

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

### Cards for Our Troops now through Jul 31

Your opportunity to serve those who serve. Throughout the month of July, prepare cards for deployed soldiers as a show of care and support. Blank cards are available in the Atrium and Narthex for you to write while you are here, or take a few home and return. An uplifting word or bible verse goes a long way to boost morale. Add a sticker for fun! Leave completed cards in the baskets. These will be sent to *Support Our Troops* in Ayden, NC for distribution by Military Chaplains. For more info, visit [supportourtroops.org](https://supportourtroops.org)

### Blessing of the Backpacks Aug 4, during worship

Remember to bring your backpack to church for the blessing of students and teachers as they begin a new school year.

### Back to School Bash Aug 4, 12 - 2 pm

Don't let the end of summer burst your bubble! Join us for a fabulous FOAM party to celebrate the start of a new school year. Hosted by Chamblee Methodist Youth and Chamblee Kids, all are invited for pizza, popsicles, and sudsy fun. No charge to attend but RSVPs are requested. [chambleeumc.org/foam](https://chambleeumc.org/foam)

### National Night Out Aug 6, 6 - 9 pm

Join us at City of Chamblee Police Headquarters for an evening of fun, community, and safety awareness! This is a fantastic opportunity to visit with neighbors, connect with local law enforcement, and meet your city leaders.

### City of Chamblee presents 10,000 Maniacs Aug 9

As a sponsor of the Summer Concert Series, we need enthusiastic volunteers to represent our church at the final show of the season. [chambleeumc.org/happenings](https://chambleeumc.org/happenings)

### CMK Summer Camps Aug 12-16, 9 am - 1 pm

Chamblee Methodist Kindergarten is hosting day camps for children who will be age 3 by Sept 1 through rising 1st graders. Staffed by CMK teachers, each week is filled with a variety of fun activities. [chambleemethodistkindergarten.org](https://chambleemethodistkindergarten.org)

### Barbecue Lovers Unite!! Aug 25, after worship

Save the date for this annual BBQ lunch & fundraiser! See [chambleeumc.org/bbq](https://chambleeumc.org/bbq) for details and order form. **Interested in joining the 'cue crew?** Stop by the Welcome Desk in the Narthex or Atrium to be connected to a Pit Master!

## Church Financials & Leadership

### Month-End Reporting

A hard copy of the latest financial report is available for your review at the Atrium Desk or you may request that a copy via email at [business@chambleeumc.org](mailto:business@chambleeumc.org)

- Year to Date, as of **June 30**: Income = \$406,615 | Expenses = \$448,323

### Upcoming Meetings

- UMW Board Meeting (Jul 30); Trustees Meeting (Aug 4)

## Classes & Groups

Faith Formation classes for ALL AGES meet Sunday mornings at **9:30 am**. Feel free to explore any and all classes to find the small group that is right for you!

### Bridge Class

- Focuses primarily on relationships. Studies discuss popular culture, books, and current events that raise challenging questions. Members range from families with young children to established career professionals. **Room 200**

### Faith Class

- The Faith Class is one of our largest Sunday school classes. Each Sunday begins with a short devotion by one of the class members followed by a prayer of concerns and praises. 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**

## Chamblee Kids

Please direct questions about Children's Ministry to [childrens@chambleeumc.org](mailto:childrens@chambleeumc.org)

### Sundays:

- Join us on the PRAYground for FUNday school!** For the remainder of summer, we will not be holding a traditional Sunday School class for children. Families are invited to join us on the playground during this time.
- Children grades K-5th are dismissed during the service for Kid's Church and can be picked up in Room 223 following the service.
- Nursery** is available during the service for infants through preschool. A soothing room is available in the Narthex (back of the sanctuary.)



India Gleason, Director of Youth Ministries:  
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CMY is an inclusive space for all youth, grades 6-12.  
**Welcome new rising 6th graders!** Join us for social events, spiritual exploration, and service opportunities.

### Summer Schedule:

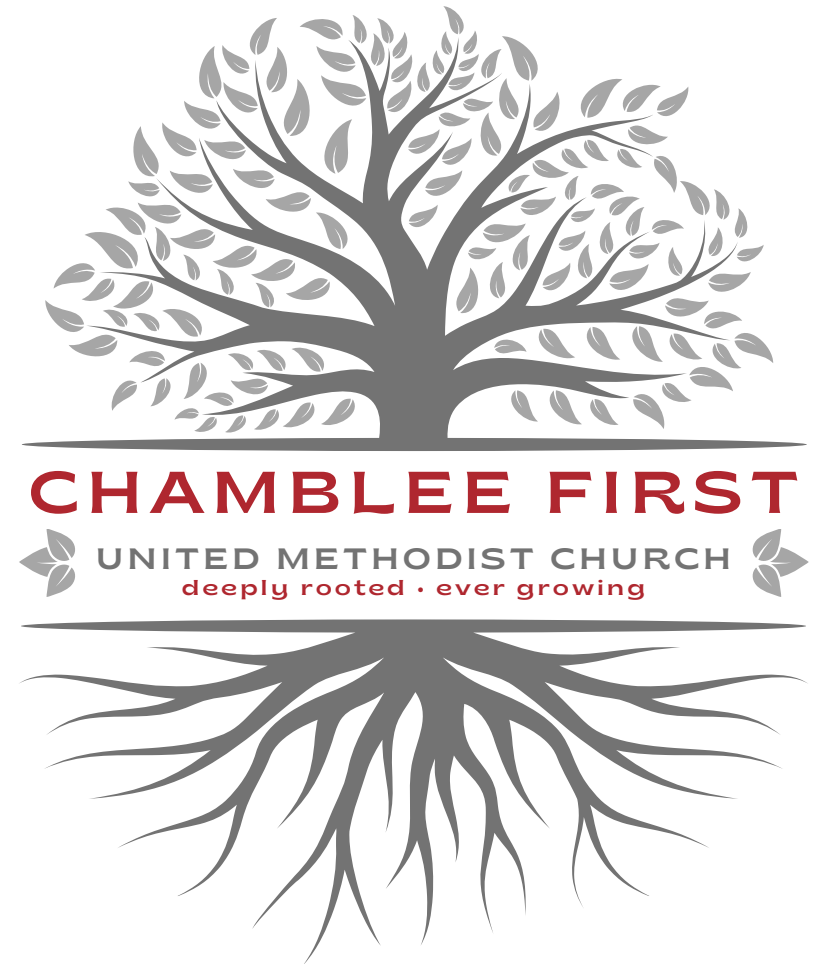
- Sunday mornings: 9:30-10:30 in The Corner
- Sunday evenings: meetups and suppers will resume Aug 11

### Upcoming Events:

- Jul 19** - Gwinnett Stripers vs Charlotte Knights baseball game

## Wonder-Full Wednesdays

All **Young Adults** are invited to gather each month for Wonder-Full Wednesday! A time of fun and fellowship during which we can learn to listen for God's persistent voice and fully embrace all God has planned for us. Reach out to Cameron Wilson at [cacwilson32@gmail.com](mailto:cacwilson32@gmail.com) for details.



JULY 14, 2024  
TEN FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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770-457-2525 | [chambleeumc.org](https://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 Methodist!

## Order of Worship

### THE GATHERING

At the sound of the chimes, please prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

Prelude *Toccata in F Major* Bach  
Mr. Bill Callaway, organist

### THE GREETING

Welcome Mr. Cameron Wilson

Time of Fellowship\*

Opening Hymn \* *Blessed Assurance* UMH 369

### PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer Mr. Wilson

Choral Response *O Lord Most Holy (Panis Angelicus)* Franck  
Mrs. Lauren Sangster, soloist accompanied by Mr. Callaway

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Storytime with Pastor Blair *Giraffes Can't Dance* Rev. Blair Zant

After which children grades K-5th are excused for Kid's Church.

### THE OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering Rev. Zant

An offering is collected to support the work of CFUMC in sharing God's love with the world. You may offer a gift as the plate is passed. Or text the word CHAMBLEE to 73256

Anthem *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* Beethoven  
arr. Fred Bock

Doxology \* UMH 95

Blessing of the Offering \* Rev. Zant

### THE WORD

Scripture 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 (NRSV) Rev. Zant

Sermon **Footloose Faith: Dancing through Disdain**

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed \* UMH 881

### SENDING FORTH

Closing Hymn \* *Lord of the Dance* UMH 261  
verses 1, 2 & 5

Benediction \* Rev. Zant

Postlude *Hornpipe from "Water Music Suite"* Handel  
Mr. Callaway, organist

\* During CFUMC services, we frequently **sit** to listen and **stand** for praise or response. If you have difficulty standing or are uncomfortable doing so, feel free to remain seated. No matter your posture, we invite you to spend this time focused on worshipping the Lord.

## 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 Members:

- Jerry Smith, scans show successful removal of cancer and he is now in remission, Praise the Lord!
- Allen Barbee, recovering from fractured ribs after a fall at home
- Eleanor Wilson, under hospice care at home, doing well.
- Kathy Heller, finished radiation treatments for lung cancer awaiting scans
- Robear Stumpe, undergoing treatment for prostate cancer
- Jake Burkhardt, struggling with effects of CTE (Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy)

### Our Members' Families:

- Tyler Marshall, nephew of Jo Burkhardt, dealing with bi-polar disorder, searching for a new job with less stress
- Cynthia Wilson Czerwonka, sister of Sandra Fancher, dealing with spinal nerve pain
- Bruce Bennett, brother of Becky, awaiting surgery to relieve neck pain
- Stan Cowan, brother of Joy Hawkins, upcoming surgeries
- Ken Dickey, son of Fran, recovering from knee replacement and bone surgery
- Bill Dickey, BIL of Fran, upcoming surgery for bladder cancer
- Stacy Jarrard Kelley, niece of Debbie Calvert, recovering from a double mastectomy after completing her chemotherapy for an aggressive form of breast cancer.
- Terri Kromer, niece of Marie Glover, struggling with ovarian cancer
- Claire Rowell, wife of Jordan and DIL of Jan, continuing maintenance treatments for brain tumor
- Nell Lanier, aunt of Jo Burkhardt, undergoing treatment for liver cancer in Mississippi

### Our Christian Sympathy to the family of

- Gayle Ehrig, who passed away on July 2. A celebration of life is scheduled for July 20 at 10 am in the sanctuary, immediately followed by a reception in Fellowship Hall

## Celebrations



Last week, Chamblee First was home to Glisson's GROW day camp. We hosted 27 enrolled campers, 5 Experiential Leadership Institute (ELI) participants, and 3 summer staffers. Whether through daily worship services, playing in our meadow, or enjoying a giant water slide, these young people practiced living out their faith in ways that foster connection to God and to one another through love, acceptance, presence, and grace. **Praise be to God!**

## News from the Conference

### Welcome back, Bishop!

Bishop Robin Dease has been assigned to the Georgia Episcopal Area of The United Methodist Church for the 2024-2028 quadrennium. Bishop Dease will serve as bishop to the North and South Georgia Conferences beginning September 1.

This announcement came on Thursday evening of the 2024 Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference held July 10-12 at Lake Junaluska, NC. Bishop Dease was elected bishop by the 2022 Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference of The United Methodist Church and consecrated on November 4, 2022. Her first assignment as bishop was to the North Georgia Conference.

Bishop Dease is one of 10 active bishops serving the 14 annual conferences that make up the Southeastern Jurisdiction. The SEJ Committee on the Episcopacy reported the assignments. Rev. Dr. Byron Thomas and Rachel Fullerton represent the North Georgia Conference on the committee.

## Attendance



Visitor Check-In

Whether a Visitor or a Member, we are glad you are with us today! Please check-in to connect with this faith community. Simply scan the appropriate QR code to register your attendance.



Member Check-In

### Chamblee First UMC Summer Worship Series



**TODAY "Footloose Faith: Dancing through Disdain"** | 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 with Classical music led by the Chancel Choir & organist Bill Callaway

**Jul 21 "24/6"** | Mark 6:30-34, 53-56; Psalm 23 with Southern Gospel music led by Bob Lingle

**Jul 28 "A Crowded Table"** | John 6:1-21 with Acoustic music led by the CFUMC Praise Band

**Aug 4 "#OneWith"** | Ephesians 4:1-16 with special music TBA

For a video replay of any service, visit [chambleeumc.org/watch-archive](http://chambleeumc.org/watch-archive)



### Worship Leaders & Staff

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Rev. Blair Boyd Zant, Senior Pastor  
Deanna Hamilton, Executive Director  
Taylor Aycock, Nursery Coordinator  
Bill Callaway, Organist  
Children's Ministry Council  
India Gleason, Youth Director  
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**CFUMC Praise Band:** Maggie Victorio, Dave Worley, Samantha King