

THE VOICE

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 1-13-19

WELCOME TO PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

“Arise! Shine! Your light has come; the
Lord’s glory has shone upon you.”

~ Isaiah 60:1

PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL
Lead Pastor - Barry Petrucci

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am - 2pm
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COMING SOON...NEW SMALL GROUPS

This new year I am looking for ideas for new small groups. I want to know what you like to do, how you like to learn new things, what you might like in a small group, what is the best time for you to meet? Easy info, but info that will help me get you connected to a small group that will be meaningful to you so that you can grow your faith while making friends and having fun. Coming soon is a personal survey to help you convey all your ideas to me! I want to use this survey to form new small groups around you and the things you like to do. Any questions please contact me at tonyaboot@pchum.org.



Tonya Boot,
Director of Discipleship

LOOKING FORWARD IN THE NEW YEAR

- Sunday January 20 ~ 2:00pm ~ Room #218

The New Year... the beginning of another year...another chance... a new opportunity... a new path... a new deeper journey.... What will you do with your New Year? Chapel Hill's membership classes would be a great place to start. There are a series of three classes that can be taken in any order. The first class of the year will be the "Belong" class. This class is an excellent opportunity to intentionally connect to Chapel Hill and deepen your faith. All are welcome, whether you are new to Chapel Hill or have been attending for years, whether you are mature in your faith or just beginning the journey. During the Belong class, you will get to know our Pastor, hear about Chapel Hill and plans for the future, take a tour, and ask questions. The Belong class will be held on Sunday, January 20 at 2:00pm in Room #218. The next two classes, "Discover" and "Respond" will follow in the coming months. If you would like to attend the "Belong" class or have any questions, please RSVP to office@pchum.org.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN MEETING

- Tuesday January 15 ~ 1:00pm ~ Fellowship Hall

Everyone is invited to the January meeting of the United Methodist Women (UMW). Dessert will be provided and Pastor Barry will be speaking on "How the Christian, Muslim and Jewish religions are the same." We hope to see you there.

DROP-IN CLASSES AND GROUPS SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

Upper Room ~ Room #209

Traditional Bible study

FaithLink ~ Room #218

Discussion of current events

FERMENTING FAITH

- Every Tuesday ~ 6:30pm - 8:00pm
- Lodo Company ~ 153 W. Centre Ave., Portage

Fermenting Faith is a casual atmosphere to get to know each other while exploring questions of faith, life and culture. Food and drinks of choice are available off the menu (including awesome and affordable specials!). Soft drinks are provided without cost.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Blue Blood Drive on January 19 will be Chapel Hill's biggest blood drive yet! With the collaboration of Chapel Hill, Red Cross, and MI-COPS the blood donations are expected to double. More blood donors, means more need for food donations. We need 5 pots of soup/chili (what a great time to test our your Chili recipe before the cook-off). Don't have a great soup recipe? There are of needs for other food items and of course blood donors. Just go to SignUpGenius link found on our website, or contact Sue Dueweke (suzydue@sbcglobal.net).

2ND ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF AND BIZARRO BINGO

- Sunday February 10 ~ Noon ~ Fellowship Hall

The competition is back! Whose chili will be named "Chapel Hill's Best" for 2019? Last year's competitors came with a wide variety: traditional beef and bean chili, spicy beef and pepper chili, white chicken chili, an all-seafood chili (isn't that more of a chowder, Pastor Barry?). If you think you have what it takes, go to pchum.org/chilicookoff and be sure to click "Chili Competitor" when you register on the event site. The competition is limited to 12, so sign up early. Of course, it won't be a contest without judges. All those who simply want to eat and vote, just click "Chili Eater & Bingo Player" when you register. And as the title implies, following the meal we will be playing Bingo! Contact Lisa Drzick at office@pchum.org if you have any questions.

JOIN THE NEWEST SMALL GROUP FORMING NOW!

Make one change this year for a healthy body... healthy mind... healthy soul... Walking by Faith, emphasis on walking (or running/jogging if you prefer!) is a new small group forming around those who want to get moving, and work toward a healthier lifestyle. This group is forming with the intention to participate in "The Walk to End Homelessness 2019" on March 23 in Kalamazoo.

According to the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church we are called to pursue a healthy life style which includes preventive health care, good nutrition, health education and secure housing in achieving health. Anyone is welcome to check this group out, no experience is required! In addition, the group will participate in the all church book read during Lent, titled **Unafraid** by Adam Hamilton. Walking by Faith will meet Saturdays starting January 26 at 10:30am. The place is yet to be determined. Please contact Tonya Boot at tonyaboot@pchum.org with signup or questions.

Ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls. Jeremiah 6:16

A NEW WAY TO STAY CONNECTED

Chapel Hill is moving to a new kind of church record keeping solution called Realm which will offer some exciting opportunities to support the way you are involved in our church. Many Chapel Hill groups are currently using Realm, so you may have heard of it already. The office staff will soon be encouraging everyone to participate in a congregational rollout. We are working hard to ensure this will be a smooth transition. Keep checking the Voice for more information.

NATIONAL BLUE BLOOD DRIVE

- Saturday, January 19 ~ 10:15am-4:00pm

Chapel Hill is partnering with local law enforcement at our next American Red Cross Blood Drive on January 19. The drive will be a "National Blue Blood Drive", bringing recognition to MI-COPS (Michigan Concerns of Police Survivors), an organization which helps families and communities when officers are killed in the line of duty. We expect a higher than usual number of blood donors, so are adjusting our food and hospitality expectations, too. Please check out the SignUpGenius link found on our website or Facebook page, or contact Sue Dueweke (suzydue@sbcglobal.net) to sign up to help.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM & 11:00AM

Pre-K-4th Grade ~ Room #109

Club 56 (5th-6th Grade) ~ Room #121

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

Confirmation Class (7th-8th Grade) ~ Room #114

9th Grade-12th Grade ~ Room #108

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

7:00pm ~ Fellowship Hall

6th-12th Graders are invited for food, fun and fellowship.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHOIRS

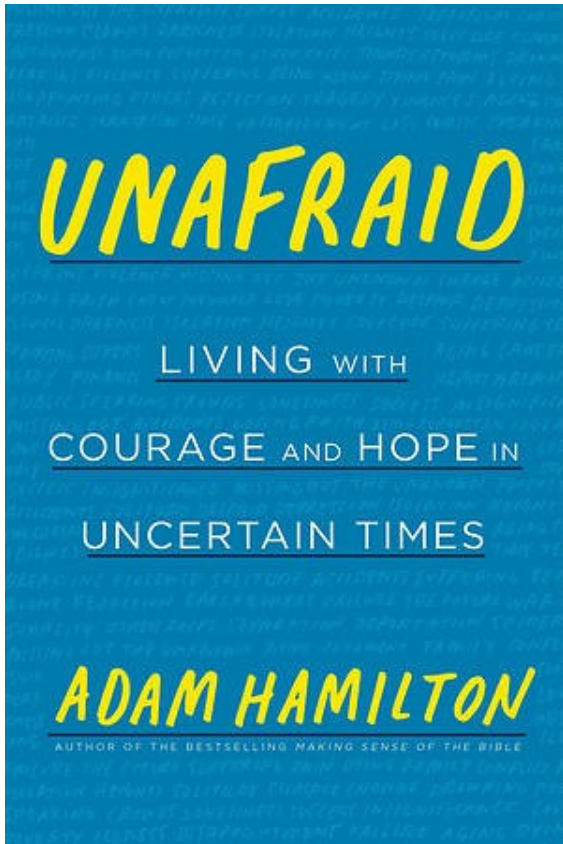
Our children and youth's choirs meets weekly to prepare for singing on Sundays and a spring afternoon performance. They also have the opportunity to learn to play chimes and handbells, read a little Bible Study and have lots of fun along the way! School aged kids (Preschool -12th Grade) are welcome to come check us out Wednesdays at 6:00pm. Questions? Contact Andrea Trantham at AndreaTrantham@pchum.org.

WINTER JAM 2019 FEATURING THE NEWSBOYS

- Friday, January 18 ~ VanAndel Arena

All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to this multi-artist Christian music concert! We will be leaving Chapel Hill at 3:00pm in the church van and returning after the concert, by approximately 11:30pm. Cost is \$20, which includes concert admission and pizza. Please RSVP by January 14 to Larry French, Director of Youth Ministries, at larryfrench@pchum.org or call/text 616-551-9280.

COMING SOON ALL CHURCH BOOK STUDY!



“Living with courage comes in part as we face our fears with faith, examine our assumptions in light of facts, attack our anxieties with action, and release our cares to God, praying for his wisdom, strength, and peace.” Adam Hamilton

More information coming soon! Contact Tonya Boot with questions at tonyabout@pchum.org.

NEED SOMETHING?

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to be lifted in prayer or added to the prayer chain, contact Shirley Freeman (shirleytupperfreeman@gmail.com, 269-381- 8208).

ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES AS WELL AS LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE. PLEASE SEE AN USHER.

NAME TAGS FOR ALL

Please stop by the self-serve display in the lobby, located across from the Coffee Bar. Magnetic badges are available.

WEEKLY EMAIL

Want to find out all the important events at Portage Chapel Hill? Sign Up for our weekly email. www.pchum.org/home



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