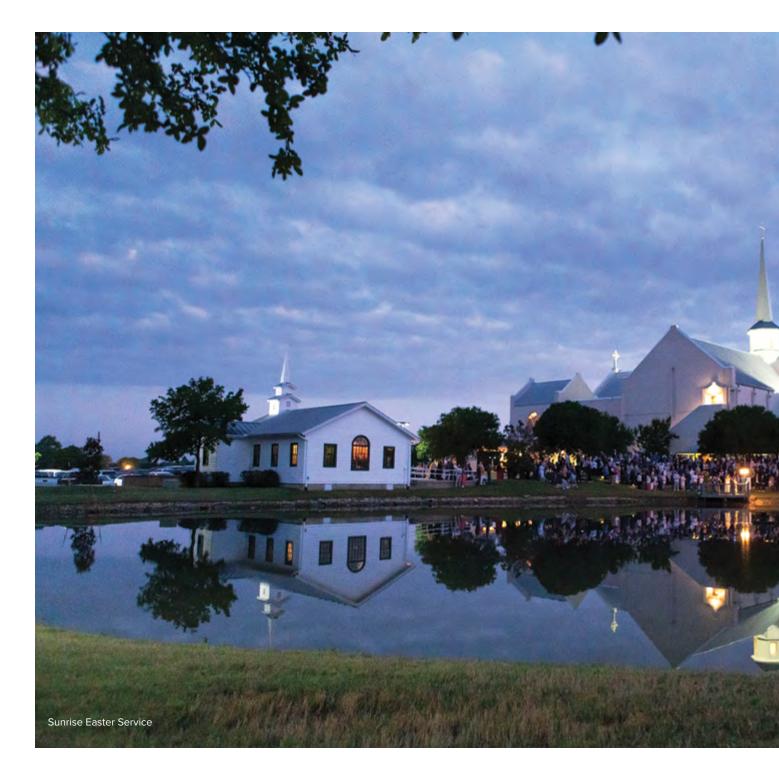


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# ABOUT WHITE'S CHAPEL

# A BRIEF HISTORY

More than 150 years ago, settlers from Rising Fawn, Georgia traveled by wagon train to establish a church out west. The group settled in the area and, in 1871, began meeting as Oak Hill Methodist Episcopal Church South.

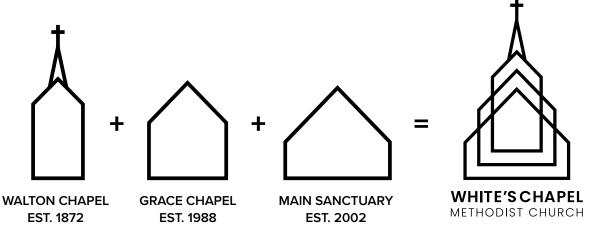
As the first Methodist congregation in northeast Tarrant County, the church welcomed traveling preachers (known as Circuit Riders). Rev. Lewis M. White was the most popular. Under his leadership, the church blossomed and came to be known by his name. Every week, people were showing up at "White's Chapel."

Since then, the church and the surrounding community have significantly grown. God has faithfully used the people of White's Chapel to share the Gospel throughout the years. The same pioneering spirit that the church was founded on continues today, and though times have changed, our need for the Gospel of Jesus Christ hasn't. That's why WC is a church "Where Tradition Meets Today!"



# **OUR LOGO**

2022 brought on a lot of changes, including a church-wide rebrand. While leaders wanted a clean and modern look, the history of White's Chapel also played a major role when considering the visual identity of the church. Over the years, White's Chapel has become a big church with a 'small church feel.' The three steeples seen across campus today not only represent the growth of the church but they also represent God's faithfulness to many generations of believers. That is our hope—to continue to be a place where God's grace, love and presence are evident.



# WHITE'S CHAPEL IS A CHURCH WHERE...

- It's all about Jesus.
- Real people make genuine connections.
- Grace is a lifestyle.
- It's okay not to be okay.
- Everyone has a place:
   From the lifelong believer to the un-churched, de-churched, curious, and nominally religious.

# **OUR VISION**

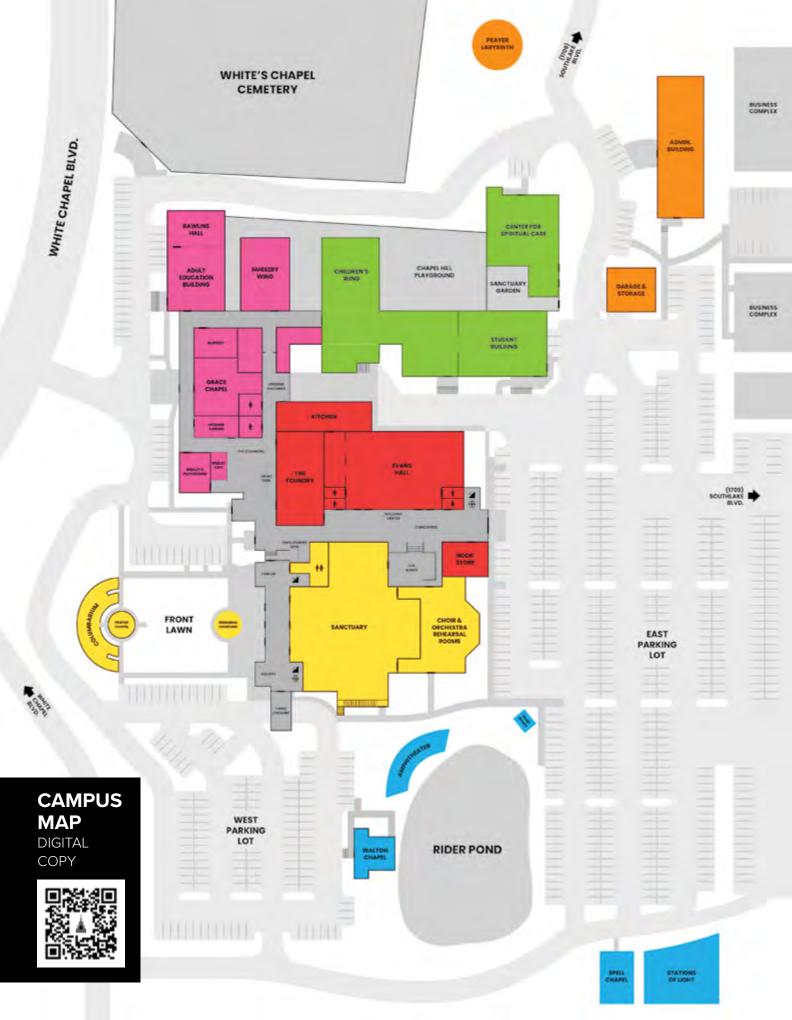
To make disciples by:

- Engaging the Heart
- Stirring the Soul
- Challenging the Mind
- Connecting the Body



# WHITE'S CHAPEL TODAY

Drs. John McKellar & Todd Renner currently serve the church as our co-pastors. They have led the congregation through both difficult times and joyful milestones. Through weekly discipleship classes, Bible studies, worship, community groups, and missions, White's Chapel continues to serve people in a variety of ways. All of these areas are tied together with a single mission: To make more deeply committed followers of the way of Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:19). It is a call that drives the church to maintain the 'small church feel' that has described the ministry of White's Chapel from its inception—being a church of real people making a real difference.





FALL



# CIRCUIT WRITERS BOOKSTORE

**CLOSED FRIDAY & SATURDAY** 

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# WESLEY'S PLAYGROUND

FOR CHILDREN 11 YEARS OLD OR YOUNGER

(LOCATED AT WESLEY CAFE)



# **WESLEY CAFE**

COFFEE, TEA & PASTRIES ON CAMPUS

SUN8	A.M12:30 P.M.
MON. & TUES8	A.M5 P.M.
WED8	A.M7 P.M.
THURS7	A.M5 P.M.
FRI8	A.M1 P.M.
SAT4	-6:30 P.M.

# WORSHIP





At White's Chapel, we believe worship presents a chance to humble ourselves before God. It's a choice to let go of our worries and burdens to worship the Lord—for He is worthy of our praise!

The church is fortunate to have exceptionally vibrant and distinct music and worship ministries.

Our many services are listed below.

#### SATURDAY SERVICE

Contemporary Worship 5:30 p.m. | The Foundry

Grace Zeller | gzeller@whiteschapel.org

# **SUNDAY SERVICES**

**Traditional Worship** 

8:20 a.m. | The Sanctuary

Shaunna Fuller | sfuller@whiteschapel.org

**Contemporary Worship** 

9:30 a.m. | The Sanctuary

Clint Blalock | cblalock@whiteschapel.org

**Founders Service** 

9:30 a.m. | Walton Chapel

founderschapel@whiteschapel.org

**Contemporary Service** 

11 a.m. | The Foundry

Clint Blalock | cblalock@whiteschapel.org

**Foundation Service** 

11 a.m. | The Sanctuary

Shaunna Fuller | sfuller@whiteschapel.org



# WC CHOIR & ORCHESTRA

The WC Choir and Orchestra are made up of many talented church members and volunteers. Their efforts truly make worship a unique and moving experience.

## **Chancel Choir**

Whether you sing five notes or five octaves, there is a place for everyone in the WC choir. Auditions are not necessary, just a love for God and music. Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Choir Rehearsal Hall, and/or Sunday mornings from 9:30 to 10:20 a.m. in the Ensemble Room.

## Orchestra

Experienced adult instrumentalists and advanced high school players are welcome to join the WC Orchestra. Rehearsals are Sunday mornings from 9:30 to 10:50 a.m. in the Music Rehearsal Hall.

Shaunna Fuller | Worship and Music Co-Director sfuller@whiteschapel.org

"Worship is what we were made for. Of course, it's what God wants us to do... but it's also the most fulfilling thing we can do. When we respond to God with everything we are, it overflows into every moment of our lives. Then every day is a little Easter, and every breath is a hallelujah!"

Clint Blalock | Worship and Music Co-Director <u>cblalock@whiteschapel.org</u>



# CHILDREN'S CHOIRS & HANDBELLS

Participants of these programs not only enjoy developing Christian leadership through music, but they are also given a place to connect with each other, be creative, and contribute to the church community.

# Joyful Noise

This "grown-up and me" music class is for the youngest musicians to build an early love of music through movement, rhythm, singing, and more.

Sarah Bryson sbryson@whiteschapel.org

#### **Kids Praise**

Four year olds and kindergarten students learn introductory singing skills at this music-making experience. Singers explore classroom instruments and praise the Lord through song. This choir is featured during the Christmas Eve service.

Sarah Bryson | sbryson@whiteschapel.org

#### Crescendo!

Singers in first through sixth grade experience the world of music through Orff and percussion instruments, handbells, recorders, and singing. Biblical stories come alive through this offering!

Sarah Bryson | sbryson@whiteschapel.org

### Cantaré

Cantaré is a youth choir for fourth through 12th grade students who love to sing. In this choir, students sing inspiring music while developing their vocal and musical skills. They learn the art of teamwork and develop performance confidence as they sing at White's Chapel. The group sings a wide variety of musical styles from worship, Broadway, pop, and choral. While prior musical training is not necessary, an audition is required. For more information, visit Cantaretx.com.

Teresa Hughes | thughes@whiteschapel.org

## Handbells

All WC handbell choirs participate in worship, special concerts, and national and local festivals. The handbell choirs are specific to experience and level of musical skill, and they are open to new members throughout the year.

Arnold Rawls | arawls@whiteschapel.org



# THE HE[ART] OF WORSHIP

Scan the code below to listen to the interview!



#### BY DEBBIE MCKELLAR

Worship is the heart of White's Chapel—it is the reason the church exists. Before the ministries, before the programming, before the Bible studies, before community outreach... we worship.

As a result, worship at White's Chapel is carefully and prayerfully planned. This story gives you an inside glimpse at the process that occurs prior to each worship service at the church.

I thought it would be interesting to interview the six people who have the biggest input to the planning of our worship. The complete interview is available in a podcast entitled "Worship: Behind the Scenes," available on the church website. I have taken excerpts from that interview for this story.

Debbie McKellar: Having been a minister's daughter for my entire life and then a minister's wife, I know that many people think that a minister's work might be a couple of days a week. People never realize that, well, especially at White's Chapel... worship does not just happen; it is very intentional. And I know that a great deal of planning goes on behind the scenes.

> We're sitting here talking today to the six people who are the most instrumental in making worship at White's Chapel the special, special experience that it is. So I would like to introduce you to our Co-Pastors John McKellar and Todd Renner, as well as Rev. Sam Robbins, and then our worship leaders, Shaunna Fuller, Clint Blalock, and Grace Zeller. All of these six people really work diligently every week to bring the worship experience to White's Chapel. I'm hoping that you'll get an idea of some of their experiences and what goes on behind the scenes.



# How do each of you approach planning for worship? Who wants to go first?

Dr. John McKellar: Can I go first? I'm sure Todd is going to

step on my foot.

Debbie McKellar: That's why I separated you two.

Dr. John McKellar: Okay. Before we get to the specifics

of worship planning, there are a whole lot of steps that have gone on to get to that. I mean, even before we tackle it—and Todd, you jump in and help me—but six months at a time, we craft basically the themes, the topics that we're going to be [focusing on], the series that we're going to have. And we start at the very beginning by what we call exegeting the community. Where are we in life? What needs to be addressed with what's going on? And so then we have a retreat in which sermon series are put together. Then, once those get together, we do a thing called scopes, which lays out the series that we have. So ideas jump in. Todd, you jump in [with] ideas about that.

Dr. Todd Renner: Then a mood and a landing point.

[The] landing point is what we hope folks leave with. What's the main idea? What is the mood of the day? Then the worship team has those, and then we [begin to] meet once a week and that

starts.

Dr. John McKellar: So there's been six months of work

[that] goes on before we tackle the

week of.

Debbie McKellar: Everybody else put a jump on that one.

Clint Blalock: Sure. So like John was saying, they're

exegeting the community, which takes

a lot of time and prep.



Debbie McKellar: To everyone who does not

understand... what exactly does

exegeting mean?

Clint Blalock:

So, it's gathering the information you need from a resource without reading into it with your own personal biases. The idea of exegeting communitycorrect me if I'm wrong-is really establishing where the congregationour community—is. What sort of things we are wrestling with and dealing with, and how we can best speak to those situations in a way that gives them the resources they need to be representatives of Christ in their own personal communities and work and families and all of the sort of situations that they will find themselves and want to make sure that they don't go into that empty handed or without the right resources.

So as John and Todd are creating worship series that we're going to be working on as a worship team, we're kind of doing a similar thing where we're looking at the breadth of human experience. And asking what [we can] do to provide good resources for our



Clint Blalock:

congregation so that whenever they're joyful, they know how to rejoice in a wonderfully accurate, Biblical way. Whenever they're lamenting, how do we give them a vocabulary to know how to lament in a way that doesn't reject or jettison their faith, but they can hold onto it and lean into God even more, more helpfully? And so we try to approach our worship from the music side of are we giving them good resources? There's a phrase I'm going to pull out of a book I've been reading recently called "The Worship Pastor" that says part of our call is to be a theological dietitian. The idea is to create healthy, balanced meals of worship so that when people find themselves in any, you know, part of their life, that where they don't know how to articulate it, they've got at least a basic understanding of how do I express my sorrow to God? How do I express my longing, how do I express the anxiety or fear [or the joy] that I'm dealing with...

So just giving them a chance to experience that in worship is a really helpful way of giving them the opportunity to be ready for it when they face it. And there's not a pastor

right next to them—where there's not a, you know, a church pianist that can play a beautiful thing for them. They need to be able to kind of do that for themselves, right?

Dr. Todd Renner:

So, what I'm always... overwhelmed by-and I shouldn't be surprised by it, but I am—is just how the Holy Spirit moves, you know, because starting six months out, this whole process is bathed in prayer every worship meeting, every time we get together to talk about sermon series or Scriptures, it always begins or always ends with prayer. It ends with us asking the Lord to please lead us. "Would you lead us into what your people need to hear, what they need to experience? And don't let it be about us... to in fact, get us out of the way. Help us to decrease that [which] You would increase." And what amazes me-and like I said, it shouldn't—it shouldn't surprise me that God answers that prayer. But how a series or a Scripture that's picked six months out, come the week of, it is just right. It is right on top of what's going on in the world, in the community, in our lives. And how songs that we have that maybe we picked three weeks out... is exactly what I need to hear. It's exactly

what my wife needs to hear. It's exactly what the family, you know, 15 rows behind me... [what] they need to hear. It's how the Lord answers that prayer, that consistent prayer of God: "You do Your thing, you know, we're here to experience You and to be changed by You." And that's why I love to get to be just a part of just being... a tool in God's work belt, you know, just to be deployed.

Shaunna Fuller:

And the only thing that I'd add is that so often—and Pastor John and I talk about this from paper to productionthe anointing happens and you can feel it. It's like we will sit there with the whiteboard and we think it's going to go a certain way. And then all of a sudden, it just is on fire. Come Sunday morning, when all the elements come together, bathed in prayer—like you said—and all of a sudden, the Holy Spirit anoints it. And wow, it's really goose-bump exciting, inspiring and transforming.

Rev. Sam Robbins: Yeah, I hope people know that, that it's not just something that's bottled that you can just reproduce. You know, it's not. We put a lot of work into it and it is packaged well and we try and, you know, produce it well and [to] be excellent in everything that we do. But also there is, I mean, the X factor is always God. It's the Spirit. And you just trust that God's going to use our offering. I mean, I'm sure John and Todd would say this, all of our pastors and all of our worship musicians... that I've had times where I preach a sermon and I think it's a disaster or a service goes kind of awry. And it wasn't what we thought, and yet it was super meaningful to somebody. And, you know, I've had—we had a service not too, too long ago that just we just had a lot of hiccups and had a family come up to me afterwards and we had this really powerful conversation. And it was borne out of the service. And, you know, the X factor is God and God is

God is at work. I hope people in our congregation can sense that. And, in every service, that it's the Spirit really pushing us.

Most people can probably think back on a particularly special worship experience. Could you or would you describe your most powerful personal worship experience?

Debbie McKellar: Grace, you want to start?

Grace Zeller: Yeah. I'll start. So when I was thinking about this, I thought of my first one ever, where I really experienced God speaking to me and I was overwhelmed with the Holy Spirit. And it's funny, it was in sixth grade. I went with a friend to a Mercy Me concert... I know Mercy Me, a classic. And we're sitting there, we've got halfway through the concert and... they play "I Can Only Imagine." I sung that for my grandfather's funeral... so the song just means a lot to me. But I was just overwhelmed... and I felt a feeling over me, a Holy Spirit feeling. I started crying and I was embarrassed and I was like, what's happening? But that was... one of the first moments I [knew] God is with me. He's with me in music. He's with me in the Word. He's



Grace Zeller: with me anywhere. And from there, I started feeling that in all worship music... every worship experience for me is that. I really try to lean into the Holy Spirit every time I'm singing something or experiencing something with someone else through music. And for me, the second the music starts, and especially if it's Christian contemporary, it's so special for me and I really can kind of go back to that moment where I knew God is with me in this.

Debbie McKellar: Who else wants to jump in?

Dr. Todd Renner: There are so many of them that kind of come to my mind... One of the things are two of the moments I really look forward to every year. Maundy Thursday services always are for some reason really powerful, more powerful—I think just because everything is stripped away and you're so confronted, right in your face and in an inescapable sort of way, just the amazing love and the lengths that God goes to love us. Got



to say, I love the midnight service on Christmas Eve. A couple of years ago, it was snowing. Pastor John got his prayer answered. It was snowing. We were serving communion. We had preached something like 14 services that day. The Christmas bells were ringing because we, you know, cued them up on the steeple. And it was—you just have this sense of "it's Christmas" and all that, all that pressure all that stress, all the anxiety of preaching and worrying and carrying a community on your shoulders... I think the one that's maybe the most powerful to me is just in a really dark moment in my life. Again, singing songs just by myself and praying and pouring out my heart. And I had this vision of God just holding me. There was this one shirt that I loved because I thought I looked really good in it back in high school, like back in my most rebellious of days. Expensive. Yeah. Yeah, I saved up. I saved up all my... money, bought me this sweet looking shirt. It was plaid and had a navy blue collar, right? And that was the one. I would always wear that to parties or to wear that out on dates.

Like I said, this is like my most rebellious season. And in this image, whenever I was going through this terrible time just in life and being overwhelmed, in over my head, I had this picture of God cradling me like a baby, but it wasn't like an infant me. It was an adolescent me. And the thing I remember is I was wearing that shirt. So in this picture, in my mind, in this picture, I truly believe was Holy Spirit led, the me that God was loving on wasn't me as an infant and pure and unblemished. It wasn't me in my ministerial robes, my preaching gown or anything. God chose to give me this image that He chose to love me at my most rebellious... at those times, whenever I don't love me from back in that day. And yet, the Almighty is like, "You know what, though? You might not be even able to, [but] Todd, I can love that kid."



Shaunna Fuller: I've been leading worship since I was 15. So when you asked this question, Debbie, I had like just a kaleidoscope of experiences... but two jumped out. One just happened. And it was when Hayden Whitehead led worship on Senior Sunday this year: We have had Seniors sing in that Senior Sunday for decades, but he's the first one to lead worship. And it was such a high point with [he] and his brother... and Ava was there [to] harmonize.. that told me that we are doing [something right]. Grace is evidence of what we're doing because Grace grew up in the church and I remember the first time you came and sang on our chancel, you know, third grade.

> ... Anyway, that's such an affirmation and confirmation. But that's what we're trying to do is raise up worship leaders. And then, besides Hayden and Harrison, it was the Vatican. When we got there [at the] Vatican a couple of years ago, the bishop had asked us to help anchor a choir to go on the Footsteps of Saint

Paul [trip]. We're sitting in a small room with several, probably a dozen. And the bishop said, "We're going to start in Rome, you know, to go to Greece and everything." And I said, "Well, if we're going to start in Rome, I'm going to try to get the Vatican for the choir to sing in." And we all laughed. I laughed just as loud as everyone else. But I mean, the choir [had] sung at Notre-Dame before the fire, of course, and the National Cathedral and Carnegie Hall. We've sung so many places and so the Vatican would be like the cherry on the sundae, the ultimate. And sure enough, it sounds like the beginning of a bad joke. But... I wrote letters to two priests, two cardinals, a nun, and the pope and sent them recordings of our choir. And it was the nun who got us into the Vatican. God bless her. And that was a funny story. She answered the phone and she was a French nun. And I went to the music conservatory in France. So I still [speak] a little bit. And so we were speaking a little French, and she said, "Oh, Shaunna, I'm so sorry. I don't know



Dr. John McKellar:

I think of the great verse in John 11 when Jesus arrives at Lazarus' tomb, and it says "Jesus wept." We want worship to have heart. We want people to feel it's the best service when you laugh and you cry, and you had the whole gamut of human emotions. I know that was shocking. In the ancient world, the Greeks couldn't imagine a God and a Savior that wept and cried and felt. And vet. I think that feeling of emotions is really important behind everything that we try to do.

Rev. Sam Robbins:

Well, I did my homework, Miss Debbie. I went through a few and, obviously, there's so many great Psalms to choose from. So many times David is overcome with emotion, but the one I picked was Colossians 3, and I've used this. I use this in a lot of weddings. And so which, you know, I always tell couples that weddings are worship services. It's not just you know, this this kind of quick thing... it's that we're inviting God into this marriage. So this is one I've used in a lot of ceremonies and it's Colossians 3:16-17, which says "let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts, sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." And I love that Scripture because Paul is writing that from prison... We worship out of a sense of gratitude. God has done so much and been so good... what other option do we have but to worship? That's all we can do. And so I just love that he says "with a grateful heart, sing songs, sing Psalms and hymns and spiritual songs and rejoice..." Because to me, that's my personal understanding of what worship is.

Shaunna Fuller:

anyone at the Vatican." And I said, "Well, sister, I'm praying and I won't be surprised if someone walks in the door." And that's what happened. Someone walked in the door. She made the connection we got. [The door was only open for] one day. And we got it. I was sitting in a worship planning meeting when I opened the email and started squealing and screaming, "Oh my gosh, we got the Vatican." So I told the choir everyone they know could be invited to come sing with us because they were a Methodist choir... and what a privilege to sing... in Rome at St. Peter's for Mass. And so we had 266 singers join us from all over the world. And it was a moment, and I know you all were there, and I'm so glad that we all shared it together. So that was probably one of those most powerful moments.

Debbie McKellar:

Alright... We're going to kind of change

this up a little bit.

If you had to pick one, what would be your favorite worship verse from the Bible? And why?

Shaunna Fuller:

I know. I love that. The verse that's always been special to me is Zephaniah 3:17. You know that... the Lord, your God is with you... no matter who's against you. He's a mighty warrior who saves. He takes great delight in you; and in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing. I love the image of God and rejoice in Him singing over us and [in our] adding our songs to His.

Dr. John McKellar:

I want to jump in because I want to brag. One of the things that is really amazing to me that I think sets us apart from some other places is that every one of these worship leaders has great talents and great abilities to channel the Spirit, right? But when you get to know them, they're even greater people. They practice what they preach. There's an authenticity, there's a heart, there's realness. And I think, unfortunately, Todd, we watch a lot of other kind of worship places. It becomes more about the performance. And we know that there's some people that don't

always practice what they preach in the same way, here is the real deal... And so when I see these amazingly amazing human beings that God has gifted in such a way, it's just even better knowing that that's who they really are.

Dr. Todd Renner: Amen to that.

## THE HE[ART] OF WORSHIP

The original interview, in its entirety, may be accessed by scanning the QR Code below.





# A YEAR AT THE CHURCH

# **FALL EVENTS**

August kicks off an exciting time on campus. As school starts again, so does fall programming. Upcoming events are typically presented at a WC Open House, and Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinners resume to provide a warm meal and a family-friendly atmosphere in the midst of the busy season. Weekly offerings and programming are offered once again for each age group.

### Third Grade Bible Presentation

The Third Grade Bible Presentation is a special recognition for young students during the 9:30 a.m. worship service. It's a White's Chapel tradition to present Bibles to third grade students as a statement to their growing faith.

Hannah Robbins | WC Kids Co-Director hrobbins@whiteschapel.org

#### Confirmation

Confirmation is an opportunity for sixth through 12th grade students to "confirm" the faith handed down to them by their families. Offered during both semesters, Confirmation guides each student in professing their belief in Jesus Christ, exploring the Christian faith, and helping them understand what it means to be a full member of White's Chapel Methodist Church. At the end of the program, students are welcomed into full membership.

Denise Bennett | WC Kids Co-Director dbennett@whiteschapel.org

# Blessing of the Animals

Alongside many other Christian denominations around the world, White's Chapel celebrates the important role pets play in our lives through a Blessing of the Animals. St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint for animals, is credited with this well-known practice. At White's Chapel, Blessing of the Animals is usually recognized within the same month of St. Francis' Feast Day. Over the years, pastors have blessed dogs, cats, horses, snakes, lizards, birds, hamsters, and many more!

# Thanksgiving Food Boxes

As a church, there is a lot to be thankful for around Thanksgiving, and we strive to share what we have with those around us. Along with dedicated volunteers, the WC Missions and Outreach Team gathers supplies for Thanksgiving Food Boxes to deliver to families in need of food for Thanksgiving. This event typically encourages both church and community members.



# CHRISTMAS EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

The Christmas season brings joy, music, and excitement to campus events and worship services. Each offering focuses on the Newborn King!

#### WC Christmas Festival

The WC Christmas Festival kicks off Christmas events at the church. It's a great opportunity for families to gather for live nativities, games, rides, food, face painting, a petting zoo, and lots of holiday spirit. The evening usually concludes with a fantastic fireworks display.

# **Musical Offerings**

Events such as An Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing, the Sounds of the Season concert, and Christmas Carols, Cookies & Cocoa are heart-warming opportunities for people to embrace Christmas classics. The Christmas Worship Experience, the annual WC Christmas program, uses music, reenactments, Scripture readings, and media elements to share the joy of the Christmas story. The church also hosts other organizations during this time. In the sanctuary, Christmas programs are offered by local school choirs and the APEX Arts League.

# **Special Traditions**

The Angel Tree Forest is a long-standing tradition at White's Chapel. Instead of just one 'angel tree' for people to donate Christmas gifts, the church offers a whole forest of trees featuring individual and/or family names. Angel Trees are typically available in the concourse, art gallery, commons, and WC Kids hallway in November.

The WC Trains, a miniature train display featuring Southlake Town Square and the church, is a must-see for people of all ages. Running at various times throughout the season, the WC Trains schedule is typically posted in November.

WC Trains | wctrains.com





## **Christmas Eve Services**

The season of Advent concludes with a beautiful celebration of the birth of Jesus. Multiple candlelight services are offered on Christmas Eve for friends, family and loved ones to worship the Savior together. Service times are typically posted on the church website in early November.

# SPRING EVENTS

Spring brings a calm sense of renewal—as we see new growth in both the plants on campus and in the hearts of church members. New studies are planned and offered, and events are planned for the coming months.

"As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him; for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust."

Psalm 103: 13-14 (NIV)

# THE LENTEN SEASON

Each year, the White's Chapel copastors create a 40-day Lenten devotional for church and community members to read together. The theme changes from year to year but the focus remains on Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

# Ash Wednesday

On Ash Wednesday, people across the world quiet their lives to recognize their sins and prepare for the 40-day journey to Easter. White's Chapel offers two Ash Wednesday services for people to attend. Each service consists of meditation, worship and the imposition of ashes. The ash cross, put on one's forehead, is an outward sign of repentance. This tradition means so much to so many people. It is a humbling act, recognizing that Jesus died for our sins.





# **HOLY WEEK**

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday and includes Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Throughout the week, the church provides daily meditation opportunities for people to quiet their minds and focus on God's presence. Please view the website for a complete list of offerings.

# Palm Sunday

The Sunday before Easter is celebrated with the waving of palm branches for Jesus' Triumphal Entry. Children, students and adults volunteer to dress up in clothing similar to Jesus' time. They wave branches and shout "Hosanna!" to announce Jesus' arrival. Often times, animals are carried into the sanctuary as well. After the townspeople have announced His arrival, a volunteer comes into the sanctuary dressed as Jesus. This is to remember how Jesus was welcomed into Jerusalem.

"They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

John 12:13 (NIV)

# Maundy Thursday & Good Friday

Perhaps one of the most impactful days of Holy Week is Maundy Thursday. It depicts Jesus' last meal with the disciples and Judas' betrayal. The Maundy Thursday service combines media, music and reenactments to present Jesus' last hours. Through intense but family-friendly visual aspects, Jesus is depicted on the cross. Everyone walks out of the service in silence, reflecting on the emotional aspects of Jesus' life, His death and His ministry. On Good Friday, come-and-go prayer is offered on campus. The mood is still sorrowful, and people are reflective.

# EASTER EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

After journeying through the 40 days of Lent, Easter offers a joyful celebration as we recognize the incredible miracle of Easter! Jesus Christ is risen, and we share His love with the world for the rest of our days!

### **Easter Services**

During Easter weekend, we rejoice in the Risen Lord! Lilies, given in honor or in remembrance of loved ones, adorn the altar next to an open tomb. Triumphant music is played during worship and a timely message is presented by our co-pastors. It's a joyful service that usually ends with everyone singing "Oh Happy Day," a popular hymn led by WC Worship Leader Ken Nelson.





# Easter Eggstravaganza

This family-fun come-and-go event is for community members to enjoy before Easter Sunday. Easter Eggstravaganza offers fun games, egg hunts, treats, and the Easter story. This exciting opportunity is available for kids in fourth grade or younger.

# SUMMER EVENTS

When school is officially out, summer programming is officially in at White's Chapel!

#### WC Kids Fun Run

WC Kids hosts an annual Fun Run with the goal of raising money for Heifer International. Participants bring their friends, family, children, and dogs to walk or run to the finish line! It's not just for race enthusiasts; all runners, walkers and joggers are welcome. There are fun, interactive stations along the way as well as a petting zoo.



# Senior Sunday

Before summer is in full swing, the church honors graduating seniors on Senior Recognition Sunday. Graduates come dressed in their caps and gowns to process into the 11 a.m. service. Then, the seniors are recognized and prayed over before meeting outside for pictures.

# **Summer Staples**

White's Chapel summer staples and programs include VBS/VBX, Classic Adult Fellowship VBS (for those 55+), mission trips with WC Students, volunteer opportunities with WC Missions and Outreach, summer camps with Arts Academy, performances by WC Theater students, events with WC Men and Women, and special services for Patriotic Weekend. Patriotic Weekend, typically celebrated around July 4, offers a timely message, seasonal music, recognition of military service, and brunch on Sunday morning.

To stay up-to-date on these and other events, please visit whiteschapel.org.

# BRUNCH IS AVAILABLE FROM 8 A.M. TO 1 P.M. DURING THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY SERVICES:

- Christmas Worship Experience
- Palm Sunday
- Patriotic Weekend





# HOSPITALITY

Every time we meet for worship, our pastors and staff pray for and prepare to welcome each guest. Volunteers are often needed to help serve alongside these various ministries. From the moment you step on campus, you are greeted by friendly faces!



# **Hospitality Team**

The Hospitality Team works to provide a safe, warm and spirit-filled atmosphere for all guests and church members. Before people step out of their car on Sunday mornings, parking lot volunteers help direct traffic with a smile. Then, golf cart drivers pick up families and drop them off at the door, where they are able to meet friends and attend worship services.

Altar Angels decorate worship spaces and the commons area for special events and holidays. Because of their efforts, spaces around campus are up-to-date with seasonal elements. Each weekend, pastors and staff members pray for the individuals who will come on campus, either attending worship or attending a community event hosted at the church.

Altar Angels

Martha Blue | marthahblue@gmail.com
Julie Potter | potterjulie1@gmail.com

Dorothea Christ | Involvement Director dchrist@whiteschapel.org



# Kitchen Support Team

White's Chapel is lucky to have a fantastic team of cooks and chefs on campus! They help provide meals for Sunday mornings, Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinners, select Bible studies, and special events. Burrito Ministry volunteers also offer tasty morning treats for sale in Evans Hall on Sunday mornings. Volunteers are often needed to help serve during the week or weekend.

WC Kitchen
Joey Pecararo
Chef, Hospitality & Food Services Manager
jpecararo@whiteschapel.org

# Worship Support Team

Acolytes play a special role by symbolically bringing in and carrying out the light of Christ each Sunday morning. In the traditional worship service, they lead the procession of pastors and light the Christ candle, displayed on the altar. Children in fourth grade or older are welcome to join the team after a short one-on-one training. Each weekend, ushers welcome and guide people into each worship space. More than just presenting people with a bulletin and directing them toward a seat, ushers offer a friendly smile to guests and church members. They also help direct crowds during busy holiday weekends. The communion team provides support for pastors during communion.

Acolyte Coordinators acolytewc@gmail.org

Robyn Olson | robyncolson1@gmail.com

Greeters info@whiteschapel.org

"So we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another."

Romans 12:5 (ESV)

# A PLACE FOR THE COMMUNITY



White's Chapel is not only a space for church members, it's also a space for community members. People and organizations across the DFW Metroplex regularly use spaces on campus to host speaking events, offer support, prepare for job interviews, learn life skills, showcase talent, and improve health.

It's our hope that while people are on campus for a meeting or special event, they encounter a warm and welcoming atmosphere. We pray that the Holy Spirit surrounds each person with peace and love while they are here—and if they need a church home, they feel they can come back to White's Chapel.

Outside Events Tracy Christensen | Adult Discipleship Director tchristensen@whiteschapel.org

# ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

To be a disciple of Jesus Christ means that we understand ourselves and our on-going, ever-deepening journeys of faith through the eyes of a student. To meet the community's need for transformation, the church offers Bible studies, classes, and programs for people of all ages and interests.

# **Sunday School**

Having a community of faith is an important part of spiritual growth. Adult Sunday School classes are a great place for people to discuss Scripture, share experiences and support one another. Groups are often made up of people in similar life stages and meet at either 9:30 or 11 a.m. to discuss a variety of topics. People can join a Sunday School class at any time.

# 9:30 a.m. Classes

Christian Family Class

Adult Education Room 3201

Empty Nesters Class
Adult Education Room 3103

Faithbuilders Class Evans Hall Room 2129

Fellowship Class
Evans Hall Room 2235

God's Special Servants (GSS) Adult Education Room 3202

The Vine Class
Evans Hall Room 2233

Open Door Class
Center for Spiritual Care Living Room

Single Together Singles Class Evans Hall Room 2234

Suburban Singles Class Adult Education Room 3203

Trinity Class
Evans Hall Room 3102

Wesley Class Evans Hall Room 2130



"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."

Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

#### 11 a.m. Classes

Faith & Family Enrichment Class Adult Education Room 3204

Young Couples Class (with or without children) Evans Hall Room 2234

The Week Ahead Class
Adult Education Room 2236

New Sunday School classes are created as needed. If you would like to start a new group, please contact Tracy Christensen.

Tracy Christensen | Adult Discipleship Director tchristensen@whiteschapel.org

# General Studies & Classes

There are many different studies offered at the church. Studies usually center around Scripture, books, spiritual practices, life experiences, and/or other topics of interest.

Recurring studies led by the copastors include: JumpStart Bible Study, Tuesday Morning Pastors' Bible Study, and Point I Counterpoint. Baptism 101, a class that outlines the church's understanding of baptism and the process, is also offered at various times during each semester and is led by associate pastors. For the most up-to-date list of offerings and event dates, please view the Adult Programming Guide.

# **Community Groups**

At White's Chapel, small groups meet year-round with the goal to become more like Jesus through serving, praying, encouraging, loving, and studying Scripture. Community Groups exist to foster relationships and make disciples.

The purpose of Community Groups is for people to become more like Jesus by offering a community of support. People are encouraged to find a small group to share their life and experiences with, just as Jesus did with His disciples. This fosters spiritual growth and creates genuine relationships.

Current groups consist of women, men, couples, and co-eds in each stage of life. Newly-formed groups will start with a Community Group Kick-off Curriculum and spend the first eight weeks meeting on campus before moving to an off-campus location. Participants can create a group by getting seven other church or community members together, or they can participate as individuals. People can join a group at any time.

To get connected with a current Adult Discipleship study, or Community Group, please call the church office or contact Tracy Christensen.

Tracy Christensen | Adult Discipleship Director | tchristensen@whiteschapel.org

#### WC Men & Women

Both WC Men and Women provide programs, studies and events to bring people together. Each group offers seasonal events, activities, classes, Bible studies, outings, support groups, and mission trip opportunities.

Rev. Jon Reeves | Men's Ministry Pastor jreeves@whiteschapel.org

Rev. Joy Roberson | Women's Ministry Pastor jroberson@whiteschapel.org

# WC Young Adults

WC Young Adults provides a space for individuals, 18–30 years old, to learn about Scripture and participate in social events. The group typically



meets to engage in worship, have relevant conversation about Scripture, and enjoy community with one another.

Logan de Groot | Young Adults Ministry | Idegroot@whiteschapel.org

# **WC Singles**

Being single doesn't mean you have to be alone! White's Chapel offers two single groups, one for singles 30–50 years old and another for singles 50+. Both groups provide a Sunday School class and engage in off-campus events.

Chris Gruenewald | Singles 30–50 Ministry cgruenewald@whiteschapel.org

Rev. Steve Lallier | Singles 50 and Better Pastor | slallier@whiteschapel.org

# **WC Marriage Ministry**

WC Marriage Ministry seeks to connect couples with Christ and with one another. The group offers opportunities to study God's Word, learn more about cultivating healthy relationships, and spend time together at seasonal events.

Tracy Christensen | Adult Discipleship Director | tchristensen@whiteschapel.org

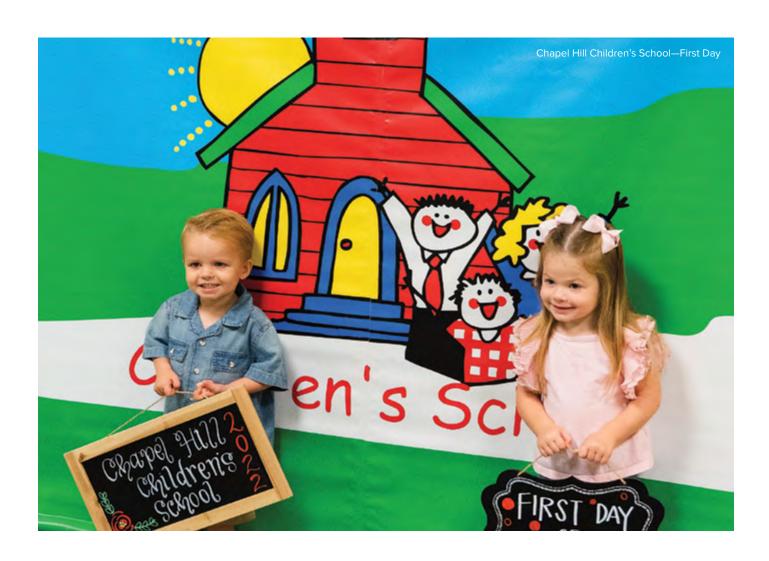
# Classic Adult Fellowship (CAF)

There are still exciting opportunities for those 55+, and Classic Adult Fellowship offers great events for people to find fun and community. This group strives to bring people together through monthly luncheons, on-campus movie showings, and entertaining outings. People do not have to be members of White's Chapel to participate; guests are always welcome.

Laurie Williams | Classic Adult Fellowship Director | <u>Iwilliams@whiteschapel.org</u>







# CHAPEL HILL CHILDREN'S SCHOOL

This is a Christian transitional kindergarten, preschool and "Parent's Day Out" program that is tailored to children 18 months through 6 years old. Chapel Hill's mission is to provide the community with a program that encompasses the highest standards in early childhood education within a Christian environment of love and support. Chapel Hill Children's School also offers many unique family-fun events for their students throughout the year.

Space is limited. Learn more at <a href="checkids.com">checkids.com</a>.

Marna Parker | CHCS Director <u>mparker@whiteschapel.org</u> | (817) 424 - 1396





# WEDDINGS AT WHITE'S CHAPEL

Weddings are joyful and sacred celebrations, and we love walking alongside couples as they plan for their big day! White's Chapel offers four beautiful on-campus spaces for wedding ceremonies.

- Sanctuary
- Spell Chapel
- Grace Chapel
- Walton Chapel

For more information, please contact Annalisa Edgar or visit the church website.

Annalisa Edgar | Wedding Coordinator aedgar@whiteschapel.org



# WC KIDS

We believe fostering a personal faith in Jesus Christ in children is one of the most important ministry areas of our church. From the nursery to sixth grade, WC Kids learn about God, build relationships with their peers, and have fun!

# Sundays: 9:30 & 11 a.m.

# Infants-4-year-olds

Kids Jam

It's important for preschoolers to grow up understanding that God made them, God loves them, and Jesus wants to be their friend forever. Active worship, hands-on activities, and creative storytelling allows preschoolers to engage with the Bible in exciting ways. Volunteers are always needed and welcome.

Erin Zajac | Nursery-Pre-K Volunteer Coordinator | ezajac@whiteschapel.org

Donna Edgar | Curriculum Coordinator dedgar@whiteschapel.org

## Kinder-Third Grade

#### Small Group

In small groups, students can connect with the Bible in new ways each week. Scripture comes to life through art, drama, food, games, mission projects, and science. God created each child with different interests and learning styles, which makes



variety important and something to celebrate! Small groups are volunteer led

#### Large Group

Each week, kindergartners are welcomed to the Hive, a large group room designed just for them. First through third graders gather in the ROCK. Both spaces offer high-energy worship experiences, fun stories and games!

Dana Netzer | Elementary Volunteer Coordinator | dnetzer@whiteschapel.org

Alyson Bator | Curriculum Coordinator abator@whiteschapel.org

# Fourth Grade Foundations

We have something new in store for our fourth graders! During Sunday School, they will study foundational aspects of our faith, such as the Ten Commandments, The Lord's Prayer, the books of the Bible, and more. Through interactive and relevant curriculum, kids will engage with these age-old truths in new and exciting ways. This program includes

a fun hangout room created just for students in this age group.

#### Fifth-Sixth Grade

Club 56

Fifth and sixth graders start the morning in Elevate, a space to make new friends and learn about God. When it's time for the lesson, kids break into small groups to explore Scripture through hands-on activities, videos and group discussion. Leaders accompany kids on their walk with Christ and help them be a Godly influence within the community. Exciting off-campus events are also available throughout the year.

For more information about upcoming WC Kids events, please contact one of the co-directors or visit the church website.

Hannah Robbins | WC Kids Co-Director hrobbins@whiteschapel.org

Denise Bennett | WC Kids Co-Director dbennett@whiteschapel.org

## Wednesdays

Wednesday nights are designed with connection in mind! Each week, kids are given an age-appropriate, Bible-based lesson in addition to fun theme nights that include games, mission projects, and other social activities. With guidance from their leaders, students seek to understand who God is while building friendships within a community of believers. Programming may vary due to holidays and other events during the fall and spring semesters.

Wednesday Theme Nights-6 p.m.

# **Special Needs**

#### **Thrive**

Thrive is our additional needs ministry that is committed to caring for and journeying with children and students who have varying social skills, emotional needs, sensory needs, cognitive abilities, and physical abilities. Regardless of age, diagnosis, or story, it is the church's mission to create awareness, provide accessibility, and offer a space of true belonging for all people as they engage in their faith.

For a complete list of opportunities dedicated to those with additional needs, please visit the <u>church website</u> or contact Alyson Bator.

Alyson Bator | Thrive Coordinator abator@whiteschapel.org

> Want to get more involved? Visit the website for seasonal events and programming.

whiteschapel.org/kids

# WC Arts Academy

Arts Academy gives students the opportunity to express their creativity through a variety of engaging art forms. Each class focuses on the gifts God gives each person and celebrates everyone's differences. Classes are offered in dance, cooking, art, Legos, and more. Classes are \$50 per semester.

Volunteers are always needed to share talents or hobbies with participating students. Time commitments are flexible.

Erin Schechter | WC Arts Academy | eschechter@whiteschapel.org

#### **WC** Theater

WC Theater offers a place for students to come as they are, learn about God's love, and strengthen their gifts and talents. Every semester, students work together to create a full production that showcases them at their very best. Through acting, singing, dancing, tech, and a lot of hard work, the magical world of theater comes to life on stage. There are currently two classes: Theater 1 (students in fourth—sixth grade) and Theater 2 (seventh—ninth grade).

Julie Blalock | WC Theater | jblalock@whiteschapel.org





# WC STUDENTS

At White's Chapel, students learn about Scripture, engage in worship, and make connections with other believers through student programming.

The goal of WC Students is to teach students the Gospel and connect them with other Christians so they can grow in their faith, take ownership of their relationships with Jesus, and honor God with their lives and choices.

Want to get more involved? Visit the website for seasonal events and programming.

whiteschapel.org/students

# **Weekly Programming**

Through intentional programming for both middle and high school students, leaders provide a space for teens to build community through various activities and events, and learn about God's character through Scripture and worship. Crave is the weekly worship service for seventh and eighth grade students, and Intersection is the weekly worship service for ninth through 12th grade students. While both services are similar in style, they each focus on topics that are relevant to the students' stage of life.

Crave: Middle School Intersection: High School

# **Cell Groups**

Everyone needs a support system that's rooted in faith, and that's what Cell Groups do! These small-group Bible studies meet in host homes and discuss a variety of topics. Cell Groups offer an informal setting for students to feel comfortable having conversations about faith with both their peers and leaders.

# **Sunday School**

Sunday School is offered weekly as a Bible study class made specifically for seventh through 12th grade students. In Sunday School, students learn about the characters, themes, and books of the Bible.





# Events, Retreats & Summer Mission Trips

Each year, incredible mission trips and retreats are available to students. The Middle School and High School Mission Trips allow participants to learn leadership skills, serve, grow, and make memories—all while surrounded by friends. Students have traveled to various destinations including New Orleans, Louisiana; Tulsa, Oklahoma; Guatemala City, Guatemala; and most recently Conway, Arkansas and Memphis, Tennessee. Local events and retreats are also scheduled throughout the year to allow students time to connect with one another.

For more information about upcoming WC Students events, please contact one of the co-directors or visit the **church website**.

Floyd Joseph | WC Students Co-Director fjoseph@whiteschapel.org

Michelle Joseph | WC Students Co-Director mjoseph@whiteschapel.org



# CARE & SUPPORT



Being a person of faith is no shield to the inevitable hardships of life. We hurt. We grieve. We ache with questions that defy answers.

Our Care and Support ministry provides comfort, hope, love, and encouragement for those who are struggling spiritually, physically or emotionally. We accomplish this by compassionately companioning our congregation through care ministries, support groups, one-to-one caring relationships, funeral services, and decisions about the columbarium.

#### Care Ministries

From delivering flowers, crocheting prayer shawls, and sending cards to providing meals in times of need, our various Care Ministries offer church members numerous ways to reach out and show Christ's love to those experiencing tough times. These ministries would not happen without loving, dedicated volunteers.

Dianne Will | Care & Support Administrative Assistant dwill@whiteschapel.org

### Pastor On Call

A pastor is available 24/7 to help in emergency spiritual situations.

(817) 881-2124

#### **Funerals**

Funerals are an opportunity for people to mourn the physical loss of the one they love and to worship God together. At White's Chapel, pastors and staff members walk alongside individuals during this challenging time. They work together to create a funeral service that honors, remembers, and offers healing and hope. Every element is carefully and prayerfully planned to create a service deserving of the unique life being recognized. Each service is also centered on the eternal promises made by God through Jesus Christ.

Rev. Kyle Roberson | Care & Support Pastor kroberson@whiteschapel.org

"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Jesus Christ our I ord."

Romans 8:38-39 (NIV)

#### Columbarium

Establishing a resting place for ourselves and for those we love is imperative—not only for us but also for friends and family members who are grieving. In an era when people might call many different cities "home" over a lifetime, it can be difficult to choose a location that is poignant and meaningful. Inurnment in the White's Chapel Columbarium provides members of White's Chapel and their

families an opportunity to choose the shadow of the church, which has been a source of peace and support throughout their lives, as a final resting place.

Dianne Will | Care & Support Administrative Assistant | <u>dwill@whiteschapel.org</u>

#### Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are trained laypeople who have a heart for caring for the needs of church members and neighbors. Through a one-to-one care relationship, a Stephen Minister patiently listens and provides prayerful support during a difficult period or crisis in one's life. People Stephen Ministers seek to serve include hospitalized or home-bound individuals, the aging and elderly, terminally ill patients, those with disabilities and their families, those needing a Christian friend, those

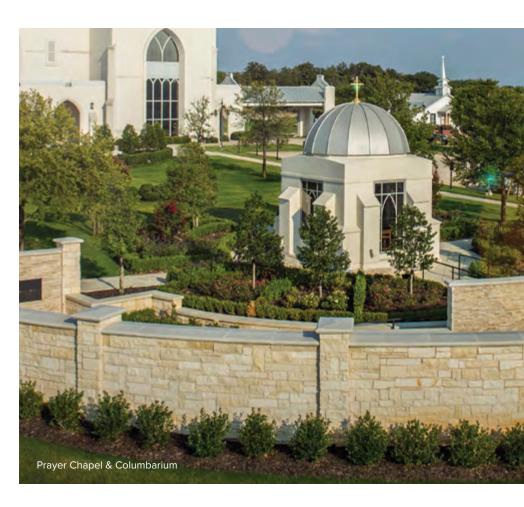
facing a transition, those separated or divorced, those with job crises, and those experiencing the loss of a child or loved one.

stephenministry@whiteschapel.org

#### Support Groups

For many, life can present unforeseen challenges that require the support of companions who will provide a space for sharing, comfort and care. From groups focused on helping people confront loss and understand their grief, health concerns or cancer diagnoses to those focused on supporting people through foster/adoptive care and infertility issues, support groups offer hope and encouragement for those all along the journey of life.

supportgroups@whiteschapel.org





#### Health and Wellness

Taking care of your mind, soul and body is important! The church offers many health classes and discussions throughout the year to provide information and support. Blood drives are also hosted on-campus at various times.

### Chandler's Hope

Very few people talk about addiction, rehabilitation, relapses, or overdoses in polite society. They are possibly ashamed or—perhaps more likely—at wits' end. Most don't know how or where or with whom to talk about the problem.

Chandler's Hope is a White's Chapel ministry that provides answers to those immediate questions of what to do, where to go, and who to turn to when the bottom falls out of life. Ministry leaders hope that through awareness and prevention, some families might avoid the nightmare of addiction.

To view upcoming Chandler's Hope events or get additional resources, please visit the <u>church website</u> or contact Rev. Victor Resendiz.

Rev. Victor Resendiz Chandler's Hope Director vresendiz@whiteschapel.org

### **Counseling Center**

The White's Chapel Counseling Center is a ministry extension of White's Chapel. The counseling staff is comprised of professionallytrained and licensed individuals who specialize in a variety of issues.

Life can be hard and, in some cases, completely overwhelming. At the same time, counselors wholeheartedly believe hope exists in every situation regardless of what it is. Holding on to that hope is what counselors strive to help people do as they integrate Christ-centered biblical truth with professional training, skills, and techniques to help people grow and move forward in life.

For more information, please view the Counseling Center page on the **church website** or call (817) 552–2129 to make an appointment.

Dr. Franz Klutschkowski WC Counseling Center Director drfranz@whiteschapel.org

# SPIRITUAL FORMATION

We are on a pilgrimage guided by spiritual practices/ disciplines. Through spiritual formation, we lean into 'less is more' and work toward surrendering our agenda and ego in an attempt to deepen our relationship with God, others and ourselves. A few of these 'soul-tending' practices are silence, solitude, Lectio Divina (divine reading), prayer, contemplation, and meditation. Rev. Victor Resendiz offers many classes throughout the year as well as spiritual direction/guidance.

Rev. Victor Resendiz | Spiritual Formation Pastor vresendiz@whiteschapel.org

#### Sacred Spaces On Campus

- Spell Chapel/Stations of Light
- Prayer Labyrinth
- Memorial Fountain
- Ponder Prayer Chapel
- Rider Pond
- Columbarium and Memorial Garden
- Sanctuary Garden



Looking for ways to encounter the Lord's presence during the week? Attend one of the following services, offered during regular programming.

Oasis Midweek Contemplative Service Tuesday | Noon | Grace Chapel

Taizé

Wednesday | 6 p.m. | Walton Chapel



# MISSIONS

At White's Chapel, we believe that the first great commandment of Jesus Christ is to love God with all your heart, soul and mind. The second commandment is to love your neighbor as yourself.

The world is filled with neighbors in need, and as a congregation, we seek to fulfill God's love in tangible ways.

This includes many ongoing programs that welcome volunteers.

LOCALLY

### Adopt-a-Schools

White's Chapel has adopted three schools: O.H. Stowe Elementary in Haltom City, Bellaire Elementary in Hurst, and Van Zandt-Guinn Elementary in Fort Worth. During a typical school year, church volunteers work with these schools to provide school supplies, tutor kids, pack weekend grocery bags for students, organize teacher appreciation events, pack Thanksgiving meals, and deliver much-needed Christmas gifts. There are many volunteers needed on a weekly and as-needed basis.

Dedra Moffat | Missions & Evangelism Assistant <a href="mailto:dmoffat@whiteschapel.org">dmoffat@whiteschapel.org</a>

#### **Dirty Dozen**

The volunteer group of amateur 'experts at everything' started as a way for retirees to give back to the church, the community and the world. However, this dedicated group is no longer just a dozen! These skilled volunteers learn and perfect their talents in construction, plumbing,

electrical, painting, flooring—and almost anything dealing with remodeling and construction. Projects vary from emergency disaster relief to helping with church tasks. Opportunities are available as needed, and there is schedule flexibility during each project.

Chris Rowley | chrisrowley62@gmail.com

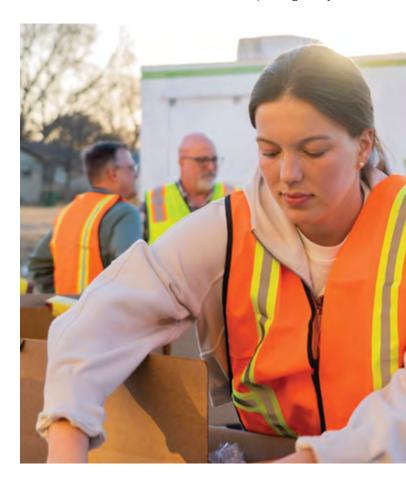
#### Mary & Martha

This exceptional group continues to be the hands and feet of Christ by completing or assisting with much-needed tasks. Many of these helpful jobs include running errands, organizing closets, decorating, gardening, using administrative skills, or writing letters. Opportunities are available as needs arise.

Martha Reukema | mreukema@mac.com Sharon Nelson | sharonann.nelson@yahoo.com

## Soldier Ministry

As part of its many mission and ministry programs, White's Chapel has a Soldier Ministry that has been in operation for several years. Over the years, thousands of care packages with letters, Bibles, toiletries, handmade cards from WC kids and adults, and food (among many



other things) have been sent to our troops to help raise morale and let them know they are not forgotten. Even though the "war" is officially over, there are still over 170,000 troops deployed overseas. Many are deployed to areas where supplies are hard to obtain, and many are away from home for the very first time. These care packages let our troops know that they are not forgotten.

Susan Tanner | setntx@verizon.net

# Super Saturdays of Service

White's Chapel is constantly looking for ways to serve people locally, nationally and globally. Each Super Saturday of Service typically focuses on a specific need, relevant to the time of year, or partners with another organization to help the community. Throughout the year, the church offers eight to ten Super Saturdays

of Service for volunteers to attend. Friends, families (including children), and church groups are encouraged to participate. Sign up links are posted on the **church website** periodically.

info@whiteschapel.org

#### Refugee Initiative

The Refugee Initiative at White's Chapel "meets, greets and completes" the cultural acclimation refugees rely on to become active members within the community. Combining church volunteers with those of neighboring faith communities, people are able to mentor arriving families; tutor students; enhance language skills; assist with resumes and job interviews: help secure driver's licenses and find doctors; and host programs for refugee youth to share their life experiences, insights and dreams. Volunteers are often needed to help meet people when they arrive, teach English Language Learning classes, and help refugees get settled in the community.

Ann Davis I <u>davis.ann.k@gmail.com</u> Laura Bussell I <u>lbussell8@gmail.com</u>

#### **WC Mobile Market**

The WC Mobile Market provides groceries to people and communities experiencing food insecurity. This ministry is facilitated by our 28-foot refrigerated trailer. Currently, we are in partnership with Tarrant Area Food Bank providing fresh produce, dairy and protein food selections for families at O.H. Stowe Elementary and the surrounding community. In addition, the WC Mobile Market partners with GRACE to provide food to families in need that reside in Grapevine and the surrounding community. This ministry also supports our Disaster Response Team when needed for emergency situations in Texas and the surrounding states. Monthly volunteer opportunities are listed on the church website.

wcmobilemarket@whiteschapel.org

### Angels' Attic

Angels' Attic is a volunteer-run White's Chapel ministry that supports local and global charities through the sale of donated merchandise. Angels' Attic Upscale Resale is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteer opportunities are available throughout the year, and donations are appreciated.

(817) 251–9451 | angelsatticresale.com

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# **Community Outreach**

Those looking to help with a local project may be interested in donating time to Trinity Habitat for Humanity. White's Chapel volunteers have autonomously built houses in conjunction with Habitat, as well as partnered with volunteers from other churches for home construction.

White's Chapel also partners with other nonprofit organizations within the community to help those in need. Some of the organizations the church has partnered with include GRACE, Broadway Baptist Church, The Presbyterian Night Shelter & Patriot House, the Ronald McDonald House, Tarrant Area Food Bank, the Community Food Bank, Operation Home Front, and the Poiema Foundation. The church continues reaching out to additional organizations in need.

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# NATIONALLY & GLOBALLY

White's Chapel offers opportunities for men, women and family members to serve the greater community; from mission trips to food drives, a wide range of projects allows people the ability to choose an area of ministry that speaks to them.

### **Mission Trips**

By partnering with other organizations and communities, volunteers are able to spread the love of Jesus Christ. Family Mission Trips, usually to a location just a few hours away, have traditionally been planned over Labor Day weekend and Spring Break. WC Men and Women have planned adult trips at various times of the year. They regularly work with Blueprint Ministries in San Antonio. International trips are often an option as well. Recently, groups have worked in Costa Rica, Guatemala, Ghana, and Belize. Check the <a href="mailto:church website">church website</a> for new mission trip opportunities.

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#### Disaster Response Team

Disaster relief programs are planned as needed to help victims of floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, and other types of emergencies. White's Chapel typically sets aside one communion offering per year to contribute to disaster relief programs and organizations. Other efforts are organized as needs arise.

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For more information about how to get involved in outreach projects or mission trips, please visit the church website.

whiteschapel.org/missions

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

John 13:34-35 (NIV)

# MEMBERSHIP

Joining the church is about more than just membership, it's about discipleship. When the Holy Spirit leads individuals or families to join the church, they join a welcoming community of faith.

Committing oneself to a local expression of the larger Body of Christ is how we grow in our relationship with God. It is a mutual commitment where we vow our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness in support of the church for the work of the Gospel and the glory of God. The church commits itself to walking with each person toward an ever-deepening relationship with God—offering opportunities to worship, pray, learn, grow, heal, and serve.

 Confirmation—After a season of instruction in the teachings of the Church, individuals are invited to make a public profession of faith or be baptized as full members of the church.

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#### Involvement

Get involved by using your talents and passions to glorify God! Find opportunities on the church website or stop by the Involvement Desk on Sunday mornings to find out more about current service opportunities, small groups and special events. Our Welcome to WC Orientation class, regularly offered each season, is also a great place to learn more about White's Chapel, Methodism, vows of membership, and how to get plugged in.

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## You can join White's Chapel through:

- Transfer of Membership—If you currently hold membership in another Christian church, we'd be honored to receive your transfer—regardless of denomination.
- Profession of Faith & Baptism—If you've never joined a church, professed faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, or been baptized, we'd be humbled to celebrate your profession of faith and baptism (White's Chapel recognizes the faithful baptisms of other Christian denominations).





# **SACRAMENTS**

In a sacrament, we receive God's love and His presence; in a sacrament, we receive God's grace in an especially profound way—for it is God who takes the initiative to reach. We hold baptism and Holy Communion as the sacraments of our faith.

#### **Baptism**

Through the sacrament of baptism, we are joined with the Church and with Christians around the world. It is a symbol of new life and a sign of God's love and forgiveness. As such, we believe that people of any age can be baptized.

Infant baptisms signify that God's grace is already being poured into that young life—that the child is already precious in the eyes of the Almighty. Our response to these baptisms is a covenant that we will lead lives that help the children of our community make decisions to accept Jesus as their Savior. A course, Baptism 101, is offered seasonally to help people understand the sacrament and the beliefs of the church. Baptisms at White's Chapel are typically done through sprinkling, immersion or pouring.

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#### **Holy Communion**

At White's Chapel, Holy Communion—or the Lord's Supper—is a meal of bread and juice that symbolizes the Body and Blood of Christ. It recalls the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, and celebrates the unity of all the members of God's family. By sharing this meal, we give thanks for Christ's sacrifice and are nourished and empowered to go into the world in both mission and ministry. Communion is typically offered after every service at White's Chapel and is featured during worship once a month.

We practice an open table: all who love Christ, repent of their sin, and seek to live in peace with one another are welcome to take communion.

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# WORSHIP SERVICES

All services include Bible-based dynamic preaching.

#### **SATURDAY**

#### Contemporary Service\*

The Foundry | 5:30 p.m.

An acoustic style of worship comprised of vocal leaders and the praise band.

#### **SUNDAY**

**Traditional Service\*** | Sanctuary | 8:20 a.m. Features traditional hymns with a song leader, piano and organ.

Contemporary Service\* | Sanctuary | 9:30 a.m. Combines contemporary worship with hymns and praise songs.

Founders Service | Walton Chapel | 9:30 a.m. A gathering of community members for worship, prayer and Holy Communion.

# **Acoustic Contemporary Service**

The Foundry | 11 a.m.

Acoustic contemporary worship with 9:30 a.m. sermon stream.

Foundation Service\* | Sanctuary | 11 a.m.

Traditional worship featuring a full choir and orchestra.

\* Available to watch online



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