

THE VOICE

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WELCOME TO PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

“In the end, God, goodness, love, and life will ultimately prevail, even if, for a time, evil, destruction, and death seem to have the upper hand.”

~Adam Hamilton, ***Unafraid***

STILL OPEN TO EVERYONE SINCE 1998!

PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

Lead Pastor - Barry Petrucci

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am - 2pm
(269) 327-6643 www.pchum.org

LOOKING TO CONNECT? THIS IS A SMALL GROUP FOR YOU!

- Thursday ~ 6:30pm ~ Pastor Barry's office

The Thursday night small group, R & R ~ Reflect and Revive, is starting a new study on the Book of Revelation. There is room for new people if you are looking for a great way to connect to life at Chapel Hill! The name of the book is *Breaking the Code: Understanding the Book of Revelation*, by Bruce M. Metzger. Books are \$15 but a donation in any amount will be accepted. Pastor Barry's Eastertide sermon series will be on the Book of Revelation as well. If you would like to join this small group please contact Dawn Kemp at jtdmk2@charter.net. To learn more about other small groups, contact the Director of Discipleship Tonya Boot at tonyaboot@pchum.org.

SPRING DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday May 19 ~ Confirmation/Commitment Sunday

Saturday June 8 ~ Kalamazoo Pride ~ Arcadia Fest. Site

Sunday June 9 ~ Graduation Sunday

Saturday June 22 ~ Blood Drive

FLAT SCREEN TVs/ MONITORS NEEDED

As our world continues to go into a digital age, flat screen TVs become essential for classes and groups at Chapel Hill. If you have a flat screen TV or monitor (46" or bigger) that you are not using please consider donating to Chapel Hill. As always this would be a tax-deductible donation. We greatly appreciate your help.

CROP WALK- TODAY

End hunger one step at a time! CROP Walk is this afternoon. Registration starts at 1:00pm and the walk begins at 2:00pm in Bronson Park in downtown Kalamazoo. The 5k course will pass several of the organizations that are directly supported by the funds raised. For more information go to crophungerwalk.org/kalamazoomi.

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

Upper Room ~ Room #209

Traditional Bible study

FaithLink ~ Room #218

Discussion of current events

This week: Self-Improvement Shows

FERMENTING FAITH

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

Spring is here and it is time to stop hibernating. So come to Fermenting Faith and discuss faith and life's questions. 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: *Are people better at creating things or destroying things?*

NEW BUCKETS OF LOVE MINISTRY

The second Sunday of each month Chapel Hill collects coins during worship. We call this noisy offering "Buckets of Love". The collection goes to help our brothers and sisters in Haiti. Chapel Hill is now sending the monies to HAPI (Haitian Artisans for Peace International). Their mission is "to develop a thriving community by identifying, empowering and equipping local individuals to attack the social and economic conditions that perpetuate generational poverty". This organization provides an array of services to the people of Haiti. To learn more please visit haitianartisans.com or watch for more information from Chapel Hill.

ISAAC BANQUET

- May 18, 2019 ~ 6:00pm ~ WMU Bernhard Center

ISAAC (Interfaith Strategy for Advocacy & Action in the Community) is a faith based group that improves and supports social justice issues in the Kalamazoo area. Chapel Hill is an active member. Monies raised from this annual event go to support the work that ISAAC does in our community. Tickets are \$35 and you can purchase them from Pat Catellier (patcatellier@pchum.org).

“BELONG” MEMBERSHIP CLASS

- Sunday May 19 ~ 2:00pm ~ Room #216

While membership is not necessary to fully participate in the life of Chapel Hill, for some folks church membership is an important step along their Journey of Faith. Chapel Hill offers three one-hour membership classes called Belong, Discover, and Respond where you have the opportunity to learn more and discover your own faith journey. All three are required before joining Chapel Hill, but you can take them in any order. The Belong class is being offered May 19. If you are interested in attending this class please RSVP to office@pchum.org. Childcare is available upon request.

COMMUNITY GARDEN

Did you know that Chapel Hill hosts a community garden on the property to the south of the church on Oakland Drive? The garden is maintained by volunteers who donate at least 1/3 of all fruits and vegetables harvested (often much more) to the Romence Road Food Pantry, located on the lower level of the Chapel Hill building. Last year more than 550 pounds of fresh produce were donated. The growing season is about to start and fortunately ALL the garden plots are filled for this year. However, keep watching the Voice as we move into summer and gardening needs arise. Contact Chapel Hill's garden manager, Chris Cartner(cartner3030@gmail.com), if you have any questions or would like to learn more.

AWESOME SUMMER CAMPS AT CHAPEL HILL

Opening Act Theatre Company is offering 4 different summer camps right here at Chapel Hill. Opening Act provides performing arts education to school age children and youth. To learn more and/or enroll in these camps go to openingactmi.com.

OVER THE CHAPEL HILL GANG A MONTHLY GATHERING OF RETIRED PERSONS

- Wednesday May 1, 11:45am
- LaRue's Family Restaurant 6375 Stadium Dr. Kazoo

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

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

Pre-K-4th Grade ~ Room #109

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

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

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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

- July 15-18, 2019

Easter means the “home stretch” for students and summer break is almost here. Every summer Chapel Hill offers Vacation Bible School to all ages. This year's theme is “Christmas in July”. Registration details in May.

GRADUATION SUNDAY IS NOT JUST FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

- Graduation Sunday June 9

Chapel Hill will be celebrating all high school and post-high school graduates on Graduation Sunday June 9. And while it's relatively easy to know who our high school seniors are, it's a little more difficult to keep track of our higher education students. If you or someone in your family is celebrating a post-high school accomplishment, Chapel Hill wants to recognize that achievement. Training certification or apprenticeship completion, Associate's degree, Bachelor's, Master's, or Doctorate – we want to include you! Please send a note with the student's name, accomplishment, and what their future plans are, to office@pchum.org by June 2.

YOUR FAITH THROUGH MUSIC



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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