

## IN THE KNOW, JUNE 2025

“Take down that wall!” It’s another busy month at the Chapel! The temporary wall in the Narthex has come down! The LORD is doing some incredible work through all of us, and it is a blessing that we are included in such wonderful opportunities!

The Chapel roof is complete. The new, metal roof should be as permanent as it can be. Not that we could boast, but we really couldn’t have installed a better, stronger, and more attractive roof option. We have considered this to be the final piece of restoration that was required before the 2025 Hurricane Season.

Our new restrooms, are in process to be completed . This project began over a year ago (before the Hurricanes last Fall), but we are super-duper excited about them. It might seem a little silly that we would be excited about restrooms, but if you saw what we had previously, you’ll know this is a big improvement.

We are also actively researching new Sanctuary floors. Our Building Committee is looking at a number of products that would be beautiful (and waterproof)! We are considering products that will help to highlight our new chairs and also provide more natural light. Most of all, we are considering products that will help to enhance the beauty of the sanctuary, our primary place of praise and worship.

Chapel volunteers are also busy working on our grounds, including driveways, the Chapel Gardens, and plaza area. One of the ways we are helping our Gardens is by replanting our Sunday altar arrangements. Folks who wish to sponsor a Sunday altar arrangement (\$100), have the option of sponsoring a saltwater tolerant plant that will be planted in the Gardens following each Sunday’s service. (Contact the Chapel Office if you are interested!)

Finally, as the 2025 Hurricane Season begins, we will be talking frequently about safety measures and procedures that will help our area residents. We learned much from last Fall’s storms. The town’s officials, municipal leaders, and pastors are coordinating efforts and conversations in an attempt to inform all of our residents about many important items, so please pay attention (or at least, pretend to) so that you and your loved ones are safe and secure.

Thank you again for joining us in worship at the Longboat Island Chapel! We are happy that you are here and hope you feel welcome as part of the Chapel family today!



### **Sponsor a Sanctuary Arrangement for Sunday Worship!**

Include your own special message. Rev. Brock will announce your donation during Sunday worship.



**If you choose to sponsor with a plant instead of a bouquet, it will be re-planted into our Friendship Garden. The plants are pre-selected by our Garden Committee and are low maintenance and salt resistant.**

*Celebrating a birthday, anniversary, or special occasion? Let us know!*

***Sign up in advance of a special day you have in mind. We will send you a reminder when your message will be announced.***

Call the Chapel office at: #941-383-6491

## **Happy Father's Day!**

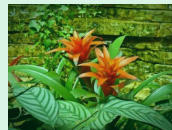


### **Volunteer Opportunity**

The Chapel's Garden & Grounds Committee invites you to join us in nurturing our beautiful garden this summer! We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers to lend a hand on two monthly (9am-11am) morning work days. Work dates will be scheduled in advance that best accommodate volunteers.

#### **Current projects to complete:**

- Re-plant and water new plants received
- Weeding and removing invasive plants
- Garden tidy up washing/oiling benches
- Clean & organize tool shed
- Clean tools & equipment



If you're interested in joining this fulfilling endeavor, please don't hesitate to reach out to Kelly Shrout, (256)-490-3378 or via mail, [kellyshrout@gmail.com](mailto:kellyshrout@gmail.com).

**We can't wait to grow together with you!**

***Join us for Worship every Sunday at 10:00 a.m.***



### **Chapel Book Club**

**Monday, June 16**

Noon at the Blue Dolphin (LBK)

Featuring: "Jackie"

*Author: Dawn Tripp*

Contact June Hessel: [junehessel@live.com](mailto:junehessel@live.com) for a seat reservation.

### **Gather & Give Event!**

**Tuesday, June 17, 5-7 pm**

#### **"Father Knows Best"**

*Bring a dish to share and your own beverage.*



For the month of June, we collect new or gently used men's clothing and new men's underwear for Mount Carmel Resource Center in Palmetto.

***For any of our Snowbirds who would like to donate, use Amazon.com or another service and have items delivered to: Longboat Island Chapel, 6200 Gulf of Mexico Dr. Longboat Key, FL 34228***

Palmetto Mayor Dan West and Shirley Pearson from Mt. Carmel will be our guest speakers.

***Drop off items in Shook Fellowship Hall.***

### **Shifting Sands**

**Meeting: Thursday, June 26**

**10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary**

This group meets to assist each other in maneuvering through difficult times.

Contact Rev. Bill Friederich: [bill@longboatislandchapel.org](mailto:bill@longboatislandchapel.org)

### **Manatee County Food Bank Donations**

We are doing a great job keeping up with summer need for food items! Let's fill another barrel so we can send these items off to the food bank!



**Bring your donations to Shook Fellowship Hall.**