

THE VOICE

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 7-16-17

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!

PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

Pastor - Barry Petrucci

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

NEW LIFE REMIX: SUMMER WORSHIP

Announcements Loop

Gathering Music

Opening Liturgy

Singing Our Praises

Welcoming Moment

Kid's time

Message for the Week

Closing Liturgies

Singing Our Faith

Sending into the World

**Scripture for Next Week -
Romans 8:12-25**

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. We gather there after the 10:30 service and stay until 3 p.m. Youth from 13-18 must be accompanied by an adult. If you would like information about this important ministry, contact Deacon Pat at PatCatellier@pchum.org.

Vacation Bible School

All Ages starts today!

Please join us for "We Tell God's Stories" with lots of drama and music! The fun starts tonight at 5:30pm. Dinner offered at 5:00pm. Please sign up at the link below. www.pchum.org/vbsform

ADULT OFFERINGS @ VBS

"Aligning Our Lives to God's Vision" Taught by Pastor Barry Petrucci in the Chapel

- God's desired outcomes for our lives and for Christ's Church matter and create a future focus.
- Why alignment may be unpopular, disruptive, and easy to ignore
- What alignment means as Chapel Hill lives more faithfully into the prescriptions of the Vital Church Initiative
- The difference between "Consumer Christians/Churches" and "Provider Christians/Churches"
- Bring your favorite Bible
- Sign up www.pchum.org/vbsform

LiFT- Ladies in Fellowship Together will be meeting each night of VBS to talk about the week's themes and grow closer together. You are welcome to come for one night or all four. Located in the Upper Room.

All adult classes are drop-in classes. Please join us!

BELL CHOIR LOOKING FOR RINGERS

The bell choir is looking for new members for the fall! Reading music is helpful but not required. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Willhite, 269-584-0496 kathleenwillhite@att.net

JOYFULLY GIVING REMINDER

Online giver? If you have recently made changes to your pledge amount per the Taking the Next Steps campaign, please remember to log in to your account (pchum.org/give) and make those changes online. If you have any questions or need help, please contact Christina Redmond at christinaredmond@pchum.org or stop by the office during office hours and she can assist you.

INTERFAITH PICNIC POTLUCK

On Sunday, July 30th at 3pm we will be the host faith community for the Congregation of Moses, Temple B'nai Israel, and the Kalamazoo Islamic Center. Pastor Barry has been meeting weekly with the Rabbis and Imam, growing to know each other more deeply as friends and brothers. As Jews, Muslims, and Christians are all rooted in the same family tree of Abraham, our communities have much to receive and much to give in building relationships. This will be our third gathering. This picnic will be an opportunity to play together, eat fantastic foods, celebrate our children and youth, and to share with each other around tables in guided conversation.

The Faith In Action team is taking leadership of this day, but there will be sign-ups for food and hospitality opportunities. PCHUM will do salads. To honor and respect the Muslim and Jewish dietary laws, guides for preparing salads will be made available.

PCHUM 101

NEXT MEETING: JULY 23

PCHUM 101 is a class to learn more about life at Chapel Hill and what it means to become a member. Pastor Barry will sit down with all interested folks for a block of time and refreshments at 2:30pm in Room #108. Childcare is available upon request.

BAPTISM AND NEW MEMBER

SUNDAY

We are planning a Sunday morning celebration of baptism and for those who so desire, membership with Chapel Hill, on Sunday, July 23 at the 10:30am service. If you desire to be baptized, or desire baptism for your child, please email office@pchum.org. If you have completed PCHUM 101 and/or talked with Pastor Barry about becoming a member, you are invited to join! Email office@pchum.org.

PCHUM Blood Drive

Time for the semi-annual Chapel Hill Blood Drive!

- August 5, 10:00am-3:45pm
- Fellowship Hall (Lower Level)
- Volunteers needed: see insert

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

Please plan to be here on Sunday, August 13 for a special celebration. Barbara Hong is retiring as our organist after 11 years of service with us. She will be accompanying the Chancel Choir on the organ during the 10:30am service. Following worship, there will be an opportunity to greet her and share appreciation in the lobby. A cake reception is planned.

Gifts for Barbara can be placed in the offering basket. Make checks out to PCHUM (be sure to note "retirement" on your memo line). Gifts can also be donated online: pchum.org/give using the "Barbara retirement" category.

CHUM PRESCHOOL

Open Enrollment for 2017-2018 CHUM Co-op Preschool is going on now! Please go to www.ChumPreschool.org or call CHUM at 269-251-2131.

PCHUM LEADERSHIP TRAINING

This is an essential training put on by Pastor Barry and the Leadership Selection and Development Committee for all members of Core Teams. As we move into a new organizational structure for our ministries, this training will help us more intimately relate to the changes and find our own ministry "voices" in the new stuff. There will be plenty of opportunities to ask questions, to learn how to build the best possible teams for the work of God, to envision God's desired future for this Faith Community and the communities we serve beyond the church walls.

Take your pick! Sunday, August 20th from 2:30-5:30pm or August 26th from 9:00am-noon. Childcare will be available on request. Please RSVP your attendance to office@pchum.org or 327-6643, ext. 103.

yE Mission Trip is cancelled

For questions contact Larry at larryfrench@pchum.org or call/text 616-551-9280

THE DETAILS

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 Andrea Tramel in the office at andreatramel@pchum.org. If you would like the information in *The Voice*, please have your information in by noon on Tuesday.

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www.pchum.org/discover/newsletter.html.



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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.