

## General Announcements

### **New Worship Styles at the 8:45 Service**

The first two months of 2018 have been a great opportunity to connect with God through worshipping in new ways. Many of you have provided input in regards to the changes. We will be working as a staff through the month of March to determine what kind of long-term decisions should be made about this service. Please continue to let Rev. Cook or Rev. Rogers know how you best connected with God.

### **We're getting a new email announcement service!**

We hope that you stay in touch with us during the week through our email announcements. If you do, then you will notice that the same emails will come to you from a new source in the coming weeks. We believe this change will help you get information clearer and more consistently. If for any reason you stop receiving our communication, please contact the church office to resolve any issues.

### **Easter Eggs Needed**

Stuffed eggs are needed for the Easter Egg Hunt on March 24. Bags of empty eggs can be picked up in the breezeway and narthex. Please return the eggs stuffed with candy, small toys, stickers, etc. by March 23. Please use wrapped candy only, and label hard candy.

### **Women's Retreat**

Please join us for the Women's Retreat at Cohutta Springs Conference Center, Sept. 14-16. The theme will be Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World, and the cost is \$225. Registration forms are available on the United Methodist Women ministry page on the church website. Please contact Jennifer Teahan at jentea74@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

### **Lenten Bible Study**

Throughout the six Sundays in Lent, there will be a study on Methodist Theology during the Sunday School hour. The group will read through *This We Believe* by Willimon. Join us in the Hospitality Room across from the church offices at 9:45 as we continue this series.

### **Wednesday Night Supper**

**Menu:** Chili Cook Off

**Make Reservations by Tuesday at Noon**

### **Youth Meals on Sunday Nights**

There is an opportunity to serve the youth group by providing a meal for UMYF on Sunday evenings. Email Will Goodwin or sign up online at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b44aea92ca64-meals>. The meal can be dropped off between 4:45-5pm in The Corner.

### **Midweek Messages Online**

Many of you have enjoyed the bi-weekly message written by the pastors here at Chamblee First. These messages have been added to the website underneath the sermon tab on the home page. You will be able to view and refer back to any message through use of this page.

### **Mark your calendar for Holy Week**

March 29 - Maundy Thursday Service @ 6:30pm

March 30 - Rise Against Hunger @ 6:00pm

April 1 - Easter Sunday

### **Chamblee First United Methodist Church**

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# Chamblee First United Methodist Church

February 25, 2018  
Confirmation Sunday

*Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors*

### **Three Things You Need to Know:**

1. Methodist Belief Study throughout Lent @ 9:45am
2. Chili Cook Off - Wednesday @ 6:00pm
3. Easter Egg Hunt - March 24th on Front Lawn



## **Welcome to Worship!**

What a privilege it is to come together in Christian fellowship to worship God! We are so glad that you have chosen to be with us today. Please sign the registration pads at the end of each pew so that we may have a record of your attendance. If you are a visitor, please fill out a blue information card in the pew back and place it in the offering plate. If you would like to become a member of Chamblee First UMC, please come to the chancel during the closing hymn. We invite you to be a part of our family. A nursery is provided in Room 100. Welcome!

# 11:00 am Order of Worship

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## Chiming of the Hour

**Greeting & Announcements** Rev. Jeff Rogers

**Prelude** Toccata Brillante Rae  
Mr. Bill Callaway, organist

**Choral Call** On Eagle's Wings Chancel Choir

**Invocation** Rev. Carol Cook

**\*Hymn** Standing on the Promises UMH 374

**\*Gospel Reading** Mark 8:31-38 Rev. Cook

## Service of Confirmation

**Prayer Concerns & Celebrations** Rev. Cook

**Prayer of Hope** Rev. Cook

## The 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, and the power and the glory forever. Amen

**Offertory** Be Thou My Vision Parker  
Chancel Choir with Mr. Callaway, pianist

**\*Doxology** UMH 94

**\*Prayer of Dedication** Rev. Rogers

## Time of Fellowship

**Children's Sermon** Ms. Chris Tench

**\*Hymn** Seek Ye First UMH 405

**New Testament Lesson** Romans 4:13-25 Rev. Rogers

**Sermon** "Hoping Against Hope" Rev. Rogers

## Invitation to Christian Discipleship

**\*Hymn** Here I Am, Lord UMH 593

**\*Benediction** Rev. Rogers

**Postlude** Postlude on "Ebenezer" Young  
Mr. Callaway, organist

\*Please stand as able

- Hearing Devices and Large Print Hymnals are available

- Please see an Usher if you need any assistance

## Memorial & Honorarium Donations

**In Memory of Bob Rose:** Penny Rose & Family, Ray & Crystal Dunahoo, Scott & Carol Cook, Holly Swing, Mel & Sylvia Masbruch, Barry & Janet Walsh, Martha Pirkle, Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Chambers, Mr. & Mrs. Jason Chambers, Mr. Chris Chambers, Charles & Susan Trawick, Teresa Jefferies, Troy & Delores Chambers, Mrs. J. W. Workman, Carolyn Herbig, Gwen Rose Byers, Frank & Opal Rose, Carole Moss, Nancy Lusk

**In Memory of Mary Lou Arthur:** Mary Ann Hubbard

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## New Testament Lesson

### Romans 4:13-25 (NRSV)

<sup>13</sup> For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup> If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup> For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup> For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup> as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup> Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." <sup>19</sup> He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup> No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup> being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

<sup>22</sup> Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup> Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup> but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup> who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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