

## 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](http://chambleeumc.org/happenings)

### Graduate Sunday

May 17, 10:45 am

During worship next Sunday, we will recognize the Class of 2026. Congratulations to our high school, college, tech school, and advanced degree graduates!

### CMK Spirit Night

May 12, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

We are wrapping up the school year at Unkie's Pizza – a CMK family-owned restaurant. – located at 3400 Clairmont Road, Suite A, Brookhaven, GA. 10% of all Dine In and Pickup Orders benefit Chamblee Methodist PreK & Kindergarten. Mention "CMK" at checkout.

### 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](http://chambleeumc.org/retreat)


### Chamblee First UMC is Hiring

[chambleeumc.org/employment](http://chambleeumc.org/employment)

We are currently seeking two key team members:

- Church Administrator
- Facilities & Campus Activities Manager

If you or someone in your network might be a great fit, we'd love for you to help spread the word! Please direct inquiries to [spr@chambleeumc.org](mailto:spr@chambleeumc.org)



**Rev. Hope Cody Peppers** | [hopepeppers@chambleeumc.org](mailto:hopepeppers@chambleeumc.org)  
Pastor of Youth & Community Engagement

**Chamblee First Youth** is an inclusive space for all youth, 6th - 12th grades. **LEARNING | PLAYING | GROWING**

**Sunday Mornings:** 9:30-10:30 am  
**Sunday Evenings:** 5:00-7:00 pm [chambleeumc.org/youth](http://chambleeumc.org/youth)

## Chamblee Kids

Jordan Black | Director of Children's Ministries | [jblack@chambleeumc.org](mailto: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-5<sup>th</sup>

### During Worship, 10:45-11:45

- Children ages 3 through preschool are welcome in **Room 101** for the worship hour.
- Children in grades K-5<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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](http://growdaycamps.org)

### Next Stop: Youth Ministry!

June 7

Calling all current 5th graders — 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. **ATTENTION PARENTS!** Please email the name of your rising 6<sup>th</sup> grader to Jordan Black at [jblack@chambleeumc.org](mailto:jblack@chambleeumc.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](http://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 Sunday with a song, followed by a short devotion and prayers 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 ten 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. **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 [king@chambleeumc.org](mailto:king@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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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](http://chambleeumc.org/missions)



### CFUMC Bed DELIVERY Event

May 30, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Sleep in Heavenly Peace and CFUMC volunteers are working to ensure, "no kid sleeps on the floor in our town!" Meet at CubeSmart Storage, 4444 N. Shallowford Road in Dunwoody at 8:30 AM, and be sure to wear closed-toed shoes. Scan the QR code for info and to register.



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MAY 10, 2026  
TEN FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK

MOTHER'S DAY


4147 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd, Atlanta, GA 30341  
770-457-2525 | [chambleeumc.org](http://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](http://chambleeumc.org/give)



Wesley Woods offers safe and supportive living for low-income senior adults in Georgia. Our annual Mother's Day **special offering** ensures that residents, regardless of income, can continue to live in a Wesley Woods home. By assisting with shelter, healthcare, and other necessities, elderly residents are able to maintain a decent and dignified life. Please join us in giving generously to this Methodist foundation.

Use the special envelope for additional gifts of cash or checks, payable to CFUMC with memo "Wesley Woods." Or online at [onrealm.org/ChambleeUMC/give/MothersDay](http://onrealm.org/ChambleeUMC/give/MothersDay)



**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

Alexis Rodriguez, AV Engineer

## Worship Leaders & Staff

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## Order of Worship

### THE GATHERING

As We Come Together

CFUMC Playlist

[chambleeumc.org/Spotify-Songs](http://chambleeumc.org/Spotify-Songs)

### THE GREETING

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Blair Boyd Zant & Mrs. Mary Ruth Kearney

Prelude

*Meditation on "Thais"*  
Mr. Bill Callaway, organist

Massenet

### PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

Call to Worship

Rev. Hope Cody Peppers

Opening Hymn \*

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

UMH 92  
v. 1-4

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Mrs. Kearney

Passing of the Peace \*

### CHILDRENS MOMENT

CMK Joyful Noise Choir

Mrs. Jordan Black  
Ms. Summer Rowell  
Mrs. Michelle Watts

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

### THE OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering



Wesley Woods  
Mothers Day Offering

Rev. Blair Boyd Zant

Offertory

*A Joyful Call To Praise*  
Chancel Choir with  
Mr. Callaway, organist

Larson

Doxology \*

UMH 94  
LASST UNS ERFUEN

Prayer of Dedication \*

Rev. Zant

### THE WORD

Scripture

John 14: 15-21

Mrs. Kearney

Hymn of Preparation \*

*Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above*

UMH 96

Sermon

**A New Spirit Is Coming**

Rev. Zant

### RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith \*

The Apostles' Creed

UMH 881

Closing Hymn \*

*Spirit of the Living God*

UMH 393

### SENDING FORTH

Benediction \*

Rev. Zant

Postlude

*God of Grace and Glory*  
Mr. Callaway, organist

Manz

\* 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](http://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](mailto:prayer@chambleeumc.org)



Prayer List

*Our Christian Sympathy to the family of Mrs. Eleanor Wilson, who passed away on May 1<sup>st</sup> at the age of 100. A celebration of life was held yesterday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.*

### Our Members:

- Becky Bennett, recovering from complications from biopsy
- Pat Farkas, upcoming surgery for cancer on May 15
- Jake Burkhardt, continuing to recover with PT

### Our Members' Families:

- Ben Heyward, brother of Eleanor, recovering from successful surgery to correct a vision problem
- Richard and Dotty Casper, parents of Dave (Donna Shackley's SIL), Richard is battling a rare blood disease and facing hospice care
- Mickey Kitchens, uncle of Sheila Gillispie, recovering knee replacement
- Brian Wright, uncle of Sheila Gillispie, recovering from double bypass surgery
- Trevor McEntyre, nephew of Sam and Gayle, continuing his progress

## Church Financials & Leadership

### Church Business Office Hours

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

### Upcoming Meetings

- Board of Trustees - May 11 | 6:00 PM
- Finance Committee - May 18 | 6:00 PM
- Missions & Outreach Committee - May 19 | 6:30 PM

Please visit [chambleeumc.org/leadership](http://chambleeumc.org/leadership) for our current Lay Leadership roster and Chamblee First UMC year-to-date financial reports as of March 31, 2026.

## VBS Needs You!

VBS happens each year because of the amazing volunteers who spend their week sharing the love of Jesus with the kids from our church and community. We are still in need of **3 class leaders** to serve with our amazing VBS 2026 team. To register, email [jblack@chambleeumc.org](mailto:jblack@chambleeumc.org) or visit [chambleeumc.org/vbs-2026](http://chambleeumc.org/vbs-2026).



## A Different Kind of Love Offering

As is our tradition at Chamblee First UMC, we honor departing staff with a love offering. Instead of receiving a personal monetary gift, our Executive Director, **Deanna Hamilton** has requested that any gifts in her honor be directed to the Rise Up Campaign. As of April 30, we had reached 54% of our \$85,000 goal.

Nothing would please Deanna more than to leave knowing the capital expenditures debt has been further reduced. We celebrate her four years of dedicated leadership and invite those who feel led to give accordingly. Please indicate "Rise Up" on the memo line of checks or cash envelopes, or give online at [chambleeumc.org/RiseUP](http://chambleeumc.org/RiseUP)

Please join us on **Sunday, May 31** for Deanna's final Sunday, with a time of fellowship immediately following the worship service.