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A BUSY FALL AGAIN

Once again, the Campus Chapel community had a busy fall, full of activities both familiar and new. We saw the return of old favorites like sharing Wednesday Night Dinner and other meals *inside* the Chapel building and a mask-optional Game (Or Not) Night with snacks! There were the outdoor events that have sustained our community the last few years, such as the Dexter Cider Mill trip and our Kickoff Cookout. And we even brought back the Ecumenical Campus Scavenger Hunt with our Presbyterian, Lutheran, Methodist, and Episcopal friends.



Pastor Bailey and her dog, Jenkins, draw a crowd at Festifall, the annual student organization info fair, which was in-person again for the first time since 2019.



Clockwise from left: Sharing a celebratory post-baptism meal; Playing New York Slice at Game (Or Not) Night; Enjoying the Dexter Cider Mill; Installing the new sanctuary projector at our Fall Cleanup



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CHAPEL BABY BOOM

This fall has seen a surprising number of new arrivals in the Chapel community, and we're not talking about incoming first-year students! In the first two weeks of September, three Chapel families gave birth to baby girls at Mott Children's Hospital. The first, pictured here with the custom-embroidered baby blanket the Chapel gave her at her baptism, was born on September 2. Exactly one week later, on September 9, Pastor Matt and Marianne welcomed their daughter, Mirielle Anetta. And almost exactly 24 hours later (and three rooms down the hall!), the third little girl arrived.

None of these families have extended family in town, so the Chapel community has pitched in to help, especially with providing meals and childcare. It is a joy to see God already shaping these new lives and providing for their needs. We look forward to watching them grow in the years ahead.

After the birth of his daughter, Pastor Matt was able to take some time for paternity leave. That enabled other community members (and some outside help) to par-



ticipate in Chapel worship in new ways. We are very grateful to Matt Lenko for doing worship planning and leading, and to Mark Van Anandel (from Hesed Church in Detroit), Elizabeth Friedman (from Lord of Light Lutheran campus ministry), and our own Nathan Groenewold for preaching while Pastor Matt was away.



BLAST FROM THE PAST

Do you recognize these faces? Welcome to a new regular feature here in the *Inklings*. We have a treasure trove of old photographs from the long life of the Campus Chapel, and we want to share some of our favorites with you. Each issue we are going to include a blast from the past photo, and to make it a bit more fun we are not going to tell you anything about it... until the next edition of the *Inklings*. So here is our first photo. Watch this space in our winter issue to find out who these lovely people are and where this photo was taken. Or maybe you know already! If not, happy guessing!

CFS UPDATES

Our theological discussion group, God @ the Pub, is back this year, and actually meeting *inside* a local pub! We have commandeered one of the big round tables in the back corner of HopCat, and each month we dig into a interesting topic over beverages. While not everyone chooses to enjoy an adult beverage, the pub atmosphere lends itself to rich conversation and creative thinking. At our first meeting we discussed some recent textual analysis of John 11 done with Papyrus 66, one of the oldest versions we have of the gospel of John, and larger questions about Biblical manuscripts and transla-



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Kristin Kobes Du Mez

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tion traditions. On tap for the rest of the year are discussions of David Bentley Hart's work, a medical ethics conversation, Cole Arthur Riley and the Black Liturgies Project, and a follow-up to our fall speaker, Kristin Kobes Du Mez.

That lecture is fast approaching! If you are in the area, please join us on Wednesday, November 9 (the day after election day!) at 7:30 at the Rackham Auditorium. It is free to the public and no ticket is required. It will be a memorable evening!

SUPPORT OUR WORK!

The last few years have been challenging ones in so many ways. At the Campus Chapel and CFS we are feeling it, too, and our financial bottom line has taken a hit. We know God will continue to provide, but we also want to remind you that we need your support. Make a one-time donation, or set up a recurring monthly gift. If you shop with Amazon, you can support us by using their Amazon Smile program (choose us as your preferred charity, and we'll get a small portion of every purchase). And reach out to Pastor Matt (mattack@umich.edu) if you'd like to sponsor a specific Chapel or CFS event. You can fund Wednesday Night Dinner for an entire year, or underwrite the next CFS lecture!



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