

Membership and Church Practices:

If you are interested in membership at Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship, or if you have questions about church practices such as communion, baptism and reconciliation, please talk with our pastor or one of our deacons:

Ben Rudeen Kreider, Pastor

Thomas Lehman

Nick Plummer

Rebecca Rich

Kathy Roberts

Communication Information:

For church-related communications, please subscribe to our **email list**.

To sign up, contact Nick Plummer.

To contact **Children and Youth Pastor** Catherine Lee, email:

catherine@chapelhillmennonite.org.

Our **website** has more information about our faith and worship, as well as the text of previous sermons: <https://chapelhillmennonite.org>.

Please direct all other questions to chmf@chapelhillmennonite.org.

Affiliations:

Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship CHMF is a **member** of the following:

- Central District Conference (mcusacdc.org), a regional conference of Mennonite Church USA (mennoniteusa.org)
- NC Council of Churches, (ncchurches.org), a statewide ecumenical organization which promotes Christian unity and a more just society
- Supportive Communities Network (bmclgbt.org/scn), a network of Mennonite and Church of the Brethren communities that welcome and affirm full participation and leadership of LGBTQIA+ people.

CHMF **supports:**

- Brethren Mennonite Council for LGBT Interests (bmclgbt.org)
- Open Table Ministries (opentableministry.org) in Durham
- Interfaith Council (IFCWeb.org) in Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship

October 15, 2023



Song Leader: Sarah Marks

Worship Leader: Rebecca Rich

Preacher: Ben Kreider

Childcare: Laura Rosenberger, Sandra Vander Linde

Gathering for Worship

Call to worship, adapted from Psalm 106

L: Praise the Lord.

Give thanks for God's goodness.

P: God's steadfast love endures forever.

L: Happy are those who observe justice,
who do righteousness at all times.

**P: Save us, O Lord, and gather us from among the nations,
that we may give thanks to your holy name,
and glory in your praise.**

All: Come and worship God!

Opening Prayer

Gathering hymns # 25 Brethren We Have Met to Worship
182 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Congregational Prayer

Michael Lee

Proclaiming the Word

Exodus 32:1-14

Tana Liu-Beers

Children's Story

Ben Kreider

*Hymn # 226 Sleepers, Wake

Matthew 22:1-14

Nick Plummer

Sermon

"Many Are Called"

Ben Kreider

Responding to the Word

Hymn # 832 The Lord Lift You Up

Congregational response, sharing and prayer

Zach Yordy

Announcements and introductions

Sending hymn # 617 When Peace Like a River

Benediction

** Children who have not yet started kindergarten are welcome to meet at the entrance doors for childcare at this time.*

Next Week: Church Service at Retreat

Lead: Sidney King

Hymns: Xaris Martínez

Preach: Ben Rudeen Kreider

Sharing: Rebecca Rich

Scriptures

Exodus 33:12-23

Psalm 99

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Matthew 22:15-22

Announcements

This fall, CHMF Sunday School will focus on the story of the Bible—the big picture. Starting September 10, Sunday school will be held **every Sunday at 4pm—for all ages, kids and adults**. We're calling it "The Bible Timeline Project," creating a timeline together to help us visualize and understand the story of God's people in history. Each week will be a little different, but we'll have arts and crafts (for grown-ups too!), singing, games, and discussion. Bring your curiosity and your questions.

Participate: CHMF encourages any regular attendee to participate in the service. We have rotating worship planners, song leaders, preachers, prayer leaders, response/sharing leaders, scripture readers, and childcare volunteers. If you are interested in helping, sign up on the Worship Participant List. We would welcome your help with worship.

Benevolence Fund: Our congregation has a mutual aid fund, administered by the deacons, to help with financial hardships. If you have a need, including for individual or family therapy services, please get in touch with a deacon. Personal requests are kept confidential.

Tithes and Offerings: We collect our offerings on the first Sunday of the month. After that, checks may be mailed to our treasurer, Steve Jolley.

Calendar

October 20-22—CHMF retreat at Trinity Center, Pine Knoll Shores, NC

October 22—No CHMF church service on Sunday evening

October 25—Dinner Group at Rosenberger/Mauro House

November 4—Youth Group

November 5—Congregational Life Meeting, 3:30 p.m.

November 8—Dinner Group at Hochstetler/Rich House