

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

CMK Spirit Night at Chick-fil-A Brookhaven

Feb 23, 4:00 - 10:00 PM

EAT MOR CHIKIN and support Chamblee Methodist Preschool & Kindergarten. Ordering on the CFA app? Tap "Community Cares Event" at checkout to contribute. Ordering at the counter? Let the team member know you are there for Spirit Night to contribute. Only at the Brookhaven location, 4046 Peachtree Rd, NE (across from Dresden Dr.)

Glisson's Grow Day Camp

registration now open

CFUMC is thrilled to host Grow Day Camp again this summer, **June 22 - 26**. Grow Day Camps has over 100 years of experience creating environments for children to grow deeper roots in their faith, in their ability to work as a team, and in their self-confidence as a loved child of God. Register your rising 1st-6th grader at growdaycamps.org

Pies with a Purpose

Feb 23 - Mar 18

Chamblee Methodist Kindergarten & Preschool is selling "Darden's Delights" sweet or savory pies. All flavors available in 6" (\$15) or 9" (\$30) sizes. Proceeds benefit the CMK scholarship fund. Orders due Mar 18 and will be delivered to the school on Mar 31.

www.chambleemethodistkindergarten.org/FundRaise

Call for Easter Eggs

Mar 1 - Mar 25

Looking for an Egg-Cellent Way to Serve Our Community? Our egg hunt is right around the corner, and we have an egg-citing goal to fill 5,000 eggs! This year's eggs will be shared between Chamblee UMC's egg hunt and the Chamblee Police Department's Easter Festival. Empty eggs will be available in the Narthex and Atrium beginning Sunday, Mar 1. Please return your filled eggs by Wednesday, Mar 25.

Chamblee Methodist 2026 Scouting Celebration

Mar 15, during & after worship

As part of our year-long bicentennial, we are excited to recognize and honor the long-standing tradition of Scouting – both boys and girls – at Chamblee First UMC. Current Scouts and alumni will lead us in worship, followed by a picnic and campus-wide activities. Volunteers are needed! Please contact Scott or Sheila Gillispie to help.

chambleeumc.org/Scout-Sunday

Women's Spiritual Retreat

deposit due Mar 29

All adult women are invited to the CFUMC Women's Spiritual Retreat at Hinton Rural Life Center in Hayesville, NC, September 18–20, 2026. Whether you are seeking rest, spiritual growth, or deeper fellowship, this weekend is designed to nourish your soul in a peaceful, beautiful setting. Register today at chambleeumc.org/retreat



CMY Sunday Mornings: 9:30 AM
Every week brings something new and coffee is always on—iced or hot! We welcome young people in grades 6 through 12 interested in studying Scripture, exploring their faith, and building relationships with Christ and other students.

TONIGHT, Feb 22: 5:00 - 7:00 PM
We will meet and depart from Youth Space at 5 PM to visit the Elaine Clark Center to see our murals and learn about their work, followed by supper at IHOP - Chamblee Plaza. Drivers are needed—please contact Emily or Pastor Blair. Youth should bring money for dinner and be picked up at IHOP at 7 PM.

Chamblee Kids

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

Elementary Sunday School, 9:30-10:30

Our fun-filled programs and age-appropriate curriculum help children develop their faith in meaningful, understandable ways.

Room 101 - Children ages 3 through preschool | **Room 223** - Children in grades K-5th

During Worship, 10:45-11:45

- Children ages 3 through preschool are welcome in **Room 101** for the worship hour.
- Children in grades K-5th begin the worship hour in the sanctuary. Following the Children's Moment, they are dismissed for Kids' Church in **Room 223**.

Nursery is available in Room 100 during Sunday School and Worship Service for infants and toddlers. A **calming room** is available in the Narthex at the back of the sanctuary.

Classes & Groups

Faith Formation Classes for ALL AGES meet Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. We encourage you to explore any and all classes to find the small group that is right for you! Learn more at chambleeumc.org/sunday-school

Grace Class

- A group whose name reflects its very values: open invitation and radical welcome; relevant for diverse ages, life experiences, and perspectives; open acknowledgement of our perfect imperfection; and a deep desire to grow together in the transformational love of God. May grace abound! **Room 200**

Faith Class

- Faith Class begins each begins each Sunday with a short devotion followed by a prayer of concerns and praises. One of CFUMC's largest faith formation groups, 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. **Fellowship Hall**

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 uses current short-term studies (6 to 8 weeks) by various authors to grow in our knowledge and understanding of our faith. The lessons are discussion based where open conversation is encouraged and where all can explore and share their faith journey alongside others. **Hospitality Suite**

Other ways to connect, try something new, & build relationships with your church family:

Young at Heart

First Tuesdays, 12:30 pm

A monthly lunch & gathering for our 65+ community. Lunch is \$10 per person, payable in cash at the door. RSVP to lking@chambleeumc.org

Young Adults

Every other Tuesday, 7-8:30 pm

A vibrant group where young people (approx. ages 20-35) can grow in their faith, connect with others, and serve our community together. For details, contact Cameron Wilson at cacwilson32@gmail.com

Christian Yoga

Wednesdays, 10:45-11:45 am

Christian yoga (poses, meditation, breathing) opens the mind and heart to the word of God. chambleeumc.org/yoga

StitchCraft

Wednesdays, 12:30 pm

Do you enjoy knitting, crocheting, quilting, needlepoint, sewing, or other handicrafts? It's even more fun in fellowship with other crafters! No RSVP needed -- just bring your supplies and join us!

Bible Study

Wednesdays at 6 pm -or- Thursdays at 1 pm

Choose the day and time that is best for you. Bring your Bible – and a readiness to listen, discuss, and wonder together. Questions: sjrubino73@yahoo.com

ROMEOS

Second Thursdays, 8 am

A breakfast club for CFUMC retired men ... and men who are not yet retired! No RSVP needed. Join us at Goldberg's Deli, 4520 Chamblee Dunwoody Road.

United Methodist Women

Monthly

UMW is a community of women growing in faith, uplifting one another, and serving God through mission. At CFUMC, four unique Circles offer meaningful ways to connect, grow, and make a difference—new faces are always warmly welcomed! For info & meeting times, email umw@chambleeumc.org

Global Missions & Local Outreach

Ongoing

CFUMC believes in working with local partners to serve and build a better community – globally, locally, and right here in Chamblee. To learn more or participate in an upcoming project, visit chambleeumc.org/missions



Backpack Buddies

weekly

Every week of the school year, CFUMC provides nourishment to local children who have little or nothing to eat on weekends. You can help by participating in a planned packing event or assembling a group and scheduling another. For more info or to sign up, visit <http://tinyurl.com/BackpackBuddiesSignup>



FEBRUARY 22, 2025

TEN FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

4147 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd, Atlanta, GA 30341

770-457-2525 | chambleeumc.org

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!

 Our sanctuary is equipped with devices to assist those who are hearing impaired. To use a hearing device, simply ask an usher or the sound technician upon arrival.

Let Us Know You're Here



Visitor
Check-In

Please take a moment to check in! We'd love to connect you and your family with groups and activities that may be of interest to you. To use the QR code, open your smartphone's camera and point it at the code. A notification or link will appear — tap it to access the appropriate attendance registration page. Members may also check in using **Realm Connect**, available on the App Store and Google Play.



Member
Check-In

Ways to Give



Scan 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, you may text the word **CHAMBLEE** to 73256 using your mobile device OR give securely any time at chambleeumc.org/give

Lenten Season & Easter Services

Richest Gain a Lenten Journey of Loss & Life

Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain, but if it dies it bears much fruit. - *John 12:24*

chambleeumc.org/Lent&Easter

Sundays at 10:45 AM
February 22 - March 29

Table to Tenebrae Service & Supper
6:00 PM | Thursday, April 2

Easter Sunday Services
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM | April 5



CHAMBLEE

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Leaders & Staff

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Order of Worship

THE GATHERING

As We Come Together

CFUMC Playlist
chambleeumc.org/Spotify-Songs

THE GREETING

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome &
Announcements

Mrs. Deanna Hamilton

Prelude

O God, Be Merciful Unto Me
Mr. Bill Callaway, organist

Bach

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

Lenten Call to Worship

John 6: 35

Rev. Blair Boyd Zant

Opening Hymn *

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
v. 1,2,3 & 5

UMH 139

Prayers of the People
& The Lord's Prayer

Mrs. Hamilton

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Picture This!

Mrs. Jordan Black

After which, children grades K-5th are excused for Kid's Church in room 223. They will return to Sanctuary for Holy Communion.

THE OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering

Rev. Zant

Offertory

O Love
Chancel Choir with
Mr. Callaway, organist

Hagenberg

Doxology *

Prayer of Dedication *

Rev. Zant

THE WORD

Scripture

Matthew 4: 1-11

Mrs. Hamilton

Sermon

Richest Gain:
When We Choose to Lose

Rev. Zant

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Time of Prayer

The altar rail is always open for anyone who would like to come and pray in response to the Word

Closing Hymn *

Sweet, Sweet, Spirit

UMH 334

SENDING FORTH

Benediction *

Rev. Zant

Postlude

Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts
Mr. Callaway, organist

Saint-Saëns

* please stand as you are able

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:

- Eleanor Wilson, struggling with strength and energy
- Martha Simpson, recovering from a fall at Breman Jewish Center
- Becky Bennett, continuing recovery and awaiting treatment options
- Jake Burkhardt, continuing to recover at home with PT

Our Members' Families:

- Andrew Rivas, 9 yo grandson of Linda King, recovering from a broken collar bone
- Ford King, 1-yo grandson of Linda King, upcoming follow up surgery on his fingers
- Travis Coker, father of Sheila Gillispie, recovering from a fall
- Larry Buchanan, father of Sabrina Viner, upcoming back surgery
- Trevor McEntyre, nephew of Sam and Gayle, recovering from liver transplant and heart bypass surgery
- Sue Lemerman, sister of Barbara Roberts, recovering from a broken ankle and serious leg injury
- Mary Jordan, cousin of Bill Farkas, diagnosed with kidney cancer
- Lori Fancher, SIL of Mike and Sandra, dealing with pancreatic cancer

Church Financials & Leadership

Church Business Office Hours

- Mondays - Thursdays, 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
- Fridays, 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Upcoming Meetings

Scan the QR code for our current roster of 2026 Lay Leaders

- Administrative Board - Feb 23 | 6:00 PM
- Staff Parish Relations Committee - Mar 2 | 6:00 PM



Lay Leaders

Deeply Rooted.  Ever Growing.

Fall 2026 marks the bicentennial of Chamblee First United Methodist Church — 200 years of faith, connection, and service. Join us throughout the year for special events and worship services as we look back with gratitude and look forward with hope.

- February - April: Lent & Easter Services
- March 15: Scouting America Alumni Day
- March 22: Chamblee Methodist Kindergarten Reunion
- May 3: "Hymns Through the Decades" Musical tribute
- July 19: Recognition of Community Partners
- August 16: Drama Program Broadway Review
- September 12: Alumni Basketball tournament
- October 4: Culminating Event & Bicentennial Celebration!

chambleeumc.org/200years