

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

Solar Panel Dedication

April 26

Join us after worship next Sunday as we celebrate and dedicate our new solar panel system! This special moment marks our commitment to creation care and faithful stewardship of the resources God has entrusted to us. Help welcome special guests from Sunpath, GIPL (Georgia Interfaith Power & Light), and the United Methodist Connectional community as we dedicate this project together. As we recognize April as Earth Month, this dedication is a meaningful step in caring for God's creation while supporting the mission and sustainability of our church.



City of Chamblee Public Input Meeting

April 30, 6:00 - 7:30 PM

CFUMC is serving as a gathering place for this City of Chamblee community meeting focused on the proposed Huntley Hills Park. This is an opportunity for residents to offer input on park concepts, community needs, and proposed amenities. For more info, visit chambleega.com

Women's Spiritual Retreat

registration deadline extended

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

VBS Volunteers Needed

This summer, we need adults and youth to help our kids find their strength in God! To review various needs and signup, visit chambleeumc.org/vbs-2026

Hymns Through The Decades

May 3, 10:45 AM

In celebration of our 200th anniversary, our music team will lead a special worship service featuring a musical tribute that highlights beloved hymns across the decades.



Rev. Hope Cody Peppers | hcopeppers@chambleeumc.org
Pastor of Youth & Community Engagement

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

CMY Sunday Mornings: 9:30-10:30 am

Every week brings something new! We welcome young people in grades 6 through 12 interested in studying Scripture, exploring their faith, and building relationships with Christ and other students.

CMY Sunday evenings: 5 - 7 pm

Food, fun, friends, and faith—see you tonight at CMY!

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.

Summer 2026

- CFUMC **Vacation Bible School**, June 15-19, 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM. For rising PreK through rising 5th grade. Filling up fast! Register at chambleeumc.org/vbs-2026
- CFUMC is thrilled to host **Glisson's Grow Day Camp** again this summer, June 22-26. For rising 1st-6th graders. Learn more and register at growdaycamps.org

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!
- 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

Next Stop: Youth Ministry!

Calling all current 5th graders and their families — we're excited to celebrate your promotion to Chamblee Youth this summer! This milestone marks the transition from children's ministry into a brand-new Youth Ministry adventure. **To stay updated, email Jordan Black** at jblack@chambleeumc.org with the name of your rising 6th grader.

Pastor Hope Cody and the Chamblee Youth team can't wait to welcome you to a summer full of new friendships, deeper faith, and high-energy fun!



APRIL 19, 2026

TEN FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY


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

Deeply Rooted. **200** Ever Growing.
YEARS

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. See the most current calendar at chambleeumc.org/200years

CHAMBLEE
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Blair Boyd Zant, Senior Pastor

Rev. Hope Cody Peppers, Pastor of Youth and Community Engagement

Taylor Aycock, Nursery Coordinator

Jordan Black, Director of Children's Ministries

Bill Callaway, Organist

Steve Crocker, Director of Music Ministries

Deanna Hamilton, Executive Director

Emily Jameson, PMO Director

Linda King, Hospitality & Member Care

Mellie O'Keefe, Kindergarten Director

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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

Rev. Blair Boyd Zant and
Rev. Hope Cody Peppers

Prelude

Echoes of Spring
Mr. Bill Callaway, organist

Friml

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

Call to Worship

Ms. Cate Wright

Miss Cate Wright

Opening Hymn *

This Is the Day

UMH 657

Prayers of the People &
The Lord's Prayer

Mr. Jason Sansbury

Passing of the Peace *

CHILDRENS MOMENT

Mrs. Jordan Black with
Miss Aubrey Crye and
Miss Claire Watts

After which, children in grades K-5th
are excused for Kid's Church in room 223

Encounter Retreat Video

THE OFFERING

Invitation to the
Offering

Miss Ellison Laba

Offertory

Firm Foundation
Chancel Choir with Mr. Callaway, pianist

Doxology *

UMH 94

Prayer of Dedication *

Miss Elizabeth Dunlap

THE WORD

Scripture

Jeremiah 1: 4-10 (CEB)

Mstr. Brady Wright

Sermon

CONFIRMED

Rev. Zant

SERVICE OF BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Closing Hymn *

Shine, Jesus, Shine
verses 1 & 3

TFWS 2173

SENDING FORTH

Benediction *

Rev. Zant

Postlude

Tocatta in E minor
Mr. Callaway, organist

Pachelbel

* please stand as you are able

Celebrating our Confirmands

Today, we are delighted to welcome six wonderful young people into full membership in the life of the church. Through Confirmation, each baptized Christian becomes a professing member of the local congregation and the United Methodist Church. We celebrate this important step of faith as they publicly affirm their commitment to Christ and the Church. Please be in prayer for them as they profess and live out their faith each day:

- Aubrey Crye
- Ellison Laba
- Brady Wright
- Elizabeth Dunlap
- Claire Watts
- Cate Wright

Celebrating Our New Members

Today, we warmly welcome our newest members to Chamblee First UMC!
The Crye Family – Jason, Kendall, and Aubrey –
joining on transfer of membership from Dunwoody Presbyterian

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:

- Ron Clyne, hospitalized with infection
- Pat Farkas, upcoming surgery for cancer on May 15
- Becky Bennett, undergoing radiation treatments for cancer
- Eleanor Wilson, struggling with strength and energy
- Jake Burkhardt, continuing to recover at home with PT

Our Members' Families:

- Ben Heyward, upcoming surgery the last week of April to correct a vision problem
- Richard and Dotty Casper, parents of Dave (Donna Shackley's BIL), Richard is battling a rare blood disease and facing hospice care
- Mickey Kitchens, uncle of Sheila Gillispie, recovering from knee replacement
- Brian Wright, uncle of Sheila Gillispie, recovering from double bypass surgery
- Annie May Walker, mother of Louise DeCastro, will celebrate her 100th bday on 4/24
- Trevor McEntyre, nephew of Sam and Gayle, continuing recovery from liver transplant and heart bypass surgery

Our Sympathy to the families of:

- Lori Fancher, SIL of Mike and Sandra, who passed away after a battle with cancer. A celebration of Lori's life will be held at 11 AM, Monday, April 20 at Gwinnett Church, 300 Peachtree Industrial Blvd, Sugar Hill, GA 30518
- Jacquelyn Green-Latimore, mother of Autumn Green, one of our PMO teachers, who passed away unexpectedly on April 25

Church Financials & Leadership

Rise Up, Phase 2

now through April 30

Rise Up launched earlier this month in an effort to retire the remaining \$85,000 debt from recent building improvements. As of 4/17/26, we are at 33% of our fundraising goal. Gifts may be made now or recorded as pledge payable through the end of the year. Visit chambleeumc.org/RiseUP for details.

Upcoming Meetings

- Finance Committee - April 19 | 6:00 PM
- Administrative Board - April 24 | 6:00 PM

Church Business Office Hours

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

Please visit chambleeumc.org/leadership for our current Lay Leadership roster and Chamblee First UMC year-to-date financial reports as of March 30, 2026.

Rise Up Campaign

33% OF OUR GOAL



VISIT chambleeumc.org/RiseUP