

PASTORS CORNER

Hey there! It's summer, and the season is short, so, I won't take up much of your time with this month's Pastor's Corner.

I just wanted to let you know two things: First, you can bring me ice cream treats or brownies whenever you feel led. © Second, we have an amazing volunteer tech team at Valley Chapel; you can become a part of it.

Did you know it takes nine volunteers each Sunday to run all of our equipment to make the service and Livestream work? That's 468 volunteer spots per year. Let me give you a quick rundown of each spot.

For our in-person worship service, we need Pro Presenter, a light board, and soundboard. Pro Presenter is the program that we use to display all the lyrics and videos on the projection screens. The light board controls the lighting cues for different parts of the service. The Front of House (FOH) soundboard is how we make the worship team sound really good, and it is where we can turn off Pastor Bob's mic if he preaches too long;).

For the Livestream spots we have:

video director (they call the camera shots and switch inputs for what is recorded)

PTZ camera operators who control the three cameras mounted in our sanctuary with a remote.

Tripod camera operators run the cameras located in the front and back of the sanctuary. The Livestream computer operator starts the Livestream, adds lyrics to the Livestream, and ends the Livestream.

Sound mixing for Livestream takes the sound from the stage and sends it to our video feed. (Did you know that we mix our Livestream sound independently from the sound you hear in the sanctuary? This is why our Livestream sounds so well mixed and clear.)

As you can see, there are many options to be part of our tech team, serving on a rotating basis. Training is available for all positions.

Please pray with me for God to bring new volunteers, especially in the area of Livestream audio mixing, pro presenter, and FOH soundboard. While most volunteers serve once or twice a month, the person who mixes the audio for the Livestream has been serving every single Sunday for the past 18 months (except for 2 Sundays). We need to pray for someone to come to give this volunteer a reprieve.

God is using the Livestream to reach more people than we ever thought possible with His gospel and biblical preaching. You can be part of this vital ministry that encourages others in their faith walk.

To learn more about becoming part of the tech team, please email me at <u>pastor-</u>

josh@valleychapel.us or call the office 508-278-2315. Love Ya!

Pastor Josh

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This hit home for me When a flashlight grows dim or quits working, do you just throw it away? Of course not. You change the batteries. When a person messes up or finds themselves in a dark place, do you cast them aside? Of course not! You help them change their batteries. Some need AA...attention and affection; some need AAA...attention, affection, and acceptance; some need C...compassion; some need D...direction. And if they still don't seem to shine...simply sit with them quietly and share your light.

STEPHEN MINISTRIES CHRISTIAN CAREGIVING ...A WAY OF LIFE

We are familiar with 1Corinthians 3:6-7, "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase." Only God gives the growth. A Stephen Ministers responsibility is to "plant" and "water"...God provides the growth...in other words Caregivers (Stephen Ministers) are responsible for "care"; God is responsible for "cure".

A Caregiver has their identity in Christ and realize that they are an extension of Christ's ministry.

Here at Valley Chapel we are united in Christ and are community or we may say family. All a part of God's family. One might say, "What do I have to offer?" "Do I have the right to involve myself in another's personal life"? Or fear, "What makes me qualified?"

*The right to care flows from our responsibility as family members . *It is God who created the Christian family. *He desires you and I to reach into lives of our fellow family members with His love. *He has given us a "license to care", He alone has the "license to cure."

Lord you know each individual in the family of Valley Chapel, I pray You speak loud and clear to those You have called. I ask Your Holy Spirit to remove all insecurities, doubts and fear so as they may be free to minister in Your name to those who may be hurting and You are glorified. Amen!

August is upon us! I'm trying to figure out where May, June and July went! Time does go by so quickly. September 11th is right around the corner...That is the day that Stephen Ministry training classes begin. It is not to late to sign up. There will be a sign up table in the lobby on August 14th, or you may email me at stephen@valleychapel.us.

Blessing,

Linda Prout - Stephen Ministry Leader <u>stephen@valleychapel.us</u> *quotes taken from "Christian Caregiving a Way of Life" - Kenneth C Haugk



Baptism will begin at 11 AM—picnic to follow.
Bring your own picnic (No grills provided, but you can

bring your own small portable grill.)

Bring your own lawn chairs, bug spray and some lawn games.

There will be swimming, volleyball, playground, fishing, basketball.

Inclement weather:

If we have inclement weather, and the picnic needs to be cancelled. We will move the baptism to Sunday (8/28) during the worship service at 10:30 am, the picnic will not be rescheduled. We will be sending out an email and phone message and it will be posted on Facebook, if we must cancel.

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. There will be a baptism class on Sunday, August 7 at 9:00 am in room 219.

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.



September 11 9:30 AM Classes begin

Save the Date!
October 14
Concert
Mike Donehey—Lead
singer from Tenth Ave
North

Photo Directories Coming Soon!

We have a few volunteers working to create a photo directory for our Valley Chapel family. Please help make is a success by having your family pictures taken on the dates below.

Photo sessions:

Who: All regular church attendees. What: Photo taken at no charge:)

When: after church services **August 21st**, **Aug 28th and Sept 4th**.

Where: in the Conference Room 121.

We plan on making this as painless as possible (no one likes their picture taken, right?) so that we can add it to the church directory: "All the better to know you better!"

If you would like something in the September edition of "Stay Connected" Please send your information to Alice by August 19 alice@valleychapel.us



WEGNESDAYS SEAM-APPM
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Valley Kids Swim Days Aug 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Pastor Josh & Kerrie's Pool 150 Douglas Rd, Uxbridge





"Stand up and praise the Lord, your God, who is from everlasting to everlasting. Blessed is your glorious name and may it be exalted above all blessing and praise" (Nehemiah 9:5).

The August prayer weekend will be on August 27-29 and will focus on worshipping and glorifying our holy God. Please sign up for a slot to pray and plan to join us on Sunday August 29th from 4-5pm to worship and praise our Lord in the sanctuary.



To receive the weekly VC Messenger and prayer requests, give your email to Alice at alice@valleychapel.us and let her know you want to be added to the email list.



Are you hurting deep inside because of an abortion? The Save-One bible study can help you reclaim your peace of mind and self-worth. In this confidential and supportive group, women who have walked your path, the promises of God, and the Holy Spirit will help you through the healing process.

The group will be held weekly in the evening beginning the 3rd week in September. For more information call Penny Downs 508-278-7271.

W M M L A Connections

We had a great time in July. Come and enjoy fellowship and summertime fun after church on Sunday, **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!

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.

Memorial Garden Update

Construction has begun on Valley Chapel's Memorial Garden! Walk onto the west lawn and look toward the back of the church property to see where Bill Giatas, our landscape designer, has laid out the garden. Next steps are foundation slabs for the columbaria; then Bill will create the garden with pavers and plantings before the first columbarium is delivered. We have sold all twenty niches at the discount price, but 12 niches remain

for the regular price of \$2800. Remember, these are companion niches for two people, and some of the price is considered a donation to Valley Chapel. If you are interested in purchasing a niche, contact our Office Administrator, Alice Legg, (508 278-2315) who can give you information and paperwork. Please pray for the project as it moves forward; we desire to honor God and bless families.

