



THE CHAPEL CHRONICLE

CITY ROAD CHAPEL

† News for the Pews †

September 6, 2026

1st Sunday



Keeping the Doors Open

Across the country, many churches are facing declining membership and attendance. Some have struggled to keep their doors open, and others have had to close them altogether. When a church closes, more than a building is lost. A piece

of its history, its traditions, its memories, and its place in the community disappears as well.

City Road Chapel has been part of this community for a very long time. Generations of people have walked through these doors to worship, pray, celebrate, grieve, serve, and grow together. We have a history worth preserving and a ministry worth continuing. But the future of our church depends on all of us.

So, what can we do?

- **Be here.** Our presence matters. A church is its people, and gathering together is what keeps a congregation alive.
- **Invite others.** A simple invitation to a friend, neighbor, or family member could be the beginning of something meaningful.
- **Get involved.** Volunteer, help with a ministry, attend church events, or find a way to use your gifts to serve.
- **Welcome people.** Make visitors and newcomers feel comfortable, valued, and genuinely glad they came.
- **Support our church.** Our ministry requires both time and financial support. Every contribution helps us continue the work God has given us.
- **Pray for our future.** Pray for our church, our leaders, our community, and for God to show us where we are needed.

We can't know exactly what the future holds, but we can help shape it. City Road Chapel has been here for generations. Let's do our part to make sure the doors remain open and the welcome remains warm for generations to come.

This Week at City Road Chapel

Sunday, September 6, 2026

- Praise Team Rehearsal – 8:00 a.m.
- Sunday Worship – 9:00 a.m.
- Discipleship Classes – 10:30 a.m.

Monday, September 7

- Office and services CLOSED for Labor Day

Tuesday, September 8

- Bingo Buddies – 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 9

- Showers of Blessing – 7:00 a.m. to noon
- Wednesday Prayer via Zoom – 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 10

- Men's Prayer Breakfast – 6:00 to 7:00 a.m.

Sunday, September 13

- Praise Team Rehearsal – 8:00 a.m.
- Sunday Worship – 9:00 a.m.
- Discipleship Classes – 10:30 a.m.



Greeter - Volunteers needed!

Coffee Maker - Susan Keel

Slideshow Creator - Susan Moore

Audio/Video - Jerry Bingaman

Welcome Desk - Philip Brown

Liturgist - Esther Walden

Scripture Reader - Jay Miller

Music Director - Brian Hanson

Singers - Anita Bingaman & Esther Walden

Bulletin & Newsletter - Angie Goodson

Pastor - Rena Knight

Communion Servers:

Jim & Esther Walden / Philip & Faye Brown

We need volunteers for Sunday services, including acolytes, greeters, and other ministry roles. Want to help? Contact the church office to join our rotation! We want **everyone** to have a chance to participate!