

THE VOICE

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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

NEW LIFE REMIX: SUMMER WORSHIP

Everything you need to know for worship today will be projected on the wall. Here is the order, but God-surprises may happen!

- Gathering Music
- Countdown to Worship
- Opening Liturgy
- Singing Our Praises
- Welcoming Moment
- Kid's time – Buckets of Love
- Message for the Week
- Prayer Stations - Offering
- Singing Our Faith
- Sending into the World

TAKING THE NEXT STEP UPDATE

Our spiritual journeys are a never-ending quest to develop a deeper relationship with Jesus and with each other so that we may transform the world around us. In the last several weeks, Chapel Hill went through the Taking the Next Step campaign that touched on a big portion of this journey. Many have submitted their Estimate of Giving cards. And I'm delighted to share that over 55% of those have taken a step forward in their generosity by increasing their expected giving into God's ministry.

With that, I ask two things:


- 1) For those who haven't turned them in, we want to hear from you. It would be helpful if you turn in your card or tell us that you're not ready to do so. If you are uneasy or scared to write down a number, please don't be. Know that only our Business Administrator and Pastor Barry ever see any of the individual numbers. The main reason for turning in the cards is not to get a final number for a budget, but rather for you to make a personal commitment to yourself and to God. Studies have shown that writing down an estimate and submitting it is a very powerful way to hold yourself accountable.
- 2) Continue to share your stories of God's work in this church and in your lives. I invite you to share your story via video with the whole congregation or even personally through conversations with each other. God is great! Let others know!

Finally, the administrative side of the church needs to move forward as well. Our fiscal year will be starting on July 1st and we need to have an operating budget in place by then. To do so, members need to vote on clergy compensation and discuss other matters. That will happen at Church Conference on June 21st at 7:00 PM.



Richard Derenne

ESTIMATE OF GIVING FOR CHURCH YEAR JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018



Yes, I will pray for the mission and ministry of Chapel Hill United Methodist Church.

I estimate I will grow in my giving as follows:

My commitment is \$ _____ per Week Month Year

For an annual total of \$ _____

Name (PLEASE PRINT) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please have the finance office contact me regarding automatic bank draft

I understand this estimate of giving may be revised or cancelled at any time at my request.

CHURCH CONFERENCE

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

We will gather at 7pm in the Sanctuary to vote on clergy compensation, leadership affirmation which will include the VCI policy governance board. While all are encouraged to attend, attendance is required of all members. You must be a member to vote.

Church Office Hours

Throughout the summer, the church office hours may be reduced at times due to limited staff availability. With a largely part-time staff, vacation time occasionally overlaps. If adjustments to office hours are needed, that information will be posted at the door, on the website, and on the phone messaging system. Additionally, when particular staff are away, they will communicate when and how they can be reached on their voicemail and on email replies.

Summer Small Groups

Thursday Night

A Thursday night small group has room for more members. Members are currently reading and discussing "The Book of Joy" by Desmond Tutu and The Dalai Lama. Meetings are held each Thursday from 7pm to 8:30 p.m., in the Upper Room. We're enjoying getting to know each other and deepening our faith together. If you're interested in joining, contact Dawn Kemp at 269-365-7380 or jtdmk2@charter.net.

Sunday Morning

Book study of "Racial Sobriety: Becoming the Change You Want to See" by Clarence E. Williams, Jr. CPPS, PhD. The group will meet at 9 am on Sunday, June 25 in the Chapel. For more information contact Marsha Costales, mlcstls@aol.com

BLESS OUR GUESTS!

The Radical Hospitality Team urges all who care about Chapel Hill becoming an ever-more vital congregation to attend "Bless Our Guests!" This one hour session will give us all specific tools for learning how to shape our faith community culture to be all about receiving those NOT already here as our honored guests. Choose Tuesday, June 27th or Thursday, July 13th for this opportunity to learn how to invite, welcome, and integrate newcomers into the life of Chapel Hill. The fun training begins at 7:00pm and childcare is available upon request (by June 22nd for the Tuesday event, and by July 10th for the Thursday event).

Vacation Bible School

Join us July 16th-19th for "We Tell God's Stories"! This year's Vacation Bible School (5:30-8:00pm each night with dinner offered at 5pm) will be full of drama, music and a lot of fun! This is also the first year that your child can pick two classes to attend each day of VBS. Make sure you sign up ahead so your child will be placed in the class they want. <http://www.pchum.org/vbsform>

Volunteers Needed

To make VBS happen, it takes about 75 volunteers. If you have a day or more available, please consider joining us. All kinds of talents are needed to make this event a success. To volunteer, email Andrea at Andreatrantham@pchum.org

yE Mission Trip News

Unfortunately we have had to cancel our plans to participate in the poverty simulation at Urban Spirit in Louisville, KY this year. We sincerely hope to provide our youth with this experience in the future. We do have an alternative mission trip offering for this summer:

- ◆ Where: Cass Community Social Services - Detroit, MI
- ◆ When: Friday, July 21st thru Sunday, July 23rd
- ◆ How much: \$90 per person (\$45 with 50% scholarship)
What: When we have stayed at Cass Community Social Services in the past, youth have helped with their "Detroit Treads" program, worked with the various shelters they maintain and learned about the many programs and opportunities offered by their dedicated staff.

Check out their website to learn more at www.casscommunity.org

For more information or to sign up, contact Larry at larryfrench@pchum.org or call/text 616-551- 9280

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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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ONLINE GIVING FROM YOUR SMART PHONE

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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