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

APOSTLE Volunteers Needed

sign up today

Brad Sherrill's APOSTLE performance on October 5 will be the kick-off fundraiser for our upcoming Bicentennial celebrations. With up to 300 guests expected, this is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our hospitality and teamwork. To make the evening a success, we need many friendly, organized volunteers to welcome and assist attendees. Review the volunteer opportunities and sign up here: chambleeumc.org/Apostle-Volunteer

Sunday Supper Club

1st & 3rd Sundays, 6:30 PM

Looking to make new connections or deepen relationships with your Chamblee First UMC friends and family? The Sunday Supper Club gathers on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month and is for anyone eager to build community through food and fellowship. Tonight's Supper Club will be held at the home of Debbie & George Hall. For details, future dates, and to RSVP, visit chambleeumc.org/SupperClub

Chamblee Farmers Market

Saturdays 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

CFUMC is excited to be the new home of the Chamblee Farmer's Market, featuring fresh locally-grown produce, handmade goods, and artisanal products. Come support local farmers and makers and – as ambassadors of the church – help create a welcoming community atmosphere for visitors to our campus!

Sleep In Heavenly Peace

September 24, 7:00 PM

All children deserve a safe, comfortable place to lay their heads, yet across the US, too many boys and girls go without a bed—or even a pillow—to sleep on. Attend this introductory meeting to learn how members and friends of CFUMC are partnering with SHP to help build and deliver much-needed beds and bedding to children in our area. Join remotely via link available here: chambleeumc.org/SHP-ZOOM



Jordan Black | Director of Children's Ministries | jblack@chambleeumc.org

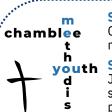
Elementary Sunday School, 9:30-10:30

- Our fun-filled programs and age-appropriate curriculum help children develop their faith in meaningful, understandable ways. Our current series, IN SEASON, reminds us that God's words are always in season, God leads us in every season, God hears us no matter the season, and we can thank God for every season.
 - **Room 101** Children ages 3 through preschool
 - Room 223 Children in grades K-5^t

During Worship, 10:45-11:45

- Children ages 3 through preschool are welcome in **Room 101** for the worship hour.
- Children in grades K-5th begin the worship hour in the sanctuary. Then, 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.



Sunday mornings: 9:30-10:30 AM

Confirmation will be included as a track in our CoLABorate Sunday. morning experience. Learn more at chambleeumc.org/youth

Sunday evenings: 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Join us each Sunday night in September for supper and our new series, "Teach Me Something Cool" featuring some of the coolest people we know... members of Chamblee Methodist Church! We'll be engaging in active, experiential lessons designed around the exceptional skills and talents of the adults who love and support our Youth Ministry.

Sunday night **Youth Suppers** are back! If you are willing and able to provide one meal for our Youth – either homemade or catered - please contact Emily Jameson at emilytjameson@gmail.com





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 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, & 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 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. For details, contact Cameron Wilson at cacwilson32@gmail.com

Christian Yoga

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 am

Christian voga (poses, meditation, breathing) opens the mind and heart to the word of God. 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 amA 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! For info & meeting times, email 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 lean more or participate in an upcoming project, **visit** *chambleeumc.org/missions*

2026 El Salvador Mission Trip no-obligation informational meetings

today after worship in room 203 -OR-Sept 23, 7 PM in room 203 or online at chambleeumc.org/2026-Trip-Zoom

Backpack Buddies

weekly bag packing for 3 local schools, to provide sustenance for 90+ families groups or individuals can sign up to help backpackbuddies @chambleeumc.org

Disaster Response Training one day training on Nov 1 will prepare

you to assist in a crisis situation

registration link coming soon mshackley@comcast.net

Cross-Cultural Ministries

help with tutoring, homework, Bible lessons, and student relations

after school volunteers needed george.r.hall@gmail.com

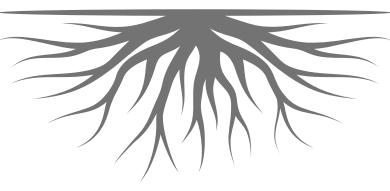
Thanksgiving Food Drive Oct 1 - Nov 9

for details & items of the week, visit chambleeumc.org/fooddrive25



CHAMBLEE FIRST





SEPTEMBER 21, 2025 TEN FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK

4147 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd, Atlanta, GA 30341 770-457-2525 | 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



Check-In

Please take a moment to check in. We'd love to connect you with groups and activities of interest to 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

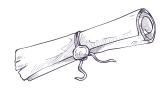
Ways to Give

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 chambleeumc.org/give



Scan to Give

September Sermon Series: Dear Church



Today, we continue our study on the Epistles, exploring the five foundational letters written by Paul that shaped the early church. Together, we'll reflect on the wisdom, encouragement, and challenges these writings continue to offer us today. Join us for "Dear Church" - Sundays at 10:45 AM, today through October 5. Available for replay at chambleeumc.org/worship-archive

CHAMBLEE

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Blair Boyd Zant, Senior Pastor

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 Chamblee Methodist Youth (CMY)

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Order of Worship

THE GATHERING

As We Come Together **CFUMC Playlist**

chambleeumc.org/Spotify-Songs

Andrews Praise Music Open Up The Heavens Maggie Victorio-Mundie (vocalist),

Dave Worley (guitarist)

THE GREETING

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Ms. Leslie Hall

Announcements

Prelude

Trumpet Tune and Air Mr. Callaway, organist

Purcell

Ms. Hall

UMH 611

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

Call to Worship 2 Corinthians 10-11 Rev. Blair Zant

Opening Song *

Prayers of the People

Banner Ligertwood

and The Lord's Prayer

Passing of the Peace

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptismal Covenant Rev. Zant

Congregational Response

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

verse 1

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Mrs. Jordan Black Better Together

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

THE OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering Rev. Zant I'm Going Home Offertory Choplin Chancel Choir Doxology * **UMH 95**

Prayer of Dedication *

Rev. Zant

THE WORD

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Ms. Hall Scripture Sermon **Dear Corinth: Part 2** Rev. Zant

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Closing Song * Build My Life Housefires

SENDING FORTH

Benediction 3 Rev. Zant

Postlude Festival Postlude Ashfordt Mr. Callaway, organist

* 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 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:

- Barbara Roberts, recovering from surgery
- Ross Glover, recovering from a stroke, now at home
- Eleanor Wilson, struggling with various health issues
- Jake Burkhardt, struggling with effects of CTE (Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy)

Our Members' Families:

- Diana Stephens, SIL of Lee Turner, battling pancreatic cancer; declining quickly
- Lori Fancher, sister-in-law of Mike and Sandra, dealing with pancreatic cancer
- Al & Kathleen Laba, parents of Dennis, health and safety
- Todd Van Duser, brother of Brad, recovering from cancer surgery
- Shelby Bryce, 2 yr old of Lee Turner, recovering from surgery related to spina bifida

Our Sympathy to the family of

• Mary Katherine Carr, former member, who passed away on Sept 1 in Virginia at the age of 54. Please keep her family in your prayers.

Church Financials & Leadership

Upcoming Meetings

- Special Joint Meeting of Finance & Trustees Sept 22 | 6:00 PM
- Staff Parish Relations Sept 29 | 6:00 PM Questions, comments, or compliments can be addressed to spr@chambleeumc.org
- Nominations Committee Oct 1 | 6:00 PM

Financial Reports Update

For security purposes, full monthly reports are no longer posted on the public website. Members may request the most recent report by emailing business@chambleeumc.org

Baptism & Membership



Please welcome to our Family of Faith **Chloe Michelle Crowl**

born December 10, 2024 daughter of Connor & Laura Crowl

Chloe is the great-granddaughter of the late and beloved Bill & Betty Robinson

APOSTLE: a live performance by Brad Sherrill

Sunday, October 5 | 5:00 PM

Experience a powerful stage adaptation of the Apostle Paul's story from Acts, woven together with inspiring passages from Paul's letters. This moving performance by Atlanta actor Brad Sherrill is enhanced by multimedia from Paul-related sites across Greece and Turkey. Following the performance, enjoy a celebratory reception with hors d'oeuvres in Fellowship Hall. Complimentary nursery and childcare will be provided for infants through elementary-aged children.

Tickets on sale now at https://apostle.eventbrite.com