

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

Summer SPLASH
Today, 12 -2 pm
Fun for all ages, including a water slide, dunk tank, and games on the lawn. Purchase lunch from the *Fair on Wheels* food truck and enjoy participating in -- or just watching -- the water game fun!

2025 VBS “Road Trip”
June 16-20, 9 am- 12:30 pm


- Rising kindergarten thru rising 5th graders register at chambleeumc.org/happenings
- Adult & Youth volunteers still needed! Explore various ways you can help at chambleeumc.org/happenings

Grow Day Camp
limited space still available
Chamblee First UMC is thrilled to host Grow Day Camp again this summer, July 14-18, 9:00 am-5:30 pm (Mon-Thurs) and 9 am-12:30 pm (Friday). Learn more and register your rising 1st-6th grader today at growdaycamps.org

Current Sermon Series

Glory! Hallelujah!

Apr 27 - May 25
During this 5-week series, we will celebrate the hope fueled, good news of Jesus' defeat of death and gift of new life! Join us Sundays at 10:45 am as we give thanks for the impact of Christ's church in our lives and community.
chambleeumc.org/watch-archive



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
Students grades 6-12 are invited to participate in our current series, DILEMMAS. This study is designed to help students make inspired, smart choices that reflect both who they are and who they are striving to become. Coffee and snacks provided.

Sunday evenings: 5:00-7:00 pm

- **TONITE** - Final CMY of the school year. Don't miss it!

Check out CMY summer plans at chambleeumc.org/youth



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

- Most Sundays, following the Children's Moment, children grades K-5th are dismissed for Kids' Church and should be picked up in Room 223 on the 2nd floor after the service.
- At both 9:30 and 10:45, children ages 2 through preschool meet in Room 101.

Nursery care is available in Room 100 during Sunday School and Worship Service for infants and toddlers. **A calming room is also 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!

- Grace Class**
 - A new 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**
- Bridge Class**
 - Focused on building strong Christian foundations and evolving relationships. Discussions include popular culture, books, and current events that raise challenging questions. Members range from families with school-aged children to established career professionals. **Hospitality Suite**
- 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. **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 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. **Room 205**

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

- Christian Yoga**

Mondays, 10:30-11:30 am
Christian yoga (poses, meditation, breathing) opens the mind and heart to the word of God. All are welcome! chambleeumc.org/yoga
- Young at Heart**

First Tuesdays, 12:30 pm
A monthly lunch & gathering for our 65+ community. Lunch is \$8 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. Reach out to Cameron Wilson at cacwilson32@gmail.com for details.
- StitchCraft**

Wednesdays, 12 pm - AND - 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 10 am
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! Contact umw@chambleeumc.org for info and meeting times.
- Global Missions & Local Outreach**

year round
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
May 21 & 27 at 2pm
Every week, CFUMC provides nourishment to local children who have little or nothing to eat on weekends. Help is needed for our final packing events and school deliveries this school year.
<http://tinyurl.com/BackpackBuddiesSignup>



MAY 18, 0025
TEN FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK
Graduate 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!



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.



Visitor Check-In



Member Check-In

Welcome! We are glad you're here with us today. Please scan the appropriate QR code so we can connect you with activities and ministries that may interest you and your family. The form includes space for you to provide contact information and for you to submit any questions. We would love the opportunity to get to know you better!


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

The flowers on the altar this morning are placed in honor of
Zack Wright and his son Oliver

Thank you for your joyful contributions to our Music Ministry!

While we are saddened to see Zack Wright leave us today, we are grateful for the impact he has had on the Music Ministry of Chamblee First UMC. If you would like to contribute to a Staff Love offering, please make your check payable to Chamblee First UMC with "STAFF LOVE" in memo line or give online at onrealm.org/ChambleeUMC/give/staff



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Order of Worship

THE GATHERING		
Chiming of the Hour		
THE GREETING		
Welcome & Announcements		Mr. Cameron Wilson
Prelude	<i>Pomp and Circumstance March</i> Mr. Bill Callaway, organist	Elgar
PRAISE & THANKSGIVING		
Call to Worship	Revelation 21: 1-6	Miss Emi Sarago
Opening Song *	<i>Jesus Paid It All</i>	Shane & Shane
Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer		Mr. Wilson
Passing of the Peace		
CHILDREN'S MOMENT		
"Milestones"	After which, children grades K-5th are excused for Kid's Church in room 223	Mrs. Jordan Black
THE OFFERING		
Invitation to the Offering		Rev. Zant
Offertory	<i>O Love</i> Chancel Choir with Mr. Callaway, pianist	Hagenberg
Doxology *		UMH 95
Prayer of Dedication *		Rev. Zant
THE WORD		
Scripture	Acts 9: 36-43	Dr. Zeak Black
Sermon	Consider This	Rev. Zant
RESPONSE TO THE WORD		
Affirmation of Faith UMH 881	The Apostles' Creed	Miss Kate Sarago
Hymn *	<i>Draw The Circle Wide</i>	W&S 3154
RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES		
Congratulations to the Class of 2025		
CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY		
Found Farewell to Zack Wright & Oliver		
SENDING FORTH		
Benediction *		Rev. Zant
Postlude	<i>Howe Great Thou Art</i> Mr. Callaway, organist & Mr. Zack Wright, pianist	Hine


* Please stand as you are able

Celebrations

Today we recognize the hard work and academic accomplishments of graduates at all levels. Congratulations to the Class of 2025!	
Dr. Ezekiel Black	Zeak earned his Ph D in English from Georgia State University. <i>The Black Pack</i> , a.k.a. Jordan, Zach & Thea, are very proud of him!
Kara Henderson	a graduate of St. Pius X Catholic High School, Kara will be attending Georgia College this Fall.
R. Kel Henderson	a graduate of St. Pius X Catholic High School, Kel will be attending Georgia Southern University this Fall.
Grace Psalmonds	a graduate of Chamblee High School, Grace will be attending Georgia State University. Gracie was baptized at CFUMC, attended CMK, and, throughout her childhood, was active in CFUMC's children's choir, programs, and missions.
Emi Sarago	a graduate of Chamblee High School, Emi will be attending Georgia Tech this fall where she will major in Psychology and minor in Health & Medical Sciences.
Kate Sarago	a graduate of Chamblee High School, Kate will be attending Purdue University on a softball scholarship. She will be majoring in Biomedical Health Sciences.
Dr. Sarah Van Duser	Sarah earned her Doctor of Physical Therapy and her MBA in Healthcare Management. She will begin her career with Commonwealth Hand & Physical Therapy in Lexington, KY.

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

- Rob Forrest, struggling with blood pressure issues.
- Marsha Jones, recovering from complications from surgery
- Laura Ray, recovering at home from COVID and back surgery
- Jerry Smith, undergoing treatments for cancer
- Eleanor Wilson, struggling with various health issues. She will be 100 on 7/4
- Debbie Hall, undergoing treatment for breast cancer
- Jake Burkhardt, struggling with effects of CTE (Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy)

Our Members' Families

- Praise! Stacy Jarrard Kelly, niece of Debbie Calvert, received a clean pathology report
- Marlee Newbill, suffering from back pain, may need surgery
- Doug Rewerts, brother of Marcia Myers, recovering from heart surgery
- Jean Connell, sister of Eleanor, declining health
- Diana Stephens, SIL of Lee Turner, battling pancreatic cancer
- Bruce Bennett, brother of Becky, awaiting treatment for neck pain

Church Financials & Leadership

Upcoming Meetings & Key Dates	
• <i>Mon, May 19, 6 pm:</i>	Finance Committee, room 200 & ZOOM
• <i>Tue, May 20, 6 pm:</i>	Missions Committee, room 203 & ZOOM
• <i>Tue, May 20, 6 pm:</i>	Leadership Development & Nominations, Hospitality Suite
• <i>Mon, May 26, all day:</i>	offices of CFUMC closed for Memorial Day