

January 7, 2024

# WELCOME



Welcome to The Chapel - we're so glad you're here! Stop by our Resource Center in the lobby to find out more about how to get involved. Connection Cards and information about God's free gift of salvation are in the back of each pew.

**TODAY'S SCRIPTURE:** Genesis 1:1

**SETLIST:** *This is Our God*  
*This is My Father's World*  
*What a Beautiful Name (Angus Dei)*  
*Is He Worthy*



# WE ARE THE CHURCH



As we enter the new year, let's remember our true identity in Christ: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:14-16

Happy new year, church!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

### TODAY

#### COMMUNION TODAY

Please pick up elements at Worship Center doors. Gluten-free elements are available near the elevator.

### COMING SOON

#### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Beginning Tuesday, January 16  
9:30 - 11:30am (with childcare)  
6:30 - 8:30pm (no childcare)

No matter where you are in your walk with the Lord, come dive into God's Word with us.

#### MIDWEEK CLASSES

Beginning Wednesday, January 17  
6:30 - 8pm

Two 6-week sessions. Choose one class per session, plus Membership Class starts Feb. 28. Kids programming available for nursery - 5th grade.

#### BAPTISM CLASSES

January 21  
Adults: 9am, Room 153  
Children & Youth: 10:40am, Room 352

This class is required for any person seeking to be baptized at The Chapel.

**Find more information and to register, visit the Events page of our website.**

#### WINTER BLAST

Next Sunday, January 14  
6:30 - 9pm, Lock 3

Join us for a FREE family fun event at Lock 3 in downtown Akron. Enjoy ice skating, bumper cars, outdoor putt-putt and more.

Meals are \$6 and snacks/beverages available for \$4 or less.

*\*High School will be attending Winter Blast instead of meeting at The Chapel.*

#### 2024 CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY

Now through Jan. 21

Please take a few minutes to complete our survey to help us gauge the congregation's perspective on how things are going at our church. A link to the survey was included in the January newsletter and is also available on our Events page. Deadline for completion is Sunday, Jan. 21. We appreciate your feedback!

#### ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING

Sunday, Jan. 28, 12:15pm

Plan on staying after services for our annual member meeting where we will present the financial report for Fiscal Year 2022-'23, hold a member vote to affirm Michael Smith as a new elder and give a recap of how God has been working in our church. Members and attendees are welcome to attend.

**SCAN HERE TO VIEW OUR EVENTS PAGE FROM YOUR PHONE**



I don't know how we can fully abide in Christ without daily time in His Word and in prayer.

- Denny Adams

#### VOLUNTEER NEED: FIR HILL RECEPTIONISTS

Our First Impressions Ministry is looking for people to volunteer at the Fir Hill Desk. Tues. - Fri. shifts, 9am - Noon, Noon - 3pm, 3 - 5pm.

If you can help, please contact [jeremy.poundstone@thechapel.life](mailto:jeremy.poundstone@thechapel.life)

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**SERMON NOTES**

**IN THE BEGINNING...**

*Genesis 1:1*

*Tim Marrero*

*01.07.24*

Lined area for sermon notes, consisting of 20 horizontal lines.