

# THE VOICE

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WELCOME TO PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

“If I cannot do great things, I  
can do small things in a great way.”

~ Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL  
Lead Pastor - Barry Petrucci

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am - 2pm  
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## COME AND JOIN THE TEAM

Team. People working together for a common objective. People coming to know each other so that strengths can be maximized and great things can happen. Whether you have been at Chapel Hill most of your life, or have just come to call this your church home, your gifts and your strengths are needed on a church team. The easiest thing in the world would be to stop reading and ignore the call to make use of the tools you have been given to build Christ's Church. Or...you could prayerfully consider emailing Pastor Barry ([barrypetrucci@pchum.org](mailto:barrypetrucci@pchum.org)) to connect to one of these Core Teams that are waiting for you.

- Intentional Faith Development (small groups, education, discipleship, membership)
- Faith In Action (ministries of love and justice from food pantry to political advocacy)
- Radical Hospitality (from coffee and tea, to greeting, to special events and training)
- Worship and Spirituality (giving praise and glory to God and building the spiritual vitality of individuals and community)
- Communications (all the ways we communicate inside and outside of the congregation)
- Facilities (maintaining and planning for all the physical structures used in Chapel Hill ministries)
- Finance (educating on financial stewardship and ensuring that the ministries to which God is calling us are funded)

## VALENTINES FOR BLANKETS

The Faith In Action Team will be selling valentines today and February 10 in the lobby. Monies raised through this sale will go to purchase blankets for those in need around the world as part of the Church World Service. The cost for the valentines \$5.00 Any questions, please contact Doris Mettler at 327-8272.

## HELP WITH MEALS ON WHEELS

Interested in helping feed hungry folks? Chapel Hills needs 4 volunteers to help deliver a hot lunch to the homebound on weekdays, usually once every 6 weeks through Meals on Wheels.

Contact John Mason at 269-329-2951 and he can tell you more about this opportunity and put you on the schedule.

## 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

Come in from the cold and warm up in 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: In the past people were buried with things that were important to them to be used in the afterlife. *What does it mean to be bealed?*

## 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. 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 today 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!

## THE SMALL GROUP SURVEY HAS BEEN SENT!

Chapel Hill Director of Discipleship, Tonya Boot, is excited to get your feedback about your experience with small groups or to get you connected to one. Please take the time to participate, 5 minutes is all it takes! If you did not get the Small Group Survey there will be paper copies in the lobby, you may find the link on the Chapel Hill website, or there is a link in the congregational email as well. For questions contact Tonya Boot at [tonyaboot@pchum.org](mailto:tonyaboot@pchum.org).

## WALKING BY FAITH

- Saturdays 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 at 10:30am at Bicentennial Park on E. Milham Ave. We will be walking outside; dress accordingly. In cases of extreme weather the location will change to Crossroads Mall. Please check Chapel Hill's Facebook page. Please contact Tonya Boot at [tonyaboot@pchum.org](mailto:tonyaboot@pchum.org) with signup or questions.

## 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](mailto: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.

## OVER THE CHAPEL HILL GANG A MONTHLY GATHERING OF RETIRED PERSONS

- Wednesday February 6, 11:45am
- Main St. Pub 7509 S. Westnedge Ave Portage

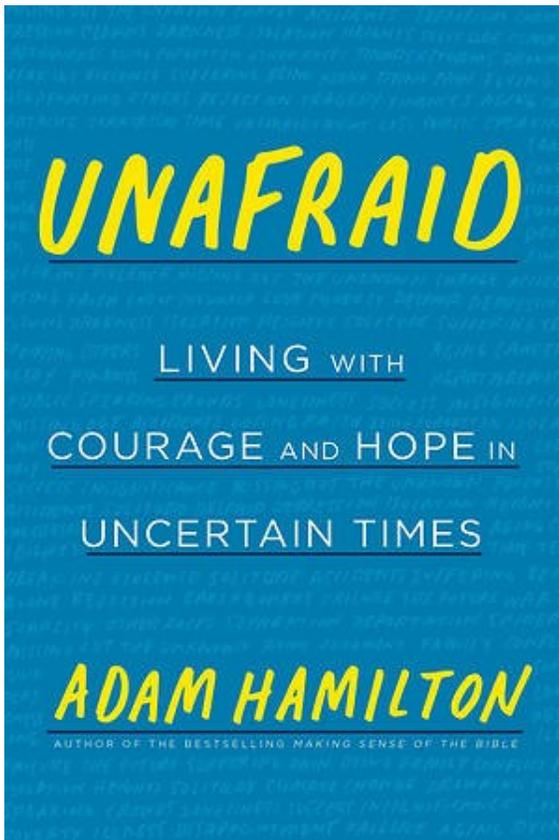
Need a ride? Call: Doris Mettler (269-327-8272). Please bring personal care items for the food pantry.

## 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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.pchum.org/home)



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