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SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, SERMON TEXT & TITLE

Scripture Text: John 15:1-4

Message: "Connected"

FIRST SUNDAYS OF THE SUMMER MONTHS

We will again have the opportunity to worship together this Sunday as one church family. There will only be one worship service at 10:30 a.m. Missional Communities or Sunday School will not meet today. During the worship service there will be nursery, preschool, kindergarten and first and second grade Children's Church. We will observe the Lord's Supper this Sunday.

CHAPELGATE ONLINE

Our new online community, Chapelgate Online, is open to all members and regular visitors. If you have not received an invitational email, please send an email to chapelgateonline@chapelgate.org and one of our Chapelgate Online administrators will send one to you. We're also excited to launch our online giving feature! For step-by-step instructions on logging in or giving go, to <http://www.chapelgate.org/co> or <http://www.chapelgate.org/give>. On Sundays, August 1 and 8 we will have a demo station set up next to the Welcome Center where you can talk to a church staff member and participate in a Chapelgate Online demonstration.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

If you still want to sign up for the pictorial directory or make any changes to your appointment, contact Olan Mills directly at www.signup.olanmills.com or call 800-866-2263.

TWO GREAT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN A PEACEFUL OFFICE SETTING

If it brings you joy to make people feel welcome and are looking for a way to use your gift of hospitality, the church office invites you to serve on a monthly or weekly basis in our receptionist area during office hours. The volunteer would warmly greet our visitors, and would not be responsible for operating the switchboard. Contact Kelley Wolbert at kwolbert@chapelgate.org.

The other volunteer opportunity available is to stuff our weekly bulletins every Friday morning. For many years, we have had the help of three faithful men, Jim Ellis, Mac McFadden, and Tommy Shaffer. They have decided it is time to retire. We need two or three people to help us each Friday. You can come any time as early as 8:30 a.m. or later in the morning if you prefer. Please contact Joan Safriet at jsafriet@chapelgate.org.

Our Mission

Chapelgate's mission is to live out the Gospel in Word and Deed with the hope that God will bring Healing, Renewal and Peace to Greater Baltimore and the Nations for His Glory.



Dates to Remember

Pictorial Directory Portraits
August 2-7, 10-14, & 25-28

Sweets & Songs Sep. 10 & 11

Connect With Us

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For more information about Chapelgate go to www.chapelgate.org.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

November 15-20 is this year's deadline for Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts. Now is a good time to start purchasing your gifts, while back-to-school sales are on! Gifts may include school supplies (pencils, crayons, notebooks), personal hygiene items (toothbrush, toothpaste, brush, comb), toys (soft animals, balls, puzzles) non-perishable sweets (hard candies, tic tacs). **NO** liquids, chocolate, war related items, perishable or melt-able items, or political items (USA gear).

CHAPELGATE UNPLUGGED: MONTHLY PODCAST

Remember to check out the monthly podcast called 'Chapelgate Unplugged'. The August episode includes interviews with Monica Laird, Women's Ministry Director, Brian Wilcox for Serve Greater Baltimore, and Patrick Allen, Middle School Director. Listen or subscribe to the podcast by visiting www.chapelgate.org/podcast

REACH THE WORLD WITHOUT LEAVING HOME

Chapelgate volunteers teach English as a Second Language to adult internationals every Wednesday night during the school year. You don't need to be a professional teacher or speak a foreign language. All you need to do is speak English and love Jesus. We can teach you the rest. Teachers and helpers are needed for the fall semester starting September 1. The next ESL Teacher Training will be on August 27 & 28 (Friday, 6 p.m. to 9:45 p.m. and Saturday, 8:45 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.—you must attend both sessions). The fee is only \$45 which covers your training manual and food. To volunteer or to register for the training, contact Nancy Booher at 410-465-0154 or rbooher@comcast.net.

CAN YOU HELP CCA IMPACT THE WORLD?

Christ calls us to impact the world. Sometimes it can seem difficult to do so in our hectic family schedules. Hosting an exchange student brings the world to you! Not only our Chapelgate Christian Academy families but also our surrounding Christian community are being encouraged to consider being a host family for an international student for this coming school year. You do not have to have a student at the Academy in order to be a host family. We have Chapelgate Academy families, Christian families who home school, and Christian families who have students in public school that have all participated in this ministry. When a family hosts an international student they are given a monthly stipend to help cover the cost of food and transportation, so please don't let money keep you from hosting. Contact Amy Frierson, amylaurel6@aol.com as soon as possible if this is something your family would like to be part of or if you would like to learn more about this program.

Missional Communities

Take a look at the groups below. Or check them out [here](#). **Missional Communities will not meet on August 1 and September 5.** Come and get acquainted with a group next week.

9:00 AM:

Fusion (Young & Growing Families) meets in Rooms 214/215, Teaching: Steve Dallwig, "Highlights in Genesis"; *Please note the new location.*

LIGHT (Open to all ages & stages of life) meets in Rooms 212/213, Teaching: Bruce Adams "Counterfeit Gods"

Odyssey (young single & married adults) meets in the Office Gathering Room, Leaders: Jeremy & Vanessa Bergolios; Teaching: Leland Saunders, "Contemporary Moral Issues"

10:30 AM:

Generations (open to all ages) meets in Rooms 212/213. Leader: John Martin, Teaching: Richard Loper

SOAR (a community of our 55 & better crowd) meets in Rooms 214/215.

NOTE: Contact each Missional Community for variations in teaching schedules. **Please note that Missional Communities will not meet on August 1 and September 5.**