

THE VOICE

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 1-20-19

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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SNAPCHAT #DIVINE_IMAGES

SERIES SERIES

After the long wait in expectation of the birth of Jesus, after the tradition of the 12 Days of Christmas, the Light of the World breaks through! The Christian Season of Epiphany began on January 6th and will run through March 3rd. In worship during those weeks we will be using the social media platform called “Snapchat.”

Snapchat began life as a simple idea to connect people by snapshots in time. Quick pictures that come and go. A flash of an event, a piece of a story, an opportunity to ask for more. It has evolved over time, but

Snapchat is still about pictures and video, sharing stories and commenting on the moods of the stories with mostly funny filters that “enhance” the pictures.

This Epiphany season we are taking this Snapchat concept and using it as our own filter to consider the snapshots in creating a big picture story of God-with-us...and God within us. Snapchat #divine_images is our series to think about the quick pictures of the nature of God we are given throughout the Bible, in history, in our world today, and in our lives.

January 27 – Luke 4:14-21 Snapchat #living_word

February 3 – Jeremiah 1:4-10 Snapchat #come_messiah

February 10 – Isaiah 6:1-14 Snapchat #called_prophet

February 17 – Jeremiah 17:5-10; Luke 6:17-26 Snapchat #life_giver

February 24 – Genesis 45:3-11, Luke 6:27-38 Snapchat #holy_surprise

March 3 - Luke 9:28-36 (37-43a) Snapchat #god_revealed

BELONG MEMBERSHIP CLASS

- Today ~ 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 next two classes, “Discover” and “Respond” will follow in the coming months.

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.

This week’s question, *What does it mean to be healed?*

GET CONNECTED WITH REALM

By now you’ve heard that Chapel Hill is moving to a new kind of church record-keeping solution called Realm, and many of you have already taken the time to sign up. An email invitation has been sent out to most of the congregation; if you don’t see it please check your junk mail folder. Realm is designed to improve the work life for Chapel Hill staff, as well as make it easier for our church family to connect with each other and grow as a community. For those who haven’t signed up, or who don’t yet know what Realm is, the Chapel Hill staff invites you to stop by the lobby between 10:00am-11:00am on January 27, February 3, or February 10. Church staff and volunteers will be available to help you get signed up, and to briefly show you some of the features that Realm offers. We hope to make this a smooth and easy process for everyone!

SEEKING APPLICANTS

It is with regret that we announce Christina Redmond has submitted her resignation as Chapel Hill’s Business Administrator and will be leaving to accept a paraprofessional position at Portage North Middle School. Chapel Hill is seeking a strong candidate to fill this new staff opening of Business Administrator. If you know anyone with accounting or bookkeeping skills who might be interested in a less-than-fulltime position, please put them in touch with Barry Petrucci at barypetrucci@pchum.org or apply at pchum.org/jobopportunities.

JOIN THE NEWEST SMALL GROUP FORMING NOW!

- Saturday January 26 ~ 10:30am
- Bicentennial Park, 910 E. Milham Ave.

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

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 at Bicentennial Park on E. Milham Ave. We will be walking outside; dress accordingly. Please contact Tonya Boot at tonyaboot@pchum.org with signup or questions.

OFFICE CLOSURE

The office will be closed Monday January 21 for the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday at 9:00am.

CHUM PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

- Thursday February 7 ~ 6:00pm-7:30pm
- Room #119

Know someone who will be 3 or 4 next fall, in need of an awesome educational experience? Consider CHUM Preschool's Open House! CHUM Co-op Preschool is a non-profit, educational and developmental program for young children that provides an opportunity for parents to actively participate in the classroom with their children under the supervision of a qualified teacher. Contact Bethany Stevenson, at bstevenson8011@gmail.com.

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

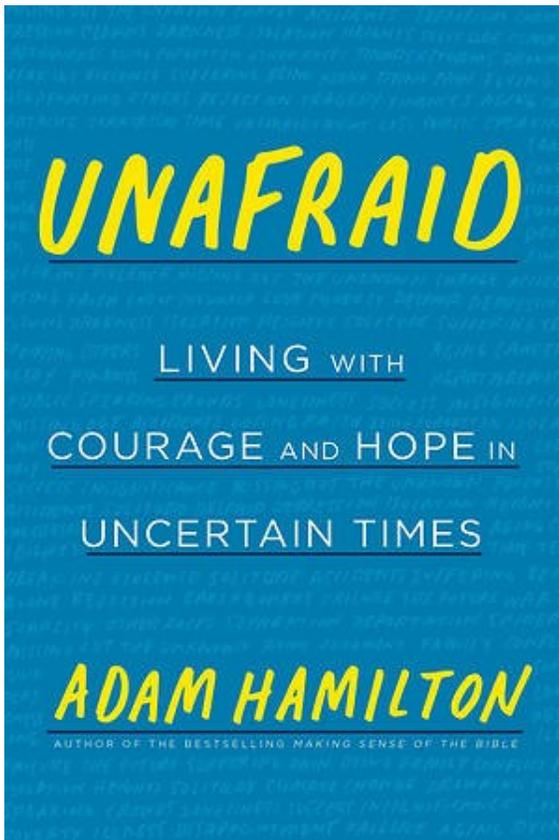
Our children and youth choirs meet weekly to prepare for singing on Sundays and a spring afternoon performance. They also have the opportunity to learn to play chimes and handbells, read a little Bible Study and have lots of fun along the way! School aged kids (Preschool-12th Grade) are welcome to come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

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.

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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