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PASTOR FOX - YOU WILL BE MISSED

What a privilege I have had to minister alongside Pastor Josh Fox. It has been my joy to share with him as part of our pastoral team. I will miss our times to talk about the nuts and bolts of ministry as well as the blessings and challenges. We have all had the joy of watching him grow as a heart-felt worship leader and a passionate preacher of God's word. I know he and Candy will shepherd their new flock well. Candy has a real heart for helping people and pouring the love of God into them. May God our Father bless, anoint and protect their family as they shepherd the sheep God has called them to shepherd.

~Pastor Bob

I've been on Valley Chapel's staff with Foxy for six years. We've spent hours brainstorming and bouncing ideas off each other, worked on several major ministry projects together, and exchanged many (hilarious) GIFs. He's always been a big part of VBS every summer - it isn't going to be the same without him this year!

I'm an only child, but over the years, I've come to consider all the "boys" on staff to be brothers. (All of them have their own siblings and probably aren't looking for more, but hey... they're stuck with me! It truly feels as though a dear family is leaving and not just a co-worker. Foxy, it's been a privilege to do ministry with you. I'm really going to miss you, buddy.

-Erin

call that I set up for the search committee to interview him for the worship pastor position. We talked for a few minutes and I knew that with a name like Josh, he had to be awesome. Turns out I was right. Josh Fox is awesome! Josh Fox it has been great working at Valley Chapel and serving the Kingdom of God with you these past eight years. We had a lot of laughs and some cries. (like when the Milford Mandarin Chinese buffet shut down, we cried for weeks) Thanks for your friendship over the years and the few movies we were able to watch together when our schedules allowed.

I am grateful for your heart for God, His word and His people. I know God has great plans for your next phase of life as you become a traitor and lead a Wesleyan church.

Love ya,
~Josh Howard

It has been a joy to work alongside Pastor Fox. I so appreciate Pastor Fox's willingness to incorporate young musicians into the Valley Chapel worship team as well as encourage our youth worship team in their gifts. In addition, Candy has consistently served in our student ministry by facilitating the high school girls small group discussion on Sunday mornings. Pastor Josh & Candy, thanks for all you have done to invest in our next generation. I hope Corbin had an awesome month in the youth group. I wish it could have been longer, but I am confident that God will continue to do good things through you as you continue to serve Him. Many blessings!

~Pastor Matt

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The first time I met Josh Fox was on a test Zoom

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Pastor Fox, it has been a wonderful experience working with you in ministry. I love your heart for music and God's Word. The Lord bless you, Candy, and the family in your next assignment. We will miss you.
~Sharon

I haven't been here long, but it has been a pleasure getting to know Pastor Fox and his family. I have enjoyed seeing his passion, passion for Jesus, passion for worship, and passion for others. He is leaving behind a big void and will be missed by all of us. Praying for a smooth transition and many blessings in their new church.
~Alice

If you would like something in the August edition of "Stay Connected" Please send your information to Alice by July 22 alice@valleychapel.us

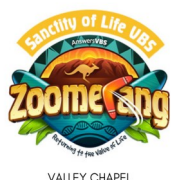
I will remember Josh and Candy's interview many

years ago. We were so excited to welcome them here with a little boy and a baby on the way, and their friendliness and warmth made them easy to love. Working with Pastor Fox in the office, I found him a great listener, kind, and willing to hear all points of view. I always loved his prayers. Josh loved fun, too. I remember a time the staff piled into my little orange car to go play mini-golf. Erin sat in front as I drove, and Pastors Bob, Josh, and Fox were crammed in the back!

I thank God for the friendship, life, and ministry of Josh and Candy Fox. Who can forget Candy's cookie platters and thoughtful gifts? The Fox family enriched our lives and our church in so many ways. It's hard to let them go, but we know God's plan is best. We will always be grateful for their time here.

~ Lynne Randolph

JULY 25-29, 2022



VBS July 25-29

Register for VBS or sign up to help.
valleychapel.myanswers.com/zoomerang/

Zoomerang VBS is coming up soon! **We need Crew Leaders for our early elementary students!** A Crew Leader is in charge of 4-5 children for the week. This is not a teaching role! Crew Leaders are responsible for traveling with kids from station to station, drawing kids into discussion and helping them participate in the day's activities. It's a blast! Contact erin@valleychapel.us for details.



Prayer Weekend

praying for Massachusetts

July 29-31

THURSDAY, July 28
6-7pm
worship & prayer in
the sanctuary

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July prayer weekend will be on July 29-31. We will focus on praying for the state of Massachusetts. The corporate prayer time will be on THURSDAY July 28 from 6-7pm as we know weekends are busy over the summer.

Picture Directories!

Who wouldn't want one of those!? This directory will be done 'in-house', (not using a professional company.) We will be taking family pictures in the lobby beginning in August. Watch for more details to follow.



"Christ Caring For People, Through People"

There are two scriptures that come to mind as I write this: Matthew 2:14 Jesus says, "We are light of the world." Our world was given over to darkness in the Garden of Eden. Darkness hits everyone of our lives at one point or another. Our responsibility is to project the light of Christ. Also, Daniel 12:3 it is written, "Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament, And those who turn many to righteousness are like the stars forever and ever." This is exactly what Stephen Ministers do, they come alongside a person who has come across a situation in life that need an Aaron to come along side supporting them emotionally and spiritually as they navigate the process the Lord is leading them through. A probable Stephen Minister is someone who feels a call...a tug in their heart to help others, a person with the gift of mercy, one who loves to see God work miracles in another's life. Someone who has been in a crisis and was ministered to by a Stephen Minister, or maybe not ministered to and wants to help others.

Stephen Ministry training is exciting, enjoyable, equipping the soon to be ministers with essential caring and relating skills to provide great one-to-one Christian Care. Past Stephen Ministers that I have trained have all come back and said in essence, " it was a life changing experience that has impacted every area of my relationships, I use what I learned everyday."

If you feel a call or a tug, it is my prayer that fear would not keep you from speaking with me, even joining in and experiencing the training to see where God would lead you.

Blessings,

Linda Prout -Stephen Ministry Leader

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"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who may be in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. " 1 Corinthians 3-4

Stephen Ministries



Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ (Galatians 6:2, NRSV).



Baptism

If you are interested in being baptized at Pout Pond at our church picnic on August 27, Please email Alice in the office alice@valleychapel.us

Summer classes Schedule

Faith Connection (9:30 AM Room 225) studying Hebrews all summer, all welcome, and Young Adults (9:00 AM Room 220) will continue to meet through the summer. Prayer room is always open for anyone who needs prayer.

Douglas Camp Meeting July 15—24, 2022

We are blessed to have Pastor David Dorn back. He's looked forward to his family experiencing the work of the Holy Spirit along with us all. He preaches Biblical messages from a pastors heart.

Free Worship Concert with John Waller Friday July 15
Go to douglascampmeeting.com for more details

ISRAEL TRIP



May 18-28, 2023

We have a list of 35 people (max) interested in traveling to Israel with Pastor Bob and Sharon. A meeting will be scheduled early fall once we hear from our travel guide, Dan Glick.

In the meantime, if you are serious about going and your name is on our list, please start your passport process. Forms are on line or you can pick one up at the post office.

If you're interested in being put on the waiting list to go to Israel with Pastor Bob & Sharon, email Sharon Howard at Sharon@valleychapel.us.

Women's Retreat



Grab the girls and spend a weekend away resting and finding new strength at Camp Berea's Women's Retreat.

The schedule for the retreat is planned deliberately

to give you **a chance to grow and to be refreshed**, to use the time in the unique way that you would most enjoy. In between the main group sessions, spend time talking with friends, take a short hike along our Prayer Walk trail, relax with a book and a cup of coffee, or join in one of the many optional activities – such as riflery, archery, volleyball, seminars, crafts, kayaking, canoeing, and boat tours – that Camp Berea has to offer.

We will have reserved a group cabin for Valley Chapel attendees – up to 15 on the following weekends:

September 16-18 – VC contact Amy Gaudet

September 23-25 – VC contact Kerri Arsenault

Must register by June 30 to be part of the Valley Chapel Group

Rates (per person)

Onsite: \$235 // Offsite \$120

to Register go to : <https://bera.org/women/> Group Name: Valley Chapel



Come and enjoy fellowship and summertime fun after church on Sunday **July 17 and Aug 14** at the Pastor Josh & Kerrie Howard's home, 150 Douglas St, Uxbridge. Bring your own lunch; grills will be available if you need to cook your food. Bring what you need to enjoy yard games, Ping-Pong, basketball, and of course, the pool!



Plan to stay after church on July 10 for a time to send off the Fox family to their next adventure. The men's ministry will grill up the hotdogs, we will provide drinks, just bring a side dish or salad to share and a chair. Let's also use this occasion to shower the Fox's with encouraging cards.

SUNDAY

SERVICE TIME: 10:30 AM

● ONLINE SERVICE

VALLEYCHAPEL.US

Watch LIVE during our service time above.

● GIVING

We appreciate your giving. Did you know that you can also give online? Go to our website and click on the giving tab on our homepage. You can also use our APP and the giving tab on the our APP.

You can also stop by and drop your offering in the offering box in the sanctuary, lobby, outside at our west entrance.

● SOCIAL MEDIA



Facebook.com/VCUxbridge



Instagram.com/VCUxbridge

NEED TO CATCH UP?

Watch all messages on our website at any time. All messages are archived for viewing.



Valley Kids Swim Days
July 13, 20, 27



August 5-14
Portsmouth Camp

August 14
Summer Connection
(150 Douglas St, Uxbridge)

August 27
Church Picnic/Baptism