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Traditional Service - 11:10 a.m., Sanctuary*

* Services are broadcast live on the web.

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HOUSTON, TX 77055
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11:15 a.m. Fair Haven community worship, Sanctuary

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11:15 a.m. Iglesia Generaciones community worship,
Fellowship Hall (Español)

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339 W. 19TH STREET
HOUSTON, TX 77008
Sunday Worship - 10:00 a.m.



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MESSAGE FROM JOHN

THE SEASON OF ANTICIPATION

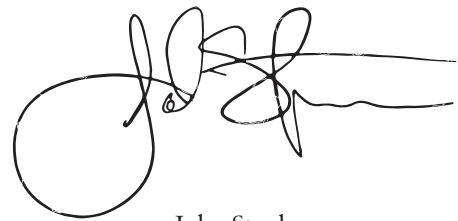
Through the eyes of a child, Christmas is a season of excitement and anticipation. Children long for the presents, the surprises, the candy, the cakes, the gathering of the family, and the magic of lights and carols. As a young kid, I remember how hard it was to stay sane during the lead up to Christmas. My brother, Matt and I were quite a handful for our parents during those seasons. We didn't want to go to bed on time, we didn't listen as well as we should have, and we seemed to get into a little more trouble than usual. We were filled with so much energy! I'm sure all the adults in our lives were pretty frustrated with us from Thanksgiving to Christmas. If you think about it, you can't really fault a kid for all that energy during the season leading up to Christmas. Anticipating the magic and the goodies, while having to wait patiently...how do you contain that much 10-year-old excitement? Anticipation has a powerful effect on human beings and little human beings don't have the same powers of self-control as grown-up human beings. The little ones get crazy during the holidays. Kids can't wait for Christmas morning because Christmas morning is filled with everything magical and good. The presents, the toys, the family, the meals, and the laughter overpower a kid's best attempts at self-control.

I still love this season more than any other. It excites me and fills me with great joy. I just wish it gave me the same energy it did when I was 10 years old! Now, my energy and joy manifest themselves in other ways as I have watched my kids grow into young adults. I don't run around the house screaming as much as I used to (I still do some crazy things; I just don't run anymore). Christmas is the season of excitement. This is the season of celebration. It is the season of anticipation.

The season of Advent and Christmas is all about anticipation. As adult followers of Christ, we still love the presents, the family, and the joyous gatherings, but we know there is something more coming. We anticipate with excitement the coming of Christ into our hearts and lives. We hope for transformation. We long for peace. We ache for healing and wholeness. Our adult Advent and Christmas anticipation is a hopeful expectation that Christ will embolden us in new and powerful ways. Hoping for Christ to come and transform us and our world is vital. If we never anticipate the full life in Christ, existence becomes mundane and is stripped of all its potential. Seasons of anticipation raise our spirits, fill us with goodwill toward others, and prepare us for the next season God has for us in life. As I think back on my childhood, the anticipation of Christmas did all these things for a different reason – it built excitement, led me to goodness, and excited me for what was to come.

This Advent and Christmas season at Chapelwood has been crafted to leverage the anticipation in all our hearts. Our season is filled with music, worship, special concerts, and even a brand-new Christmas festival! I want Chapelwood to build anticipation for Christmas in both the kiddos and the grown-ups. But I also want Chapelwood to begin to build anticipation for our church's shared future!

God is setting the table for some really big things at Chapelwood. We've been praying that God will open the doors of vision for us in 2020 and beyond...and God is doing exactly that! Chapelwood has always been an innovative and risk-taking church...now is the season to enter into our next chapter. We want to leverage Chapelwood's ambitious and Christ-centered spirit by looking at everything we do and how God may be leading us to do it differently in the future. As I think about all the doors God is opening, it fills me with great anticipation! And what better season to celebrate anticipation for our shared future than the seasons of Advent and Christmas. One of the great elements of anticipation is that even in the midst of the difficult seasons of life, Jesus points to hope for the future. I realize the Church of Christ is facing difficult days, but I am more excited about our future than I have ever been. That may sound odd to some considering the challenges we face. But anticipation of something really amazing has always had that unique power on me, and if you are honest, it has had that power on you, too. Anticipation lifts my eyes above all the limitations of the moment. In some ways, I feel like a kid again...excited to see what God will bring. My spirit is raised, my goodwill toward others is elevated, and I am prepared for the next season God has for us. I can't wait to see what God will do next. I'm like a kid on Christmas Eve...and I can't wait for the next Sunrise!



John Stephens
Senior Pastor

NOVEMBER

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Christmas Manna Begins
chapelwood.org/christmasmanna

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Creative Space
chapelwood.org/creativespace

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Kids' Friendsgiving
chapelwood.org/friendsgiving

25-29

CSYC/SBISD Thanksgiving Holiday

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No Circle of Friends

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Thanksgiving Day

28-29

Church closed for Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

1

Alternative Christmas Market
chapelwood.org/alternativechristmas

1

Beyond the Horizon City Centre Concert
chapelwood.org/communityconcerts

1

Advent Creative Arts Hour For Children Begins
chapelwood.org/creativeartshour

1

Advent Sermon Series Begins: The Season of Anticipation
chapelwood.org/anticipation

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UMW Christmas Luncheon
chapelwood.org/umwchristmasluncheon

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Circle of Friends Advent Drums and Drama
chapelwood.org/drumsanddrama

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Senior Adult Christmas Luncheon
chapelwood.org/senioradultchristmasluncheon

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Wayne Watson and Friends Featuring Nichole Nordeman
chapelwood.org/wayneandfriends

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Middle School AND High School Christmas Party
chapelwood.org/studentchristmasparty

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Lessons and Carols with Chapelwood Choir and Orchestra at the 11:10 a.m. Service
chapelwood.org/lessonsandcarols

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Chapelwood Christmas Festival
chapelwood.org/festival

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Advent Retreat
chapelwood.org/adventretreat

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Circle of Friends Christmas Worship and Party
chapelwood.org/cofchristmasparty

12 and 13

Carols and Keyboards
chapelwood.org/carolsandkeyboards

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Children's Ministry Happy Birthday Jesus
chapelwood.org/happybirthdayjesus

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Service of the Longest Night
chapelwood.org/longestnight

Christmas
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25-26

Church closed for Christmas

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**One Sanctuary Service at 11:10 a.m.
Contemplative Worship at 8:45 a.m.
(No Oikon Service, Circle of Friends, Adult, Student, or
Children's Ministry Sunday School)**
chapelwood.org/newyears

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DECEMBER 24

2:30 p.m. Oikon Chapelwood Candlelight Service, Greenbay Fellowship Hall

3:00 p.m. Christmas Carol and Communion Service, Gessner Trinity Center

3:00 p.m. Family Service with Communion, Greenbay Sanctuary

4:00 p.m. UR Heights Candlelight Service, The Heights Theater

4:30 p.m. Family Service with Communion, Greenbay Sanctuary

5:00 p.m. Fair Haven Candlelight Service, Gessner Sanctuary

5:30 p.m. Mercy Street Candlelight Service, Greenbay Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Contemplative Service, Greenbay Chapel

7:00 p.m. Candlelight and Communion Service with Wayne Watson, Greenbay Sanctuary

9:00 p.m. Candlelight Service with the Chancel Choir, Greenbay Sanctuary

11:00 p.m. Candlelight Service with the Wesley Choir, Greenbay Sanctuary

Visit chapelwood.org/christmaseve for more information.

New Members



*Ryan and Heather
McKenzie
(Grayson & Harper)*



James Marbach



Portia Norris



*Brad and Molly
Christie*



*Michael, Denise and
Kate Burcham (Left)
Joey and Maggie
Weaver (Charlie)
(Right)*



Patrick Richards



*Kollen and Hollie
West
(Henry, Chandler, &
George)*



Shawna Lasiter



*Jordan and Sarah
Stokes
(Hayes & Emersyn)*



Mer Macgowan



*David and Evelyn
Holm
(Ann, Sarah, Ben and
Sam)*

Photo not available:

Sanah Kotadia

Todd and Hayley Stewart

Membership is your commitment to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ in the areas of prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Tammy Heinrich, theinrich@chapelwood.org or (713) 354-4446.

Harper Madison McKenzie, daughter of Ryan and Heather McKenzie, on July 6, 2019.
Owen Delbert Larson, son of Brian and Sarah Larson, on July 7, 2019.
Addyson Reese Reeder, daughter of Alex and Chelsea Reeder, on July 14, 2019.
Olivia Kaitlyn Schladt, daughter of Eric and Laura Schladt, on July 14, 2019.
Cash Frederick Hutton, son of Greg and Lindsey Hutton, on July 28, 2019.
Virginia Carter Noel, daughter of Edmund and Tori Noel, on August 3, 2019.
Alexandra Reese Arnold, daughter of Wes and Cherise Arnold, on August 11, 2019.
Jacob McKay Arnold, son of Wes and Cherise Arnold, on August 11, 2019.
Reese Victoria Arnold, daughter of Wes and Cherise Arnold, on August 11, 2019.
Blythe Chilton Shaver, daughter of Blake and Taylor Shaver, on August 11, 2019.
Aria E. Cohen, daughter of Shawn and Lesa Cohen, on August 11, 2019.
Cynthia Jane Valach, daughter of Chris and Meredith Valach, on September 1, 2019.
Elizabeth Quinn Wismans, daughter of Kyle and Amanda Wismans, on September 1, 2019.
Charlotte Alice Wismans, daughter of Kyle and Amanda Wismans, on September 1, 2019.
Weston Stephen Altimore, son of Jarod and Caris Altimore, on September 8, 2019.
Madelyn Mae Byatt, daughter of David and Brittony Byatt, on September 8, 2019.
Tabitha Ogle, daughter of Brian and Stephanie Ogle, on September 8, 2019.
Judah Ogle, son of Brian and Stephanie Ogle, on September 8, 2019.
Grant Park, son of David and Grace Park, on September 8, 2019.
Bryson Dale Baty, son of Madison Baty, on September 22, 2019.

Chapelwood wants to know about milestone events happening in your life — family changes, job transitions, illness, and recovery — so we may celebrate, grieve, and pray together through life as family in Christ. If you or your family are in need of pastoral support in any of these areas, please contact Adrian Granger, agranger@chapelwood.org, (713) 354-4443, or visit chapelwood.org/wecare.

Members are invited to share the news of a birth, wedding, or death of a spouse, parent, or child with Margaret Bedell, mbedell@chapelwood.org or (713) 354-4432, for inclusion in the *Chimes*.

Mrs. Paula Stevens and family on the death of her husband, Mr. Ben D. Stevens, on July 5, 2019.
The family and friends of Ms. Hila Jo Alderman who died July 6, 2019.
The family and friends of Mr. R. Wayne Payne who died July 10, 2019.
The family and friends of Ms. Carol A. Johnson who died July 11, 2019.
Mr. Richard Wetherhead and family on the death of his wife, Mrs. Firuzan (FeFe) Wetherhead, on July 18, 2019.
Mrs. Flossie Huddleston, Mr. and Mrs. Peter D. Huddleston and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Currie (Lisa) and family on the death of their husband and father, Mr. B. P. (Pete) Huddleston, on July 30, 2019.
Mrs. Pat Moon, Michelle Stevens, and Erica Moon and families on the death of their husband and father, Mr. Jerry Moon, on August 6, 2019.
Mr. and Mrs. Pat McDermott and family on the death of Pat's mother, Mrs. Claire McDermott Dingle, on August 20, 2019.
Mr. and Mrs. John Campion and family on the death of Sandy's mother, Mrs. Juneta Jo (Josie) Lebeaux, on August 26, 2019.
The family and friends of Ms. Fredda Hogan who died August 27, 2019.
The family and friends of Mrs. Margaret Scalora who died August 30, 2019.
Mrs. Dixie Leggett, Jim and John Leggett and families on the death of their husband and father, Mr. L. Waldo Leggett, on September 1, 2019.
Mr. Jack E. Hillman and family on the death of his wife, Mrs. Gayle Hillman, on September 3, 2019.
Mr. and Mrs. Keith Herndon and family on the death of Keith's mother, Mrs. Libby Herndon, on September 5, 2019.
The family and friends of Mr. Keith Rutherford who died September 8, 2019.
Mrs. Fern Giddens and family on the death of her husband, Mr. Darryl M. Giddens, on September 21, 2019.
Mrs. Patty Amundson and family on the death of her mother, Mrs. Virginia (Ginny) Barnhill, on September 22, 2019.
Mr. John V. Yard and family on the death of his wife, Mrs. Sue Lane Yard, on September 25, 2019.
Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Padovani and family, Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Hayes and family, Mr. John P. Yard and family, and Mr. Lane Yard and family on the death of Linda's, Susan's, John's, and Lane's mother, Mrs. Sue Lane Yard, on September 25, 2019.
Ms. Kathy Jamison and family on the death of her step-son, Mr. Chris D. Jamison, on September 30, 2019.



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