

THE VOICE

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 4-2-17

THE WELCOME

- ⇒ Celebrate individual unique gifts, talents & strengths
- ⇒ Recognizing Christ in everyone! Celebrating Difference!
- ⇒ Diversity is a gift from our Creative God!
- ⇒ Leading to reflect God's forgiving and unconditional love!
- ⇒ Reaching out as a life-giving faith community!

THE VISION

Becoming...

- ⇒ A home where every person BELONGS to God, and so to one another.
- ⇒ A transforming community of faith where each DISCOVERS and RESPONDS to God's call.

THE MISSION

Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

THE DETAILS

For opportunities of Education and upcoming events, check out the inside.

Additional details for items in The Voice and other information can be found on our website: www.pchum.org

LENTEN WORSHIP SERIES

As the 40 days in the wilderness of self-discovery and God-dependence wind down, our series on Adam Hamilton's little book, Enough, comes to a close. Last week was erroneously tagged as the final episode. Hopefully this will feel like a "bonus"! Like God's creative activity, our series ends with a reflection on how we might rest well at the end of the day. Our lives are full of stuff of all kinds, virtually all of which requires work. And work brings us to fatigue. And we rest. There is good rest and not-so good rest. Come consider the good rest that comes in being the follower of Jesus. Worship this Sunday concludes with communion at all three services.

SPRING BREAK SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

APRIL 2ND

Upper Room Bible Study will meet as usual.

On Hiatus:

- Preschool, Faith Village & Club 56
- Confirmation (Grades 7-8)
- Senior High (Grades 9-12)
- FaithLink

Sunday Night Youth Group will meet @ 7.

APRIL 9TH

Classes resume for:

- Confirmation (Grades 7-8) Lower Youth House
- Senior High (Grades 9-12) Upper Youth House
- Drop-in Classes for Adults:
 - * FaithLink Room #218
 - * Upper Room Bible Study Room #209

Easter Egg Hunt April 9th

Open to all including Preschool, Faith Village & Club 56.

A NOTE ON CASH-FLOW

We are rejoicing that lots of great stuff is happening at Chapel Hill and some much-needed repair work is happening. While the elevator was a huge project largely covered by insurance, the Facilities Team, the Office, Faithful Community and others have had exciting stuff we have been able to work on because we had the cash flow to do it. Of course, now we are dipping a bit lower than is comfortable. As you are able, catch-up, start-up or give a little extra. There will be more details coming in the Easter Letter, as the Easter offering this year will go toward costs incurred within our own ministries, but so positively impacting our work in the community. Thanks for all you have done and, in advance, for what I know you can do!

HELP NEEDED

We are making use of projection for text, pictures and video at both the 9am and 11:30am worship services. Folks willing to learn the operation of the projection computer for operation at either the 9am or 11:30am services are needed. Training will be provided! Please sign-up on the clipboard on the credenza by the pictures of church life in the lobby area.

Like having coffee, tea, hot cocoa, cookies on Sundays? While we wish that there was a team of angels that swoops down to make all that happen, it has largely become the work of staff to do this. Preparing and maintaining the refreshment cart on Sunday is pretty easy and does not take much time. You will be trained! If you are willing to be a part of a team that rotates responsibilities for this, please sign-up on the clipboard on the credenza by the pictures of church life in the lobby area.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- **Palm Sunday** - April 9
- **Maundy Thursday Open Communion** - April 13
6:30am-8am & 11:00am-1:00pm, Chapel
- **Good Friday** - April 14, 7pm, Sanctuary, featuring the Chancel Choir
- **Easter Sunday** - April 16
 - Sunrise @ Oakland Drive Park, 7am
This youth driven 30 minute service will include worship, music, juice, coffee and donuts - bring lawn chairs if you wish
 - 9:00 and 11:30 in the Sanctuary

BAPTISM AND NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

We are planning a Sunday morning celebration of baptism and, for those who so desire, membership with this congregation on Sunday, April 23rd. As you think about this, Pastor Barry encourages you to contact him at barrypetrucci@pchum.org or 327-6643, ext. 107 to talk a bit about what baptism would mean, and how membership might be important to you.

EASTER EGG HUNT - APRIL 9

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Last year, we filled over 2,300 eggs. Donations of time and candy would be very much appreciated.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED APRIL 9TH

- Hiding Eggs: Sunday April 9th from 8:30am-10am
- Craft Jobs: Sunday, April 9th, 10:15.
- Contact Deanne, Family Events Coordinator to volunteer: DeanneAustin@sbcglobal.net

COOKIE DONATIONS FOR APRIL 9TH

- Donations of homemade or store bought, not Loft-house, cookies without nuts of any kind need to be in by 9:00a.m.

SPRING INTO SPRING

POTLUCK SUNDAY APRIL 23RD

Come celebrate! Join us as we "Spring into Spring" at a potluck to share the excitement of sunshine, flowers, and rebirth! Sunday, April 23, immediately following the 11:30 service in the Fellowship Hall.

Please bring:

- Last Names A-F: Salad
- Last Names G-L: Side Dish
- Last Names M-R: Entrée
- Last Names S-Z: Dessert

Plates, silverware, drinks and cups will be provided.

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The garden has a manager and it won't be long before spring is here and planting can be begin! If you are interested in a garden plot, contact Deacon Pat at PatCatellier@pchum.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

MAY 21ST @ 4PM

Come to the Cabaret! Join us for a collection of songs and readings telling stories of the Bible in a fun, child-friendly format. Our two children's choirs and our youth choir will be presenting the program.

OVER THE CHAPEL HILL GANG

A MONTHLY GATHERING - OPEN TO ALL!

- Wednesday, April 5th, 11:45am
- Café Meli (5200 Portage Road)

Need a ride? Call:

- Dorothy Harrington (269-327-0303)
- Doris Mettler (269-327-8272)

Other Information:

- Bring personal care items for the food pantry, if able

RED ENVELOPE CAMPAIGN

INTERESTED IN HELPING FUND CAMP AND MISSION TRIP SCHOLARSHIPS?

Chapel Hill provides half the cost of camps and mission trips. If you would like to help this program, please grab a red envelope off the tree by the office for cash donations. Checks can be made out to PCHUM with a note of Red Envelope on the memo line. You can also give online at www.pchum.org/give, using the General Fund/Other option and specifying your gift as Red Envelope.

2017 YOUTH MISSION TRIP

URBAN SPIRIT

This year our PCHUM Youth have the opportunity to experience the poverty simulation at Urban Spirit in Louisville, KY. This is a weeklong trip scheduled for July 23rd-29th, and is available to youth graduating from 8th grade through 12th grade. Contact Larry French for more details at LarryFrench@pchum.org.

SAVE YOUR STUFF!

The United Methodist Women (UMW) will be sponsoring the church rummage sale on Friday, June 16th (Noon to 5:00 p.m.) and Saturday, June 17th (9:00 am to 2:00 pm). Mark your calendar and clean out those closets, garages, and basements. All proceeds benefit the UMW missions. We will be offering home pickups for those needing assistance. Donation receipts will be available upon requests. If you need an early pickup, please contact either:

- Jane & Stan Smeed: 269-327-5319 or bjcornette-smeed@sbcglobal.net
- Sandy & Russ Looker: 269-753-4370 or rslooker@aol.com

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Details for items in *The Voice* and other information about Chapel Hill can be found by visiting our website: www.pchum.org.

Information to be promoted should be sent to Michele VanAllen in the office at office@pchum.org. If you would like the information in *The Voice*, please have your information in by noon on Tuesday.

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Editions of *The Voice* are available online:
www.pchum.org/discover/newsletter.html.



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Simply scan the QR code and you will be taken to a mobile version of our "GIVE" page.

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 near the Welcome Center. Magnetic and stick-on badges are available.

PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

Pastor - Barry Petrucci

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