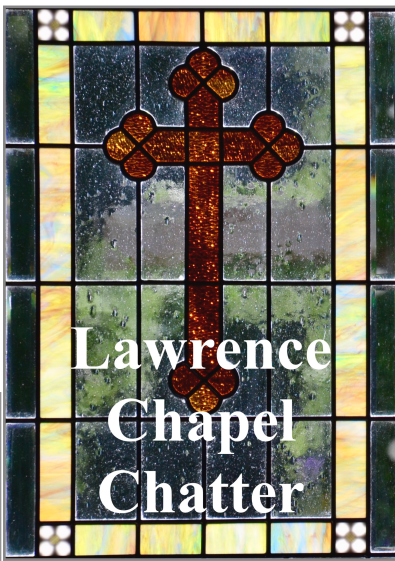




Our Mission

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 Justin Ritter



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Message from Justin!

One of the highlights of my recent vacation to Pigeon Forge was spending a day at Dollywood with family. I kept noticing the same phrase on signs and in commercials: **“Love Every Moment.”** At first, it just sounded like a good vacation slogan. But the more I thought about it, the more I realized it carries a message that reaches far beyond a theme park.

Life has a way of keeping us busy. We rush from one appointment to the next, check items off our to-do lists, and sometimes forget to notice the people and blessings right in front of us. Spending time away reminded me that every moment really is a gift from God. We don’t know how many moments we have, so each one is worth paying attention to.

When Jesus was asked about the greatest commandment, He answered simply: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength,” AND “Love your neighbor as yourself.” This command shapes every part of our lives. Every conversation is an opportunity to show kindness. Every encounter is a chance to offer grace. Every person we meet is someone loved by God.

As the church, perhaps our calling is to “love every moment” in the best possible way. We love God through worship, prayer, and faithful living. We love our neighbors by welcoming them, serving them, listening to them, and reminding them they belong. Sometimes the smallest acts of love make the biggest difference.

As we begin a new month together, my prayer is that we won’t let life’s precious moments pass us by. May we slow down enough to recognize God’s presence, cherish the people around us, and make the most of every opportunity to share Christ’s love. After all, every moment is a gift, and every moment is another chance to love.

Love you all, Justin

I wanted to briefly celebrate with you: through Worship, Bible studies, our food pantry, children’s and youth ministries, Salkehatchie, Campus Ministry outreach, Touch-a-Truck, back-to-school outreach, and so many other ministries, God has been at work in and through our church.

None of these ministries happen by accident. They are made possible through the prayers, time, talents, and financial support of our church family. **Thank you** for your generosity and your commitment. Your giving is making a difference in people’s lives each and every week. I am excited about what God has in store and grateful that we can continue serving together.

August Senior Lunch

Senior Lunch will be on Wednesday, August 12th at 12:00pm. Bring several of your favorite dishes and join us for good food and fellowship!!



5th Sunday Meal

We will have a 5th Meal on Sunday, August 30th right after church. Bring several of your favorite dishes and join us.

Please be sure your dishes are cooked since we need the ovens to keep food warm.

5th Sunday Meals are always a great time of good food and fellowship!!! See you then!!

Please drop food off in the kitchen.



**2 Lee Ellenburg
5 Ken Glenn
6 Cindy Brackett
10 Aaron Phiher
11 Whitley Simpson
12 Elizabeth Bowman
Laurel Hunnicutt
Ivey Harmon
15 Tina Clark
22 Robert Burley
24 Todd Beam
25 Scott Lee**

**8 Skip and Pat Fenton
19 Stanley and Sandra Morgan
21 Buddy and Doris Madden
23 Randy and Lori Simpson**

Goodness Grocery

Please consider donating the following items:

Canned ravioli, spaghetti O's(store brand is fine),
pork and beans, mustard, ketchup, mayo, jelly, rice,
soup, spaghetti sauce, evaporated milk,
bottled water, deodorant, toothpaste,
travel samples are great too.

We accept open bags of cat and dog food
(sometimes our pets taste buds change)

Thank you for your support.



Care Committee Update

Homemade soups, small casseroles are needed to fill the freezer in the fellowship hall. These are delivered to members with health issues. We so appreciate your effort.

If you know someone who is having surgery or sick please reach out to a member of our care committee Linda Regnier, Julie Weir, Ruth Abercrombie, Ann Fuhr, or Donna Glenn.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 11:30am 5th Sunday Meal	31 10am Coffee with Justin		<i>Each</i> Sunday 9am Sunday School			1 10-12pm Back to School Bash
2 Blessing of the Backpacks	3 10am Coffee with Justin	4	5 12pm Hooks and Needles	6	7	8
9	10 10am Coffee with Stephen	11	12 12pm Senior Lunch 1pm Hooks and Needles	13 Church Office Closed	14 <i>Final Day</i> <i>for</i> <i>Newsletter</i> <i>articles.</i>	15
16 4pm Reception for Rev. James Friday at Grace UMC Pickens	17 10m Coffee with Justin 6pm Leadership Council Meeting	18	19 12pm Hooks and Needles	20	21	22
23	24 10am Coffee with Justin	25	26 12pm Hooks and Needles	27 10am Luke in the Land	28	29



Kelly(Sandra and Lou), Sam(Glenns), Drew Meyers, Gunther Nocht(Kris Ellenburg), Betty Ambrose, Rev. Bruce and Ann Sayre, Barbara Ochoa, Braelyn Hollensbe, Joann Holmes(Walter Hadden), Pat and Skip Fenton, Bob and Josie Geehreg, Cherie Pressley(Sandra and Lou), Tommy McCall(Wesley Ramey), Lesa Hendrick, Robyn Daffron(Anne Lee), Vera Crane(Heather Beam), Ray Smith(Cindy Arnold), Andrea Hyde(Laura Linder), Eddie Sweet(Morgans), Joyce Hartsell, Jean Thomas, Ginger Roper(Davisons), Anne Lee, Nan Davis, Josh Howard(Lee), Julie Wardlaw.

Nursing Care

Assisted Living

The Downs Skilled Nursing 500 Downs Blvd Room 31 - Betty Ambrose
Pruitt - Nan Davis - 163 Love and Care Rd., Room 1, Six Mile, SC 29682
Duane and Norma Barton - 515 Benton St. Apt. 110, Seneca, SC 29672



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

Signup online to
bring Altar Flowers



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Elizabeth Bowman, Financial Secretary
Dr. Amy Ahui, Music Director/Pianist
Deanna Phifer, Director of Children's Ministry
Ken Glenn, Treasurer
Suzi Harmon, Nursery
Stephen Singleton, Penny Hall and Donna Glenn, Lay Leaders
Stephen Singleton, Lay Member to Annual Conference

Reverend James Friday, District Superintendent

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Fall Bible Study Series

Luke in the Land - Bible Study for Women with Video

Beginning August 27th.

Walking with Jesus in His First-Century World by Kristi McLelland. **Presented by Julie Drake.**

In our Bibles, we have four Gospels describing Jesus's time on earth: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. The land of Israel—the place Jesus walked and taught during His earthly ministry—is often referred to as the "fifth Gospel."

Follow Kristi McLelland through Israel as we study snapshots from the Gospel of Luke to see where the stories of the Bible took place. Over 7 sessions in this Bible study workbook, challenge the way you read the accounts of Jesus through teaching videos that take you to locations in Israel like Bethlehem, the Sea of Galilee, Gethsemane, Jerusalem, and the road to Emmaus. Along the way, you'll see how Jesus, the Messiah, brought His kingdom to earth for everybody.

DATES : Every Other Thursday beginning at 10am:

August 27 - Session One

September 10 - Session Two

September 24 - Session Three

October 8 - Session Four

October 22 - Session Five

November 5- Session Six

November 19 - Session Seven

Order your own book at Amazon or your favorite bookseller. <https://a.co/d/045CujTr>

QAVA STUDY SERIES “What Is God’s Will ?”

Beginning September 3rd.

Few questions haunt the Christian imagination more persistently than this one: What is God's will? We ask it at the crossroads of decision, in seasons of uncertainty, and often with an undercurrent of anxiety—as if the will of God were a narrow tightrope we might easily fall from if we take one wrong step.

But Scripture invites us to approach this question not with fear, but with formation.

If this question “What is God's will?” is stirring your heart, I want to invite you to go further with us in our flagship series, [Foundations of Faith](#). Part 2 of this collection, [What is God's Will?](#)—is a 4-part series that explores this theme biblically, theologically, and pastorally. **Presented by Stephen Singleton.**

DATES: Every Other Thursday beginning at 10am :

September 3 - Session One

September 17 - Session Two

October 1 - Session Three

October 15 - Session Four

Study material will be provided.

Blood Pressure Station

We now have a blood pressure station set up in Billy's classroom behind the wall. The station includes a monitor, sanitizing wipes, informational graphics, and a blood pressure log. You can take a log sheet and record your readings and use it over and over to monitor your results and share them with your medical professional if needed. If there are any issues with the monitoring machine, please let Heather know or let Elizabeth know and she will reach out to Heather. We hope this will be beneficial for everyone and help you keep track of your health and well-being.





Welcome Service for Rev. James Friday

Save the date! August 16th at 4:00pm

**at Grace United Methodist Church
309 E. Cedar Rock Street, Pickens, SC 29671.**

**Worship Service and Reception honoring our
new District Superintendent and his wife,
Rev. James and Debra Friday.**