

Church Life & Community

Chamblee First UMC helps people find peace and purpose within a Christian community. For our most current calendar, visit chambleeumc.org/happenings

Holiday Office Closure

Nov 27-29

The church offices will be closed all day on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. If you have a pastoral emergency, please call 404-999-4735. Happy Thanksgiving!

Hanging of the Greens

Nov 30, 10 am - 12 pm

Much help is needed to decorate our church for Christmas and prepare for Dec 1, the first Sunday in Advent. Working alongside your church family, please plan to make this celebratory event part of your after-Thanksgiving plans!

Cheers for Volunteers!

Dec 1, 12 noon

We are so thankful for the many volunteers and lay leaders who tirelessly give of their time and talents to support Chamblee First. Join us after worship for this special luncheon to thank and honor our volunteers. Everyone is invited! For headcount and catering purposes, please RSVP at chambleeumc.org/cheers



For Preschool and Elementary Kids and their Families, Room 223

Dec 1 Why Do We Call It Christmas?
Dec 8 The Very First Noel
Dec 15 The Music of Christmas
Dec 22 Gingerbread Bash

Poinsettias

orders due Dec 8

Each Christmas, poinsettias adorn our altar in Honor or in Memory of loved ones. Order forms are available in narthex, lobby, or online.

chambleeumc.org/happening/poinsettia



Breakfast with Santa

Dec 14, beginning at 8:30 am

Registration now open! Join us for this fun-filled morning that includes a pancake breakfast, crafts and games, and a visit with Jolly Old St. Nick. Reservations are required for photos with Santa. For details and to register visit chambleeumc.org/happenings

Live Nativity

Dec 15, 6:30 pm

Experience the majesty of Christmas through this Chamblee First tradition. One performance only, followed by cookies & cocoa.

Georgia Brass Band presents Joyful Noise for a Joyful Season

Dec 17, 7 pm

For more than a decade, this 30-member British-style brass band rehearsed and performed at CFUMC, and now they return to thank the congregation for the many years of support. Admission is free! Invite your friends and family to attend.

Local Outreach & Global Missions

2024 Angel Tree

order before Dec 4 for delivery by Dec 9

Our 2024 Angel Tree is dedicated to the Murphy-Harpst Children's Home where children and youth are provided a safe, stable place to find hope and healing. Your tax deductible gifts make wishes come true for the kids of Murphy-Harpst. For step-by-step shopping instructions, visit chambleeumc.org/angeltree

Angel Tree shopping list



Coat Drive

now thru Dec 15

Huntley Hills Elementary school is a Title 1 School, meaning that 60% of students receive free or reduced price lunch. The counselors have requested coats for students in need. Coats can be gently used, if recently laundered. Sizes 4T through Adult Medium. Please place coats in bins at located throughout the church. Thank you!

Classes & Groups

Faith Formation classes for ALL AGES meet Sunday mornings at **9:30 am**. Feel free to explore any and all classes to find the small group that is right for you!

Bridge Class

- Focuses primarily on relationships. Studies discuss popular culture, books, and current events that raise challenging questions. Members range from families with young children to established career professionals. **Room 200**

Faith Class

- The Faith Class is one of our largest Sunday school classes. Each Sunday begins with a short devotion by one of the class members followed by a prayer of concerns and praises. Lessons are led by individual class members using selected study material typically spanning four to fourteen weeks. The class supports missions of the church as well as class specific activities. **Room 204**

Fellowship Class

- True to our name, this class provides a friendly, supportive space for sharing and caring. We prioritize mission opportunities, whether through the church or for causes and needs we recognize. Members represent wide range of ages and family types. This nontraditional Sunday School class offers a great way to establish relationships and plug into the life of this church. **Room 207**

Glow Class

- One of Chamblee First's longest-standing classes, lessons are based on the Adult Bible Studies series. Most members are in their 70s or older and they share prayer requests weekly. **Room 123**

Journeys Class

- A casual class that studies a wide variety of different curriculum. The lessons are discussion-based to develop faith intellectually. Most members are nearing retirement age. **Room 205**

Chamblee Kids

Jordan Black | Director of Children's Ministries | jblack@chambleeumc.org

Elementary Sunday School, 9:30-10:30

- Our exciting programs, current curriculum, and mentors help children develop their faith in fun ways they can understand. Children age 2 through preschool meet in Room 101. Children grades K-5th meet in Room 223.

During Worship, 10:45-11:45

- Children grades K-5th are dismissed during the service for Kids' Church and can be picked up in Room 223 following the service.
- Children ages 2 through preschool will meet in Room 101 at both 9:30 and 10:45.

Nursery is available in room 100 during Sunday School and Worship Service for infants and toddlers. Additionally, a soothing room is available in the Narthex in back of the sanctuary.



India Gleason, Director of Youth Ministries
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CMY is an inclusive space for all youth, 6th - 12th grades. Join us for social events, spiritual exploration, and service opportunities.

Sunday mornings: 9:30-10:30 am

All students grades 6-12, are invited to participate in our current series, *I Am*. Come for coffee, snacks, and a deeper understanding of who Jesus is, what he offers to people, and how characteristics of Jesus can be applied to our own life and faith journey.

Sunday evenings: 5:00-7:00 pm

Experience meaningful discussions with a small group in a safe place to be your authentic self. All students and friends are invited to join us for worship, dinner, & games each Sunday!

Wonder-Full Wednesdays

All **Young Adults** are invited to gather each month for Wonder-Full Wednesday! A time of fun and fellowship during which we can learn to listen for God's persistent voice and fully embrace all God has planned for us. Reach out to Cameron Wilson for details.
cacwilson32@gmail.com



NOVEMBER 24, 2024

TEN FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

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We Welcome, Celebrate, and Embrace All

At Chamblee First UMC, we affirm that all people are created in the image of God and as beloved children of God. We believe that all people are worthy of God's unconditional love, grace, and inclusion. We embrace and celebrate the gift of diversity in our church and in our world. We recognize that while we may not all think alike on all issues, we can all Love God, Serve People, and Transform Lives in ministry together.

We proclaim this statement of welcome to all who have known the pain of exclusion or discrimination in the church or in society. And we invite all people to fully participate in the life of this community of faith. Together we support one another in our endeavors, and in doing so strengthen each other and the body of Christ in this world.

Welcome to Chamblee First United Methodist Church!

Attendance



Visitor Check-In

Whether a Visitor or a Member, we are glad you are with us today! We ask that you register your attendance by scanning the applicable QR code. Please let us know if you are new, would like to become a member, or are interested in more information about Chamblee First.



Member Check-In

Ways to Give

An offering is collected to support the work of Chamblee Methodist, sharing God's love with the world. Whether you are a church member, a regular worshiper, or an active participant in one of our ministries, your gifts are valued and appreciated. For those who prefer to contribute electronically,

- Give securely any time at chambleeumc.org/give
- Text the word **CHAMBLEE** to 73256 using your mobile device.

Christ the King Sunday

Today is Christ the King, or Reign of Christ, Sunday. On this final Sunday of the Christian year, we remember that the crucified Christ who reconciled the world to God on Easter is the same Christ who came as a humble infant in a manger on Christmas. Christ the King Sunday ushers us into Advent, which begins next week with a new sermon series titled, "**Stay Awhile.**"

Dec 1 You're Invited
Dec 8 We Have A Plan
Dec 15 Prepare the Way
Dec 22 Welcome In
Dec 24 Linger in the Light
Christmas Eve, 4pm & 6pm



CHAMBLEE

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Blair Zant, Senior Pastor
Zack Wright, Director of Music Ministries
Alexis Rodriguez, AV Engineer
Mellie O'Keefe, Kindergarten Director
Linda King, Hospitality & Member Care
Emily Jameson, PMO Director
Deanna Hamilton, Executive Director
India Gleason, Youth Director
Bill Callaway, Organist
Jordan Black, Director of Children's Ministries
Taylor Aycock, Nursery Coordinator

Worship Leaders & Staff

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Order of Worship

THE GATHERING

Chiming of the Hour
Call to Worship Rev. Blair Boyd Zant
Prelude *Voluntary on "We Gather Together"* Young
Mr. Bill Callaway, organist

THE GREETING

Welcome & Announcements Mrs. Mary Ruth Kearney
Time of Fellowship *

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Opening Hymn * *Lift High the Cross* UMH 159
stanzas 1, 3 & 4
Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer Mrs. Kearney
Refrain of Reflection *Draw The Circle Wide* Miller

THE OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering Rev. Zant
Offertory *Goodness of God* Johnson
Chancel Choir with Maggie Victorio-Mundie, vocalist
Dave Worley, guitarist, and Zack Wright, pianist
Doxology * UMH 95
Dedication of the Offering * Rev. Zant

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

"Love & Gratitude" Mrs. Jordan Black
After which, children grades K-5th are excused for Kid's Church in room 223

THE WORD

Scripture Matthew 22: 34-40 Mrs. Kearney
Sermon *Do Unto Others: Where Is the Love?* Rev. Zant

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Closing Hymn * *In Christ Alone* Getty and Townsend

SENDING FORTH

Benediction * Rev. Zant
Postlude *Come, Ye Thankful People Come* Woods
Mr. Callaway, organist

* During CFUMC services, we frequently **sit** to listen and **stand** for praise or response. If you have difficulty standing or are uncomfortable doing so, feel free to remain seated. No matter your posture, we invite you to spend this time of worship focused on worshipping the Lord.

Prayer Requests

Please keep these individuals in your prayers today and throughout the week. A complete list including **loved ones** and **ongoing needs** can be found at chambleeumc.org/weekly-prayer-list or by scanning this QR code. If you have a prayer request or a praise to share, email prayer@chambleeumc.org.



Prayer List

Our Members:

- Jean Mims, hospitalized at Eastside Medical with heart and kidney issues
- Jerry Smith, recovering at home, awaiting treatment
- Mel Masbruch, moved to Legacy Ridge memory care in Buckhead
- Candace Kortovich, recovering from successful hand surgery
- Joe Lipsky, recovering from cervical spinal surgery
- Jake Burkhardt, struggling with effects of CTE (Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy)

Our Members' Families:

- Diana Stephens, SIL of Lee Turner, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer
- Katie Zant, Pastor Blair's daughter, continuing treatment nearby
- Bruce Bennett, brother of Becky, awaiting treatment for neck pain
- Iris Montgomery, Susan Montgomery's granddaughter, recovering at home from spinal surgery
- Claire Winne, mother of Mark, recovering in rehab
- Stacy Jarrard Kelley, niece of Debbie Calvert, receiving radiation treatments after double mastectomy for triple negative breast cancer
- Mary Ellen Johnson, mother of Whitney, health challenges
- Lisa Bolt, mother of James Kingman, treatment for esophageal and liver cancer
- Tyler Marshall, nephew of Jo Burkhardt, dealing with bi-polar disorder
- Claire Rowell, wife of Jordan and DIL of Jan, maintenance treatments for brain tumor
- Nell Lanier, aunt of Jo Burkhardt, undergoing treatment for liver cancer in Mississippi

Our Sympathy to the family of:

- Robert Bruce Bennett, father of Michael Bennett, who passed away on Nov 6 in Lilburn. A celebration of life was held at Mountain Park UMC last week. Please keep the Bennett family in your prayers.

Celebrations

#DoUntoOthers began as a kindness movement and sermon series focused on attributes of the Golden Rule. A challenge was set forth to complete daily acts of kindness and be intentional about treating one another with civility and respect. In doing so, we dared to imagine the positive impact we might make within our community. As this campaign comes to an end, may its spirit continue, and may these acts have a ripple effect. **All glory and thanks be to God!**

- Convoy of Care Disaster Relief
- Atlanta United Watch Party
- Taste of Chamblee KidZone
- #DUO Tee Shirt Sunday
- Trunk of Treats Festival
- Men's Annual BBQ
- UMW Bake Sale Benefit
- Rooted Retreat at Glisson
- Family Service Sunday
- UMCOR Flood Buckets
- Youth Friendsgiving
- Thanksgiving Food Drive
- Community Engagement
- Suthers' Food Pantry
- Malachi's Storehouse

Church Financials & Leadership

Month-End Reporting

To request a full copy of the most recently approved financial reports, please email business@chambleeumc.org

Year to Date, as of Oct 31: Income = \$686,002 | Expenses = \$751,496

Annual Giving

- **2025 planning:** Last week, our Finance Chair shared the positive progress made toward our 2025 Annual Giving goals. If you have not done so already, please prayerfully consider pledging to support the coming year's operating budget. chambleeumc.org/stewardship-2025
- **2024 Year End & Extra Mile:** Our Finance Chair also addressed current year deficit and emphasized the importance of finishing strong by, 1) satisfying your 2024 pledge or planned giving, and 2) if possible, making an additional contribution before the end of the calendar year to help close our 2024 budget gap. Note "Extra Mile" on memo line of your check, or give online at onrealm.org/ChambleeUMC/give/extramile

Upcoming Meetings (revised dates & times!)

- Board of Trustees - Dec 12, 5:30 - 6:30 pm
- Finance Committee - Dec 12, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
- Administrative Board - Dec 17, 6:00 pm