

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

Celebrating our United Methodist Connection TODAY

CFUMC is pleased to welcome Rev. Dr. Michael McQueen to lead us in worship, alongside Rev. Zant. Dr. McQueen serves the North Georgia United Methodist Conference as District Superintendent for the South Central District

GLORIA! A Choral Concert TODAY, 4 pm

An inspiring afternoon of music live in our sanctuary, jointly presented by the choirs of Cannon UMC and Chamblee First UMC. Experience beautiful works by Rutter, Nelson, and Hagenberg, accompanied by organist Bill Callaway and a brilliant brass ensemble. **Childcare is available**, and the concert is **free** to attend. Donations to our music programs are greatly appreciated. onrealm.org/ChambleeUMC/give/JointChoir



Calling all 2025 Graduates now through May 9

During worship on May 18, we will recognize the Class of 2025. Whether graduating from high school, college, tech school, or earning an advanced degree, please submit names/photos of all graduates to be celebrated. chambleeumc.org/2025graduates

CMK Spirit Night May 13, 4-9 pm

What's better than pizza and ice cream? 15% of all proceeds! Plan now to enjoy dinner at Vintage Pizzeria Chamblee and dessert at Frosty Caboose, both benefitting Chamblee Methodist PreK & Kindergarten. Be sure to mention "CMK" at checkout.

Summer SPLASH May 18, 12 -2 pm

Let's celebrate the accomplishments of our graduates and kick off summer together! Fun for all ages, including a water slide, dunk tank, and food trucks.

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

- 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.
- Today, May 4, Kids will brought back to the sanctuary in time for Holy Communion.**
- 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.**

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
Join us tonight as we begin a new series titled, "What If?" We'll spend the next few weeks considering what it means to make a difference, whether individually or collectively. Come explore how God works through us to address others' needs, encourage rest, help someone heal, or right a wrong.

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 studies a wide variety of different curriculum. The lessons are discussion-based to develop faith intellectually. Most members are nearing retirement age. **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 lean more or participate in an upcoming project, visit chambleeumc.org/missions



MAY 4, 2025

TEN FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER


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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.

Attendance



**Visitor
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!



**Member
Check-In**

Holy Communion & Passing of Peace

As United Methodists, we believe that all are welcome at God's Table. You do not have to be a member of this church, or of any church, to participate. During communion, the passing of peace serves as a reminder that those who came to the table are called to be reconciled with their neighbors. Ours is an open communion table. **Everyone is invited!**

- Our ushers will direct you to the altar to receive communion. If you need/prefer to receive communion from your pew, please let the usher know and elements will be brought to you. Gluten-free elements are available upon request.
- Today, as always, the altar rail of Chamblee First UMC is open if you wish to use it for a moment of private prayer.

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



CHAMBLEE
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Leaders & Staff

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Order of Worship

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| THE GATHERING | | |
| Chiming of the Hour | | |
| THE GREETING | | |
| Welcome & Announcements | | Rev. Blair Boyd Zant |
| Prelude | <i>Precious Lord, Take My Hand</i> Mr. Bill Callaway, organist | arr. Bish |
| PRAISE & THANKSGIVING | | |
| Call to Worship | Revelation 5: 11-14 | Rev. Zant |
| Opening Hymn * | <i>Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee</i> | UMH 89 |
| Prayers of the People | | Ms. Linda King |
| CHILDREN'S MOMENT | | |
| Stay Curious | 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>Come Thou Fount</i> Chancel Choir with Mr. Callaway, pianist | arr. Nelson |
| Doxology * | | UMH 95 |
| Prayer of Dedication * | | Rev. Zant |
| THE WORD | | |
| Scripture | Psalms 100 | Rev. Zant |
| Sermon | Make A Joyful Noise | Rev. Dr. Michael McQueen |
| THE HOLY COMMUNION | | |
| Invitation, Confession & Pardon | | UMH 12 |
| Passing of the Peace | | |
| Great Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer | | |
| RESPONSE TO THE WORD | | |
| Closing Hymn * | <i>Lift Every Voice and Sing</i> verse 1 | UMH 519 |
| SENDING FORTH | | |
| Benediction * | | Rev. Zant |
| Postlude | <i>The Throne Room March</i> Mr. Callaway, organist | Williams |
| * Please stand as you are able | | |

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

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:**
- Laura Ray, at home with COVID, recovering from back surgery
 - Marsha Jones, recovering from surgery for cancer
 - Spencer Scarbrough, continuing treatment for kidney issues
 - Jerry Smith, undergoing treatments for cancer
 - Eleanor Wilson, struggling with various health issues. She will be 100 on Jul 4
 - Debbie Hall, undergoing treatment for breast cancer
 - Jake Burkhardt, struggling with effects of CTE (Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy)
- Our Members' Families:**
- Doug Rewerts, brother of Marcia Myers, recovering from heart surgery
 - Minako Ohashi, mother of Miho Minnoch, recovering at home
 - Jean Connell, sister of Eleanor, declining health
 - Aiden Hare, grandson of Pat and Bill Farkas, recovering from 2nd degree burns
 - Claire Winne, mother of Mark, recovering at home
 - Diana Stephens, SIL of Lee Turner, dealing with pancreatic cancer
 - Bruce Bennett, brother of Becky, awaiting treatment for neck pain
 - Stacy Jarrard Kelley, niece of Debbie Calvert, receiving radiation treatments after double mastectomy
 - Mary Ellen Johnson, mother of Whitney, health challenges
 - Lisa Bolt, mother of James Kingman, treatment for esophageal and liver cancer

Celebrations

Welcoming New Members
On May 11 during our worship service, we'll be widening the table and welcoming several new members into the fellowship of our congregation. Glory! Hallelujah! If you would like to speak with Rev. Zant about becoming an official member of Chamblee First United Methodist Church, please call the church office, or email bzant@chambleeumc.org.

New Accreditation for CMK
Congratulations to Chamblee Methodist Preschool & Kindergarten for earning their certification as a 'Program of Excellence' by the North Georgia UMC Preschool Directors Association. CMK Director Mellie O'Keefe and CMK Board Chair Ann Hammond were recognized on April 30 at Grayson UMC.



Church Financials & Leadership

Month-End Reporting
YTD as of Mar 31: Income = \$186,842 | Expenses = \$274,091
To request a full copy of the most recently approved financial reports, please email business@chambleeumc.org

- Upcoming Meetings**
- Mon May 5, 6 pm:* Staff Parish Relations Committee
Questions, comments, or compliments can be addressed to spr@chambleeumc.org
 - Mon May 12, 6 pm:* Board of Trustees