

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

Church Business Office Holiday Hours

- Dec 24, 25 & 26: offices closed
- Sun Dec 28: worship at 10:45 AM
- Dec 29-31: 8:30 AM - 12 PM
- Jan 1 & 2: offices closed
- Jan 5: business hours resume, 8:30 AM - 4 PM
- Jan 6: PreK & Kindergarten resume

First Sunday after Christmas Day

Dec 28, 10:45 am

Unless otherwise communicated, Sunday School classes will not meet on Dec 29. The service for this final Sunday of 2025 will be a bit more relaxed and include a sing-along of most requested Christmas Hymns. Join us at 10:45 when Rev. Zant will conclude our *Thrill of Hope* sermon series with a message, "Still Hoping."

2025 Outstanding Pledge Balances

by Dec 31

Please login to onrealm.org to review your personal giving records and fulfill your 2025 pledge. If your situation has changed and you are unable to satisfy your pledge, please contact our Executive Director at dhamilton@chambleeumc.org so we can adjust accordingly. Every gift matters as we work to close out the fiscal year.

Undecorating the Church

Jan 3, 10 am - 12 pm

On the first Saturday of the new year, we will gather to pack up and put away our Christmas decorations and tidy up our church in preparation for 2026. Many hands make light work so please mark your calendar and plan to help.

ChambLEAD

Jan 23 & 24

Leadership Training for incoming Lay Leadership including church committee chairs, board members, and staff. Please RSVP to invitation emailed from Rev. Blair Boyd Zant and our Leadership Development & Nominations Committee.

Let Us Know You're Here



Visitor Check-In

Please take a moment to check in. We'd love to connect you with groups and activities of interest to you and your family. To use the QR code, open your smartphone's camera and point it at the code. A notification or link will appear. Tap the link to access the applicable attendance registration webpage.



Member Check-In

Prayer Requests

Please keep these individuals in your prayers tonight 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 prayers@chambleeumc.org.



Prayer List



What makes the Poinsettia so special? Some say the shape of the flower resembles the Star of Bethlehem, which led the Wise Men to Jesus. Others remark that the red petals represent the blood of Christ while the white petals represent His purity. At Chamblee First, poinsettias are donated to adorn our altar each Christmas in honor or memory of loved ones.

If you purchased a poinsettia, please remember to take it home with you following the service.

Thank you for worshipping with us this evening! We are grateful for your presence during this holy and joyful season. As we look ahead to the coming year, we invite you to explore worship, grow in faith, and discover meaningful ways to serve. Whether you're curious, searching, or ready to connect, our hope is to be a welcoming community where you and your family can belong..

- Our weekly worship service takes place Sundays at 10:45 AM.
- Nursery is available each Sunday for infants and toddlers and children age 3 years through PreK.
- We have Sunday School programs and student ministries designed especially for Kids in grades K thru 5 and for Youth in grades 6 thru 12.
- Faith Formation classes for all ages are held at 9:30 AM each Sunday.

Wherever you are on your journey, we look forward to getting to know you! Please stop by one of our Welcome Desks in the Narthex or Atrium Lobby, or reach out any of us for more information.



TO LEARN MORE ABOUT

- The mission & vision of Chamblee First United Methodist Church – please contact Rev. Blair Boyd Zant at bzant@chambleeumc.org
- What's new and exciting with our Children's Program and curriculum - please contact Jordan Black at jblack@chambleeumc.org
- Our inclusive, relevant Student Ministry & Chamblee Methodist Youth - please contact our Youth Council youth@chambleeumc.org
- Joining the church or member care – please contact Linda King at lking@chambleeumc.org
- Participating in worship music, the choir, and/or the bell choir – please contact Steve Crocker at scrocker@chambleeumc.org
- Sports and recreation programs – please contact Chad Henderson at recreation@chambleeumc.org
- Our Parents Morning Out program -- please contact Emily Jameson at pmo@chambleeumc.org
- Our preschool & kindergarten -- chambleemethodistkindergarten.org

For outreach opportunities, events, or community connections, please email communications@chambleeumc.org or visit www.chambleeumc.org



In Fall 2026, Chamblee First United Methodist Church marks its bicentennial – 200 years of faith, connection, and service. Join us throughout the year for special events and worship as we look back with gratitude and forward with hope. Whether part of the city, part of the church, or both, let's come together to celebrate the enduring spirit of Chamblee. chambleeumc.org/200years



CHAMBLEE FIRST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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December 24, 2025

Christmas Eve

Nativity Service, 4 pm
Communion Service, 6 pm

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Welcome to Chamblee First

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 Methodist United Methodist Church, and peace be with you!

Holy Communion

As United Methodists, we believe that all are welcome at God's Table. Our communion liturgy begins with words spoken on Jesus' behalf inviting "all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin, and seek to live in peace with one another." As all come to the table to partake in this holy mystery, we pray that these words are embodied in the life of everyone who comes. Ours is an open communion table. You do not have to be a member of this church, or of any church, to participate. **Everyone is invited!**

Ways to Give



Scan to Give

An offering is collected to support the work of Chamblee First UMC, 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 appreciated. For those who prefer to contribute electronically, give securely any time at chambleeumc.org/give. Or TEXT the word **CHAMBLEE** to 73256 using your mobile device.

Receiving and Passing the Light of Christ during the Candlelight Hymn, *Silent Night*

- Please light your candle from the person next to you.
- Do not tilt a lit candle. Hold the candle straight up and down, about chest high.
- On the last stanza *Silent Night*, raise your candle to represent the light of Christ illuminating the Sanctuary.
- As you depart the sanctuary, carefully extinguish your candle and place the unlit candle in the bins provided.



Order of Worship, 4 pm

THE GATHERING

CFUMC Advent Playlist
chambleeumc.org/Spotify-Advent

THE GREETING

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome

Rev. Blair Boyd Zant

Prelude

He Has Come for Us
Maggie Victorio-Mundie, vocalist
with Dave Worley, guitarist

Andrews

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

The Christ Candle

The Tucker Family

Advent Sung Response

Christ Be Our Light

Farnell

Christ be our light, shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.
Christ be our light, shine in your church gathered today.

Praise Song *

Go Tell It On The Mountain

Mercy Me

THE NATIVITY STORY

Christmas Reading

Luke 1: 26-33, Luke 2: 1-7

Hymn *

Away in a Manger
verses 1-2

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Christmas Reading

Luke 2: 8-20

Children's Homily

"O Come Let Us Adore Him"

Rev. Zant

Hymn *

Away in a Manger
verse 3

UMH 217

Innkeeper: Steve Crocker | Holy Family: The Thomason Family
Nativity Cast: CFUMC children, youth, and friends

THE OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering

Rev. Zant

Offertory

O Holy Night
Maggie Victorio-Mundie, vocalist with
Bill Callaway, pianist and Dave Worley, guitarist

Adam

Christmas Doxology *

tune: *The First Noel*

THE WORD

Message

A Thrill of Hope

Rev. Zant

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Candlelight Hymn *

Silent Night

UMH 239

SENDING FORTH

Dismissal with a Blessing *

John 1: 1-5

Rev. Zant

Postlude

Hark the Herald Angels Sing
Mr. Callaway, organist

Young

* Please stand as you are able

Order of Worship, 6 pm

THE GATHERING

CFUMC Advent Playlist
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THE GREETING

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome

Rev. Blair Boyd Zant

Prelude

Variations on "What Child is This?"
Mr. Bill Callaway, organist

Phillips

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

The Christ Candle

The Scarbrough Family

Advent Sung Response

Christ Be Our Light

Farnell

Christ be our light, shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.
Christ be our light, shine in your church gathered today.

Hymn *

Joy to the World
verses 1, 2, 4

UMH 246

THE OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering

Rev. Zant

Offertory

Jesus, What a Wonderful Child
Chancel Choir with Mr. Callaway, pianist
and Dave Worley, guitarist

Fettke

Christmas Doxology *

tune: *The First Noel*

THE WORD

Christmas Reading

Luke 1: 26-33
Luke 2: 1-20

Niki Wright and
Brady Wright

Sermon

A Thrill of Hope

Rev. Zant

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation, Confession & Pardon

UMH 12

Passing of the Peace

Great Thanksgiving &
The Lord's Prayer

Music During
Communion

O Holy Night
Maggie Victorio-Mundie, vocalist
Bill Callaway, pianist and Dave Worley, guitarist

Adam

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Candlelight Hymn *

Silent Night

UMH 239

SENDING FORTH

Dismissal with a Blessing *

John 1: 1-5

Rev. Zant

Postlude

Toccata on "Adeste Fideles"
Mr. Callaway, organist

Hustad

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