

# King University Chapel Services

Fall 2018

Wednesdays, 9:15—10:00 am

The Chaplain's Office is located in the Tadlock-Wallace building. The Rev. Brian Alderman, Ph.D., serves as Chaplain (652-4708) and Ivy Ritchie is the Administrative Assistant to the Chaplain and the Peeke School of Christian Mission (652-4157). You are always welcome to stop by for conversation, coffee, or prayer.



**August 29, 2018**

**Rev. Jonathan Jonas** is a native of Abingdon, Virginia, and an alumnus of Emory & Henry College. After earning his Master of Divinity from Emory University's Candler School of Theology, he has served congregations in the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church for the past twenty-two years. His present assignment is to State Street United Methodist Church in Bristol, Virginia, where he has served as the senior pastor since 2014. He and his wife Suzanne Kinder Jonas have five children, Grace, Brett, Micah, Sage, and Josie.



**September 5, 2018**

**Rev. Skyler Daniel** is the University Chaplain of Averett University and Associate Pastor of West Main Baptist Church, in Danville, Virginia. Prior, he ministered at Project Ruth in Romania. This ministry in the poorest neighborhood of Bucharest provides schooling and other resources to marginalized children who have no access to education. Skyler holds a Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies from Lee University in Cleveland, TN and a Master of Divinity from the School of Divinity at Wake Forest University, in Winston Salem, NC. He is married with two munchkins: a 4 year old girl and 9 month old boy. Skyler lives in ACC country but was born in Knoxville and will always bleed orange.



**September 12, 2018**

**Rev. Sarah Morgan** is a North Carolina native, now living in Knoxville with her husband, Andy, and their nearly one year old son, Robert. She received degrees in Religious Studies and Human Services from Elon University and a Masters of Divinity from Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA. After living and working in Virginia for a few years, Andy and Sarah moved to Knoxville where she now serves as one of the pastors at Second Presbyterian Church. When she's not doing church things, she loves cooking, reading, and hanging out with her awesome family.



**September 19, 2018**

**Rev. Sam Weddington** joined the staff and community of First Presbyterian Church on August 1, 2018. Sam has served churches in New Jersey, Virginia, and Seoul, South Korea. Sam is joined in ministry with his wife Grace, who is also an ordained Presbyterian minister, and two children, Sammy and Joan. Currently he is pursuing a Doctor of Ministry degree from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, while already holding a Masters of Theology from Princeton Theological Seminary, and a Masters of Divinity from Union Presbyterian Seminary. Sam has deep family connections to the Bristol and Abingdon areas.



**September 26, 2018**

**Blaine Brown** is a native of Richmond, Kansas and an alumnus of U. of Saint Mary. He currently is the Head Baseball Coach and Assistant AD at King University. Prior to King, Blaine had coaching stops at the U. of Maryland, Slippery Rock University, and Drexel University. Blaine was baptized and confirmed while he was in college along with becoming a Eucharistic Minister. He has served on multiple mission trips, including trips to Central and South America. He and his wife Jenny Brown have been foster parents for 2 years. They have a 5 year old daughter Bella and a 3 year old son Quinton.



**October 3, 2018**

**Dr. Laura Ong** is an Associate Professor of Biology at King University, specializing in cellular biology, microbiology and molecular genetics. As an enthusiastic member of First Presbyterian Church, she enjoys singing in the choir and assisting with children's programs there. She is married to fellow professor Dr. Han Chuan Ong, and is mom to Noah, Moses and Joseph. Her chapel talk will reflect this year's King Institute of Faith and Culture theme, "Remembrance and Hope."



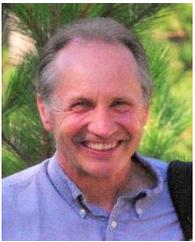
**October 10, 2018**

**Dr. David Taylor** holds a B.A. in Bible and Religion from King University, a M.Div. from Columbia Theological Seminary, a Th.M. in Pastoral Theology and Congregational Ministry from Princeton Theological Seminary, and a D.Min. in Engaging Mind and Culture from Biola University. He served as pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Floyd (Floyd, VA) from July 2003 - June 2013, and most recently as the Dean of Spiritual Formation (Chaplain) at Montreat College. He and his wife, Ginger, have four children (Caligan, Flynn, Ruby, and Jubilee). He loves playing music, running, motorcycles, and supporting Everton in the English Premier League.



**October 17, 2018**

**Dr. Chad Causey** joined OneHope, an international ministry committed to presenting the biblical message to children and youth, in 2001 after seven years of full-time youth ministry. For 13 years he served as the Vice President of Global Ministries and now holds the role of Vice President of Ministry Design, where he manages the integration of Theology, Research, Training, Strategy and Innovation into the mission and vision of OneHope. Chad holds a doctorate from Talbot School of Theology. He has served in the military, taught in school, worked in business, and pastored a local church. He has been married for 22 years to Jeannine, and is the proud father of four children: Abigail, Charles, Katherine and Caleb. The Causeys reside in Cleveland, GA.



**October 24, 2018**

**Dr. Fred Van Dyke** is the Executive Director of Au Sable Institute. Prior to coming to Au Sable, he served as professor and chair of the Biology Department at Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL, and the director of their Environmental Studies Program. Dr. Van Dyke received his Ph.D. in environmental and forest biology from the College of Environmental Science and Forestry, State University of New York-Syracuse. He has served as a wildlife biologist for the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, a scientific and management consultant to the National Park Service, and an ex officio member of numerous interdisciplinary management teams of the U. S. Forest Service. His studies of wildlife ecology, plant ecology and fire ecology have been widely published.



**October 31, 2018**

**Rev. Vincent Dial** serves as the minister at Bethel Christian Church and as the Chaplain for the Science Hill High School football program. After retiring as an educator for the Johnson City Public School System, he is still a strong advocate for the youth of Washington County, Tennessee and works to bring positive change to our community through his social justice ministry and community engagement. Reverend Dial has spoken and performed at a variety of community events, including Moms Demand Action Wear Orange Day in the summer of 2017.



**November 7, 2018**

**Dr. Thomas "Tee" Gatewood** is the pastor of Arbor Dale Presbyterian Church in Banner Elk, NC, where he has served for the last 8 years. Before coming to the mountains of Western North Carolina, Tee served in Baton Rouge and studied in Scotland and Canada. He is married to Kathryn and has two children: Thomas (13) and Sarah (12). When he isn't preaching or being a soccer dad, Tee enjoys good books, bike rides, and recovery meals.



**November 14, 2018**

**Rev. Elizabeth Patrick**, an ordained pastor of the Presbyterian Church (USA), is a graduate of Erskine College, Duke Law School, and Princeton Seminary. Elizabeth served as solo pastor of Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church in Sandy Springs, South Carolina before moving to Bristol to marry Dr. Bill Linderman, Professor of Mathematics at King University. Since moving to Bristol in 2008, Elizabeth has served as pulpit supply at a number of churches in the Tri-Cities and beyond. Currently, Elizabeth spends most of her time building Lego creations, breaking up squabbles, and otherwise caring for sons Henry (age 6) and Ben (age 4).



**November 28, 2018**

**Alexander Whitaker** has served as King University president since August 2016. He earned a Bachelor of Arts from Berry College in political science and his Juris Doctor from the University of Virginia. He also has a Master of Laws in International and Comparative Law from Georgetown University, a Master of Arts in Religion from Trinity School for Ministry, and a Master of Theology from Duke University. President Whitaker came to King from Berry College, where he was a senior officer of the college for nearly a decade serving as chief of staff and board secretary as well as overseeing Berry's major gift fundraising and planned giving. He has a long history of successful leadership in his professional, church, and civic endeavors, and a particular commitment to integrating free and robust academic inquiry with orthodox Christian faith and practice.