deepening of a relationship with God and strengthens our understanding of what it means to live a life of faith. It builds lasting friendships and a sense of belonging. And the contribution of time and talents, makes a real and lasting difference in the lives of so many others.

The first step is praying about where God might be leading you to serve. Then reach out to Lawrence Chapel's ministry team leaders or visit the church office to learn more about the different opportunities and the ways to serve. Even as you read this newsletter you will learn about the good work being done and the efforts you can plug into.

Every role, every contribution, is vital to the coming Kingdom of God and Lawrence Chapel's work in that Kingdom. Together, as the body of Christ, we are called to love and serve together. And.....enjoy football season!
Gregg

September Senior Lunch

The Senior Group will be going to the Wright Cabin in Highlands for Senior Lunch on Sept. 11th. Bring a couple of your favorite dishes and join us. We will eat at 12:00pm. Helen and Jean will be calling everyone to ask if you will be coming, want to join the caravan from the church or need a ride up the mountain. If we are lucky, we might get to see some of the 4 legged visitors that come by for a visit. Hope to see you on Sept. 11th.



5th Sunday Covered Dish Lunch

There will be a 5th Sunday Meal on Sunday, Sept. 29th right after church. It will be a Fall Theme. Bring several of your favorite dishes and join us for good food, good fun, and good fellowship. Our next scheduled 5th Sunday meal won't be until March since we don't have one in December. Hope everyone can be there Sept. 29th. Helen and her team will be in the kitchen at 10:00am to take your food. See you then!!!

Nurture Committee News

Thank you to all who continue to provide soup and cookies/bars and meals for the Soup Ministry. Containers for your contribution are located next to the microwave in the fellowship hall. Please use these plastic containers instead of glass jars. The glass jars freeze and crack. If you know someone who would appreciate receiving a meal, a card or a visit, please let Donna Glenn or Ann Fuhr know. Thanks to all who support this caring ministry.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30am Adult Sunday School 10am Children's Tone Chimes/Choir	2 Happy Labor Day! Church Office Closed.	3 8:30am Devotion via Facebook with Gregg	4 12pm Hooks and Needles	5 10:00am Experiencing God Bible Study	6	7
8 9:30am Adult Sunday School 10am Children's Tone Chimes/Choir	9 10:00am Chat with Gregg	10 8:30am Devotion via Facebook with Gregg	11 12pm Senior Lunch 12pm Hooks and Needles 2pm The Chosen Study	12	13	14 11-3pm Kid's Lake Day at the Martins
15 9:30am Adult Sunday School 10am Children's Tone Chimes/Choir 11:30am Greeting Cards on Sale in the Library	16 10:00am Chat with Gregg 6pm Leadership Council Meeting	17 8:30am Devotion via Facebook with Gregg	18 12pm Hooks and Needles 6pm Kid's Christmas Play practice and youth group	19 10:00am Experiencing God Bible Study	20 Newsletter articles are due to Elizabeth	21
22 9:30am Adult Sunday School 10am Children's Tone Chimes/Choir	23 10:00am Chat with Gregg 3:00pm Two or More Dominion for a Hymn Sing	24 8:30am Devotion via Facebook with Stephen	25 12pm Hooks and Needles 2pm The Chosen 6pm Kid's Christmas Play practice and youth group	26	27	28
29 9:30am Adult Sunday School 10am Children's Tone Chimes/Choir 11:30am 5th Sunday Lunch	30 10:00am Chat with Gregg					



Eunice and John Adams, Jim Brackett(Donna Glenn), The Mocko Family(Andersons),
Marie Karns(Geehrens), Greg and Anita Morton(Collins),
Kelly(Sandra and Lou), Donna (Lori Simpson's mom), Pam and Joe Drummond,
Tori Bell, Tahlia Bell(Singletons), Duane and Norma Barton, Buddy and Doris Madden,
Sam (Donna Glenn), Skip Fenton, Betty Ambrose, Rylan and Family(Heather Beam),
Kiya Harmon, Frank and Joyce Hartsell, Scott Leatherbery, Renee Lambert, Kelly(Julie Weir)
Fred Hubbard, Barbara Ochoa.

Nursing Care

The Downs - Betty Ambrose - Skilled Nursing, Clemson 29631
Pruitt - Nan Davis - 163 Love and Care Rd., Room 3, Six Mile, SC 29682
Dominion - Billy Griffin - 100 Pershing Ave., Apt. #A128 Clemson, SC 29631

Assisted Living



Landon Files(Navy), Tanner Files(Army), Cayden Bell(Marines),
Matt Sanders (Air Force), Noble Stick(Air Force)(Singleton's),
Jeremy Cassell (US Army),
Logan and Stephanie Redding (US Coast Guard) (Colby Blakely).

Memorials

Michele Leatherbery
By Stephen and Diane Singleton
Ken Webb and Family

Signup online to
bring Altar Flowers



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Reverend Gregg Martin, Pastor
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Ken Glenn, Treasurer
Penny Hall and Donna Glenn, Lay Leaders
Stephen Singleton, Lay Member to Annual Conference
Reverend Steven Patterson, District Superintendent

<https://lawrencechapel.church>

Church WiFi ID - LCMGuest
Password - PeaceBeWithYou!

Lawrence Chapel UMC Practices the Love and Teachings of Jesus



**Please welcome back our Chancel Choir.
Support your church music ministry. Come join
the choir.**



Our Children Need You

We have a thriving children's ministry. And many of you have volunteered and supported our special events. There is a very important area that could also use some additional help. There are 4-5 ladies that have been leading children's chapel. A few additional volunteers would spread out the rotation. Missing worship is not ideal for many but look at the little disciples you would be growing.

Deanna prepares the lesson so your preparation is minimal. And our children are a delight to be around. You can tag team with a regular teacher to orient you. Couples can help together since we have a third worker present. Please consider volunteering. You can sign up online or let Deanna know. Thank you.

2024 Year to Date Summary Thru July 2024 Total Income/Expenses

Budget YTD	Expenses Paid YTD	Giving YTD	Variance
			Expenses to Giving
\$156,161.00	\$129,139.47	\$133,115.70	\$3,976.23

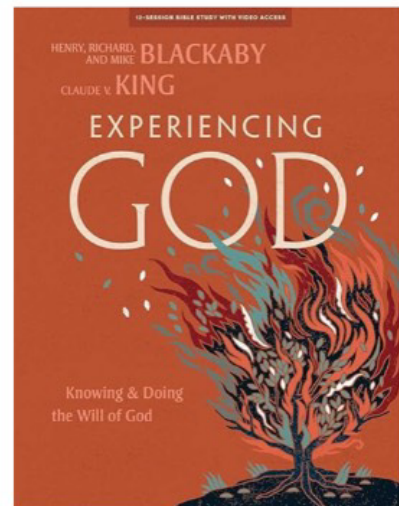
YTD General Fund gifts, tithes and offerings exceeded spending by \$3,976.23. Your generosity in supporting the work and ministry of Lawrence Chapel is greatly appreciated.

THURSDAY BOOK STUDY RETURN THIS FALL 10am

Experiencing God Bible Study Book includes 12 sessions, personal study between group sessions, and applicable Scripture. Over the years, God has used the truths of *Experiencing God* to awaken believers to a radically God-centered way of life. As a result, millions have come to know God intimately, to recognize His voice, and to understand His will for their lives. God is inviting you into an intimate love relationship through which He reveals to you His will, His ways, and His work.

Session topics:

Introduction	August 22
1. God's Will for Your Life	September 5
2. Looking to God	September 19
3. God Pursues a Love Relationship	October 3
4. Love and God's Invitation	October 17
5. God Speaks, Part 1	October 31
6. God Speaks, Part 2	November 14
7. The Crisis of Belief	(Future dates to be determined)
8. Adjusting Your Life to God	
9. Experiencing God Through Obedience	
10. God's Will and the Church	
11. Kingdom People	
12. Experiencing God in Your Daily Life	



If you are interested in participating in this study, please email Pat Fenton at pfenton9@yahoo.com. We will have an introduction to this study on **Thursday, August 22 @ 10 a.m. in the library**. This study also asks you to have a prayer journal. I will be glad to have the workbooks, journals, and handouts available at this meeting for the cost of \$25/person. I will be placing the order on August 11.

- (CAUTION: If you decide to order your own, please be sure you are ordering the Bible Study. Used ones are available on several sites but I encourage you to have your own copy because you will be answering questions and writing reactions to these lessons.)



Food Pantry Donations Needed

News from the Goodness Grocery

As a reminder here is a list of items to donate:

Peanut butter, Tomato and Chicken Noodle Soups, Dry beans, (pinto, black-eyed peas, navy, lima, northern), Canned beans - pinto, black, kidney, chili beans, Pasta noodles all varieties, bottled water, snack items, bath soap, dish detergent, shampoo.

We accept open bags of cat and dog food as well as treats. We bag them into smaller bags.

World Food Day

World Food Day is coming up on October 16th. We will be holding a special food drive for our Goodness Grocery in conjunction with this annual event. Stay tuned for more details!



The Chosen Season 3

We will meet at 2pm in the Sunday School Room on Wednesdays.

Dates:

September 11 - Episode 3

September 25 - Episode 4

October 9 - Episode 5

October 23 - Episode 6

November 6 - Episode 7

November 20 - Episode 8

9/14 Jennifer Anderson
Chuck DeCarbo
Donna Glenn
9/18 Steve Collins
9/24 Nan Davis
9/26 Connor Reid

9/29 Rev. Gregg and Cheryl
Martin

**New
Time!**

GET THE BULLETIN IN YOUR EMAIL

Lawrence Chapel UMC

Delivered before each Sunday service

or



The "Two or More" group will be meeting for a Hymn Sing at Dominion in Patrick Square on Monday, September 23, 2024, at 3:00pm. Everyone is welcome. Feel free to invite your friends and family!

Kids Lake Day at The Martin's Home.

**Hamburgers and hotdogs
were served for lunch.
The kids enjoyed boat riding,
tubing and swimming.**





CHILDREN'S

September



Newsletter



Events



- September 14th: Kids Lake Day 11-3
- September 18th: Kids Christmas play and youth group starts
- September 25th: Christmas practice and youth group
- September 29th: Kids sing

Christmas Practice and Youth Group

It is time to start practicing for our Christmas play again. We will have practice from 6-7:30 every Wednesday starting September 18th. If you would like to participate please sign up here:

<https://forms.gle/7PSR4Upsjz4EY66m9>

Tone Chimes/Choir

We will be practicing the song The Lord's Prayer. We will start practicing with Amy at 10am every Sunday until we perform on Sunday, September 29th.

Volunteers

We can always use volunteers for the nursery, children's church, and Christmas practice. Click this link to sign up if you would like to spend time with these awesome kiddos! [Children's Chapel Sign Up](#)

What we are learning

Our new unit is called Blueprint and it is about feelings and emotions. This unit teaches us how to handle all of our feelings and emotions in a Christian way, and that it is okay to feel all of these emotions because God gave them to us.





Micky's Amblers

Come join us in tribute to Michele Leatherbery's struggle with Pulmonary Fibrosis(PF). Michele died August 16th but the month of September is National PF Awareness month and it's Foundation, headquartered in Chicago, is urging all communities across the country to organize a walk (with donations) to help fight this dreadful, progressive disease. Unfortunately, the Clemson Tigers home football schedule precludes our participation at the Botanical Gardens during the month of September so our Walk-a-thon will be on Saturday, Oct. 5th, gathering at the church parking lot at 9am. Free T-shirts (with Michele's picture on them) will be available. Let Elizabeth know asap if you intend to participate in memory of Michele. We will be walking-donating together toward a cure for and building awareness of Pulmonary Fibrosis.

Our mission is to accelerate the development of new treatments and ultimately a cure for pulmonary fibrosis (PF). Until this goal is achieved, the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation (PFF) is committed to advancing improved care of patients with PF and providing unequalled support and education resources for patients, caregivers, family members, and health care providers.

The PFF is the largest nonprofit organization dedicated to funding research and advocating for important issues for the PF community. We're here for you.

To donate visit our website: pulmonaryfibrosis.org