

THE VOICE

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 10-21-18

WELCOME TO PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

You are a child of God!

PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am - 2pm
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ATTENTION ALL CHAPEL HILL CORE TEAMS

- November 4 ~ Noon

Chapel Hill Guidance Team will be hosting a strategy session for all Core Team members in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday November 4 from Noon to 2:00pm. A delicious lunch will be provided.

MUSIC FEEDS US CONCERT

- Sunday November 11 ~ 7:00pm ~ Sanctuary

The musical forces of Chapel Hill and Milwood United Methodist Churches will join together for an evening of joyful music making here at Chapel Hill and you DO NOT want to miss this. Bell Choirs, Chancel Choirs, the New Life team will all come together to make a joyful noise and take an offering to be shared between each church for their food bank.

“DISCOVER” MEMBERSHIP CLASS

- Today ~ 2:00pm ~ Room #218

Chapel Hill is proud to offer three unique ways to explore what it looks like to be a “member” of this faith community. These new classes are called Belong, Discover, and Respond, and they take the place of what was formerly PCHUM 101. Each class will be offered 3 times per year, and you can take them in any order. This month, the Discover class will deal with each participant’s individual path to discipleship, as well as what the United Methodist denomination is all about. These classes were designed for both the person who is brand new to Chapel Hill, and for those who have been attending regularly but maybe aren’t sure yet what it all means for them. Consider yourself invited to Belong, Discover, and Respond!

WE WANT YOUR CANDY!

The Trunk or Treat Event needs Halloween candy donations. Chapel Hill is anticipating a large turn out. Please drop off your donation at the bin outside the Sanctuary or the office by Thursday October 25.

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

Upper Room ~ Room #209

Traditional Bible study

FaithLink ~ Room #218

Discussion of current events

LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICED

FERMENTING FAITH

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

Gather some friends for dinner and come to “Fermenting Faith” at Lodo Company restaurant in Portage every Tuesday night for casual conversations on life, faith, God, and the world. Topics will be selected in advance by participants, and soft drinks will be provided.

CONNECTING CHORDS MUSIC FESTIVAL

- Runs through November 25
- Various locations in Kalamazoo and Portage

Celebrate the unifying power of the world’s music! This music festival, formerly known as the Michigan Festival of Sacred Music, features art and music traditions from around the world. From expressive calligraphy to Handel’s *Messiah*, from ancient languages to the music of Chance the Rapper played on a cello, this festival features something for everyone. Chapel Hill is a faith community which celebrates diversity, and this festival provides many opportunities to experience God’s amazing creativity through music. To see a list of events go to connectingchordsfestival.com.

SNOWBIRDS

If you are heading for warmer climates through the colder months, please notify the church office so that we can send you any correspondence. To set this up, all you need to do is send an email to office@pchum.org. Also please update your email address if needed. We would like to keep in touch with you while you are away.

ISAAC PUBLIC MEETING

- Thursday October 25 ~ 6:00pm
- Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 120 Roberson Kzoo

ISAAC (Interfaith Strategy for Advocacy & Action in the Community) is a network of congregations and organizations working toward change in our community with a current focus on racism, fair housing and poverty. Chapel Hill is an active member of this network. This special public meeting is held every two years to give public officials, candidates, and our institutions the support they need to make changes that will build a more just community. Chapel Hill encourages all to attend. For more information about what ISAAC does in our community go to isaackalamazoo.org.

TRUNK OR TREAT

- Saturday October 27 ~ Lower parking lot
- 5:00pm Set up, 6:00pm Event start

Never participated in a Trunk or Treat event? It's lots of fun! You bring your own vehicle, decorate it to a theme you like and pass out candy or treats to the kids. Don't want to decorate your vehicle? That is okay too, you are welcome to just pass out candy from your trunk! Please sign up to make sure we have enough participants to make this possible. Please plan to hand out candy to at least 500 kids, our numbers have been growing. If you are unable to participate, but would like to help out in another way, please contact Deanne Austin at deanneaustin@sbcglobal.net or 269-629-4831.

MINISTRY WITH COMMUNITY

SERVING TODAY

Chapel Hill serves lunch to the homeless at Ministry with Community (500 N. Edwards St., Kalamazoo) on the 3rd Sunday of every month. Folks from Chapel Hill gather there after the 11:00am service and stay until 3:00 p.m. Youth from 13-17 must be accompanied by an adult. This is a great way to put your faith into action. Extra hands to help are always needed. Contact Deacon Pat at patcatellier@pchum.org.

SAVE THE DATE

Advent Celebration Potluck, Sunday December 2 at Noon in the Fellowship Hall.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

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.

CHRISTMAS EVE

CHILDREN'S PERFORMANCE

Want to be a part of the Christmas Eve children's performance? All actors and singers ages 4-18 are invited to join!

Required rehearsals:

December 12 and December 19 (6:00pm-7:30pm) with a possible added rehearsal December 23 at 10:00am.

Contact Andrea Trantham at

andreatrantham@pchum.org

Please note if your child or children are interested in a solo or speaking part.

SHARE THE WARMTH

The Salvation Army will be collecting jackets and coats through the month of October. Chapel Hill has a collection bin located in the lobby. Please bring your new or gently used winter gear. The last day of collection is October 28.

YOUTH GROUP CORN MAZE!

AT GULL MEADOW FARMS

- Saturday October 27 ~ after Trunk or Treat event

Who: 6th Grade-12th Grade

Time: 7:00pm - ? (until we find our way out!)

Cost: \$10

Transportation provided to and from Chapel Hill.

SMALL GROUP SPOTLIGHT

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SMALL GROUP

What is a small group you ask?

Small groups are intentional communities of around 12 people who gather together to support each other in this journey of faith. A safe place to explore hard questions, find support when answers don't make sense, and celebrate life! It's space to foster your relationship with Christ within a community, for yourselves and for others. This week we spotlight the Wednesday night small group....Shelley Bagley is a member of the Wednesday night small group. This is what she had to say....

Why is a small group for you?

"I joined a small group to make connections with people at church, and to have a place and time set aside for conversations about life and faith. I was new to the area and church."

"I look forward to a small group where we talk, laugh, wonder, share joys, and frustrations. We also talk about God in our lives. We don't have all the answers but we join together in the journey."

What about group format?

"Our small group watches videos ranging from Ted Talks, Oprah soul sessions, to YouTube videos featuring different writers or speakers. We discuss the topics and the connections made between life and faith."

"There is no preparation necessary...just come by!"

The Wednesday night small group meets every **Wednesday from 6:00pm to 7:00pm** in the conference room. Check it out!

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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