# 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

# **July Sermon Series**

Throughout the summer, our worship hour will center on learning to love the way that scripture shapes our faith story. Guided by *Inspired* by Rachel Held Evans, we will explore how the Bible invites us into a living, breathing relationship with God—through stories of faith, struggle, hope, and grace. In tandem with "Good Reads" Summer Sunday School, we'll cover 6 books over 5 weeks!



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# **Community Outreach Packing Events**

## TODAY, 12 noon

After worship, stay for a pizza lunch and help us pack 200 food bags in support of DeKalb County Schools Read and Rise DeKalb program and Mountain Park UMC's Lunches of Love program. See our website for details and additional dates.

# **Young Life Leader Interest Night**

July 28, 7 pm

Young Life is now recruiting post-high-school age volunteer leaders to serve Chamblee, Dunwoody, North Springs, and Mount Vernon. Young Life Leaders have the opportunity to impact lives by walking alongside students in the most crucial moments of their developing lives. Interested in learning more? Attend YL Leader Interest Night hosted by Grace Midtown, 579 Travis Street NW. Food trucks will be onsite for dinner!

# **Back-to-School Supply Drive**

through July 31

Let's make sure every child starts the year ready to learn! Support Huntley Hills Elementary and other local Title 1 schools by donating school supplies. Shop online and ship directly to the church, or drop items in labeled bins in the breezeway or narthex. For a list of most needed items and an Amazon link, visit chambleeumc.org/School-Supplies

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India Gleason, Director of Youth Ministries igleason@chambleeumc.org

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

Sunday mornings: 9:30-10:30 am

For the next few weeks, rising 6th-12th grade students will participate in the "Good Reads" Summer Sunday School experience in Fellowship Hall.

CMY Summer Sundays: Come hang out, enjoy a meal, and connect with friends as we soak up the summer together. Bring a friend! All youth are welcome! | July 20 | (1) 5 pm – 7 pm | 📍 The Corner



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**

- 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 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

## "Good Reads" Summer Sunday School Jul 6 - Aug 3 at 9:30 am | Fellowship Hall

Looking for a meaningful and flexible way to grow your faith this summer? Join us for a drop-in Sunday school experience that brings all classes together in one space. Each week, a different church member or staff leader will share a book that has deeply impacted their faith journey. No need to commit every week—each session stands on its own and includes engaging teaching, thoughtful discussion in small and large groups, and real-life application. This series runs alongside our *Inspired* sermon series—we'll explore 6 powerful books in just 5 weeks! Come as you are, and discover faith through stories. Learn more at chambleeumc.org/inspired

Our regular Faith Formation Classes will resume on Sunday, August 10. We encourage you to explore any and all classes to find the small group that is right for you!

## **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. 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! The final session of the summer July 28. Our normal schedule will resume in August. 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

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.

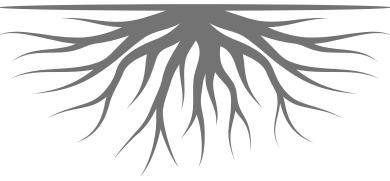
# **Global Missions** & Local Outreach

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* 



# CHAMBLEE FIRST





JULY 13, 2025 TEN FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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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



Check-In

We are glad you are 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. To use the QR code, open your smartphone's camera and point it at the code. A notification or link will appear. Tap the link to access the applicable attendance registration webpage.



Member Check-In

# 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 Scan to Give chambleeumc.org/give



# Staff Love Offering



Our Youth Ministry Director, India Gleason, will be leaving us on July 20. If you would like to express your appreciation for India's faithful service, you are invited to contribute to a Staff Love Offering. Please submit your gift by July 15.

- check payable to Chamblee First UMC with "Staff Love" noted on memo line (do NOT write her name on check)
- online at onrealm.org/ChambleeUMC/give/staff
- text "CHAMBLEE staff" to 73256

# CHAMBLEE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# Worship Leaders & Staff

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Rev. Blair Boyd Zant, Senior Pastor Taylor Aycock, Nursery Coordinator Jordan Black, Director of Children's Ministries Bill Callaway, Organist India Gleason, Youth Director Deanna Hamilton, Executive Director Emily Jameson, PMO Director Linda King, Hospitality & Member Care Lauren Sangster, Interim Music Director

Mellie O'Keefe, Kindergarten Director

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# Order of Worship

## THE GATHERING

Chiming of the Hour

# THE GREETING

Ms. Leslie Hall Welcome & Announcements

Prelude Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken Haydn Mr. Bill Callaway, organist

### **PRAISE & THANKSGIVING**

Call to Worship Exodus 20: 1-6 Rev. Blair Zant

**UMH 89** Opening Hymn \* Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee v. 1, 2, 3

Prayers of the People Ms. Hall and The Lord's Prayer

# **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Rev. Zant and **Baptismal Covenant** Rev. Cecilia Tucker

Congregational Child of Blessing, Child of Promise UMH **611** Response verse 1

# **CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

Big God Story Mrs. Jordan Black

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

# THE OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering Rev. Zant

Offertory "O Lord Most Holy" Russell

vocalists Elizabeth Jameson & Lauren Sangster accompanied by Mr. Callaway, organist

UMH **95** Doxology \*

Prayer of Dedication \* Rev. Zant

## THE WORD

Scripture Luke 4: 16-22 Ms. Hall

Stand and Deliver Rev. Zant Sermon

# **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

Closing Hymn \* It Is Well With My Soul UMH **377** 

# **SENDING FORTH**

Benediction 3 Rev. Zant

Postlude The Heavens Are Telling Beethoven Mr. Callaway, organist

# **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:**

- Debbie Hall, completed treatments for breast cancer
- Jerry Smith, continuing treatments for cancer
- Eleanor Wilson, struggling with various health issues.
- Jake Burkhardt, struggling with effects of CTE (Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy)

## **Our Members' Families:**

- Shaun Reade, SIL of Pat and Bill Farkas, upcoming hernia surgery
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- Bruce Bennett, brother of Becky, healing for foot and neck pain
- Todd Van Duser, brother of Brad, battling cancer
- Shelby Bryce, 2 yr old of Lee Turner, recovering from surgery related to spina bifida
- Jean Connell, sister of Eleanor Wilson, declining health
- Diana Stephens, SIL of Lee Turner, battling pancreatic cancer
- cancer

# Our Sympathy to the family of:

• Don Dunahoo, younger brother of Ray Dunahoo, who died on July 1. A celebration of life was held on July 8 in Winder, GA.

# Celebration of Baptism



Please welcome to our Family of Faith Cecilia James Tucker born December 5, 2024 daughter of Kara & Danielle Tucker and granddaughter of Rev. Cecilia Tucker

# Church Financials & Leadership

# **Upcoming Meetings**

- Board of Trustees: Mon, July 14, 6:00 pm
- Missions Committee: Tue, Jul 15, 6:30 pm
- Finance Committee: Mon Jul 28, 6:00 pm (rescheduled)

# **Summer Hours Notice**

- Through August 15, church business offices will be open Monday Thursday, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm and closed on Fridays.
- Regular business hours will resume the week of August 18: Monday Thursday, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm, and Fridays, 8:30 am - 12:00 noon.



Chamblee First United Methodist Church is collecting a special UMCOR offering to support disaster relief in Central Texas and other areas of the U.S. To contribute, please make a check payable to Chamblee First UMC with "Disaster Relief" noted on the memo line. Or, you may give online at onrealm.org/ChambleeUMC/give and select DISASTER RELIEF from the drop-down menu.

Please continue to pray for those who have lost loved ones and for all who have been impacted by this devastating disaster.

<sup>\*</sup> please stand as you are able