



# Amelia Plantation Chapel

An Interdenominational Community Church

August 17, 2025

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 am Service



“Naomi and Ruth” from Hurlbert’s  
Story of the Bible by Bohemian German painter, illustrator Anton Robert Leinweber (1845-1921)  
The Bible was published in 1932 by the John C. Winston Company in Pennsylvania.

A Great Commission Church  
Dr. Ken Jones, Senior Pastor

Our Vision:  
To develop mature Christian disciples  
who compassionately respond to the needs of others.





## Gathering Music

*At the Name of Jesus*

*O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*

*Improvisation on Balm In Gilead*

Jennifer St. Clair  
*arr. Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.*  
*arr. Larry Shackley*  
*arr. Joseph M. Martin*

## Welcome & Call To Worship

### Organ Prelude

*Glorify Thy Name*

*arr. Carolyn Hamlin*

### \*Hymn 46

*Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above*

*AMSTERDAM*

## Invocation & Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your judgment. For our sake, and the sake of your son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways that lead to glory. Amen. (Time for Silent Prayer)

## Assurance of Pardon & \*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.*

## \*Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Call to Prayer

*There is a Longing in Our Hearts*

*LONGING*

## Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

### \*Hymn 670

*O Word of God Incarnate*

*MUNICH*

## Invitation to Christian Stewardship



KEY: (\*) Indicates standing if able.

**Offertory**

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

*arr. Roger C. Wilson*

**\*Doxology & Prayer for the Nation**

*Our fathers' God, to Thee, Author of liberty, to Thee we sing; long may our land be bright with  
freedom's holy light; protect us by Thy might, Great God our King.*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Choral Anthem**

*Christians, All, Come Sing His Praises*

*arr. John Carter*

*Christians all, come sing His praises, He who saved and made you whole.  
Let the sound of glad rejoicing echo from your grateful soul.  
Praise the One who formed and freed you, praise His most amazing grace.  
Praise the One who'll love and lead you 'till you meet Him face to face.*

*All things good He gives His children – life and health and joy and peace.  
Strength to meet the trials before us, from our bondage sweet release.  
Feel His presence! Feel His power! Rock and refuge He will be.  
In your dark and troubled hour, He will give you victory.*

*If you love Him, come and serve Him, lay your life before Him now.  
Can you count how much you owe him? All that heaven will allow!  
Tell the world the wondrous story, how He loves us everyone.  
How He'll take us home to glory when our race on earth is run.  
Text by Mary Kay Beall, ©1991.*

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture Reading**

Philippians 2:12-16

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God

**Sermon**

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**\*Hymn 668**

*Wonderful Words of Life*

*WORDS OF LIFE*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Going Forth**

*O Christ, the Way the Truth, the Life*

*ST. PETER*

*O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life, be with us now we pray;  
Direct our steps as we go forth to do your will this day.*

**Organ Postlude**

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

*arr. Mary Ellen Kerrick*

**Healing Prayers**

[You may come to the side altar to receive a prayer for healing or other special needs](#)

## Discipleship Profile

### **Jesus Our First Love**

Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, is our First Love. We love the Triune God because He first loved us. We proclaim Christ and Him crucified. Our joy is knowing Jesus personally and following Him always for He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14:6). Jesus is our perfect Prophet, Priest, and King who shed His precious blood for us on the Cross and is the Risen One who is coming again in glory!

### **Bible Engagement**

Each person has a daily practice of personal prayer (Mark 1:35) and reading of the Word of God (Psalm 1:2) in order to experience a time of intimate devotions with the Lord (Proverbs 8:34). Living in light of our identity in Christ as new creations (2 Corinthians 5:17) who are accepted in the Beloved (Ephesians 1:6), listening to the Word of God preached in worship and taught in Bible studies. Becoming more like Christ by growing in the Grace and Truth of our Lord Jesus through Faith, Hope,

### **Seeking God in Christ**

The Chapel is dedicated to the glory of God so we treasure worshiping with God's gathered people and being edified by Biblical Fellowship at the Chapel each Sunday; daily seeking God through prayer and thanksgiving, while living in a way that pleases God by "each contributing our time, talents, and treasures" to Him.

### **Great Commandment Church**

We love the Lord and we love our neighbors. Putting our spiritual gift(s) to use in worshiping the Kingly Trinity and serving others for the Kingdom of God consists of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

### **Great Commission Church**

Equipped to share the Gospel with all. Our God is a missionary God, so "each a minister; each a missionary." Inviting an unchurched person to attend a church service/program because the church exists for the benefit of its non-members, so everything we do is about joyfully helping people discover the light and love of Jesus Christ.

### **Following Jesus and Denying Self**

Joyful to celebrate Christ's life throughout the church year from Advent to Pentecost, so He gets the glory as we follow in His footsteps. Obeying God, repenting of negative attitudes; demonstrating a humble, teachable spirit with a demeanor of sweet reasonableness. Dedicated to finishing life well-aligned with God's glory, gospel and plan.

### **Exercising Faith**

Trusting God in difficult circumstances; believing God has a purpose for one's life. Desperately dependent upon the power of the Holy Spirit to live a life worthy of our heavenly call. Believing that authentic biblical Christianity will be blessed by God.

### **Integrity In Relationships**

Dedicated to Shepherding hearts to the green pastures of God's Word. Getting together with other Christians by participating in biblical fellowship. Praying for others, loving others, mentoring others, living ethically, and sharing our story of how Christ saved us. Committed to not being narrow, nasty, and negative. Rather, communicating truth in love while protecting the church's peace, purity, and unity.

### **Interdenominational Family**

Respecting all Christian denominations, yet rejoicing in being a "Christ-Centered, Bible-Based, and Ministry-Focused Chapel Family." Committed to balanced Christianity as expressed in the motto, "In-Essentials, Unity; In Non-Essentials, Liberty; In All-Things, Love." Acknowledging that we do not have it all together; but together in Christ, we have it all.

### **Guardians of the Gospel**

On the authority of God's Word alone, we believe that we are saved by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone to the glory of God alone. Together, these truths form the foundation of and the guardrails for God's household of faith. We will guard the Gospel and hold forth the Word of Life to all (Philippians 2:16).



## **Worship Notes**

**Today is the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, a Sunday in Ordinary time.**


Ordinary here does not mean usual or common.

It stems from the word “ordinal,” related to the concept of ordering or counting time. Ordinary time refers to that part of the church year which does not fall within one of the major liturgical seasons. It consists of thirty-three or thirty-four weeks each year and emphasizes personal faith development nurture and growth, and enhancement of the Church.

The color for Ordinary time is green, symbolizing growth and development.

## **The Church Year**

Anchoring our worship life as a whole is the Church Year, an ancient spiritual pattern based on the story of Jesus’ incarnation, death, and resurrection. The flavor and tone of things at Amelia Plantation Chapel varies dramatically along with the seasons: Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, and the Ordinary Time of summer and fall. This rhythm is highly visible on Sundays, but it also means our year is punctuated by a few other high Holy Days as well: Christmas Eve, Reformation Sunday, All Saints’ Day, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Ascension Day. We encourage everyone to draw near to the Trinity of God, marking time according to the Gospel.



# Get Connected With Amelia Plantation Chapel

## THIS WEEK AT THE CHAPEL

### Today, August 17

8:30 am: Choir Practice (Choir Room)  
9:00 am: Worship Service  
10:00 am: Coffee Fellowship (FH)  
10:15 am: Bible Study (Meeting Room)  
11:15 am: Worship Service

### Monday, August 18

10:00 am: Petal Pushers  
10:00 am: Coed Bible Study (Meeting Room)

### Wednesday, August 20

1:30 pm: Lakeside Communion  
3:00 pm: Choir Practice

### Thursday, August 21

8:55 am: Adventures in Prayers

### Next Sunday, August 24

8:30 am: Choir Practice (Choir Room)  
9:00 am: Worship Service  
10:00 - 11:00 am Coffee Fellowship (FH)  
10:15 am: *Peter's Epistles* (Meeting Room)  
11:15 am: Worship Service

### Bible Study Classes

- Sundays at 10:15 am:  
*Sojourners & Exiles*, led by Richard Doster (held in the Meeting Room.)
- Mondays at 10:00 am:  
Coed Bible Study on *the Book of John*, led by Jan Smith (held in the Meeting Room.)

### Flower Calendar

Thank you to all who have donated the beautiful flowers for our worship services. There are several openings available from August through December.

### Devotional Books

If you are looking for any of the three devotional books the Chapel offers, you may pick them up in the Chapel office.

### Live Streaming Volunteers Needed:

We're looking for new team members to join our Live Stream Outreach Program. No experience is necessary-training will be starting soon.**Commitment: Just one Sunday a month for one service.** For additional information, please contact Bob Stichweh at [restichweh@gmail.com](mailto:restichweh@gmail.com).

### Save The Date:

Fall Bible study will begin on Tuesday, September 9 at 10:30 AM.

•Women will study *Women of the New Testament*.

•Men will study *John Stott's Revelation: The Triumph of God*.

Books will be available starting August 3 in the Chapel office.

### Save The Date:

Our Annual Welcome Back Oyster Roast!

Date: Sunday, October 19

Time: 5:00 PM

### Save The Date:

Shepherd Meeting with Mark Edwards

Date: September 4

Time: 1:00 pm

### Fellowship of Bible Investigators

Join us for an exciting Children's Sunday School in the Upper Room for Grades K-5! Starting September 14th, children are invited to gather every Sunday morning from 10:15 to 11:00 am to Study God's Word, Explore God's World, and Interview God's People as we uncover the rich theological truths in Part 1 of the New City Catechism. Children who complete the inaugural class will receive special prizes and a custom Amelia Chapel Detective Badge.

### We are still accepting pledges for 2025 Offerings

Budgeted Offerings for 2025: \$1,623,870

Received Year to Date: \$1,064,124

Needed by December 31: \$559,746

### Stewardship Estimate of Giving

Estimate of Giving Cards to Date: 187

Estimate of Giving Amount to Date: \$1,282,710



# You Are Welcome Here!

## Flower Calendar

The 2025 calendar is in the Narthex. You may also call the Chapel office to reserve a date. \$65 suggested donation in honor of a special occasion.

## Plant A Seed

Please share this bulletin with someone you know to personally invite them to join us in worship on any Sunday at 9:00 or 11:15 am. Romans 10:17: So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

## God Calls You By Name

And we will too if you wear your name badge! If you don't have one, order by calling the Chapel office.

Please wear your name badge to all Chapel functions.

## Hearing Assistance Devices

Ask any usher for a wireless hearing device, which permits you to sit anywhere and hear the service clearly.

## Chapel Nursery

The nursery is available for all children under the age of 5. Please keep any child with cold symptoms out of the nursery to avoid spreading germs. Thank you. Children's worship bags are also available to take into the Sanctuary during the service.

## Holy Communion Matters

As we remember Christ's sacrifice as the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, please be aware that if you need gluten-free Holy Communion wafers or would like to have the communion elements with you in the pew (rather than walking up front), please pick up a "communion packet" in the Chapel Narthex as you arrive to our worship service. Also know that the "wine" in both the gluten-free packets and served from the Lord's Table in the sanctuary is really grape juice.

## Live Streaming Available

For those unable to attend service live streaming is available on our website at [www.ameliachapel.com](http://www.ameliachapel.com).

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## **Today We Pray For**

### **Chapel Members**

Maggie Bruce  
Janet McGugan  
Henry Turner  
Claudia Smith  
Gertrude Bumgardner  
Don Kauer

### **Relatives**

Dave Drissel,  
brother of Dianne Gruber  
Jim Spivey,  
brother of Debbie Hyde  
Morgan DeNoers,  
son of Harry DeNoers  
Meredeth & Molly Austin,  
daughters of Jennifer St. Clair  
Matt Cardinal, son in law of  
Jean & Paul Worley

### **Flowers**

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