

# THE VOICE

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 7-9-17

## 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

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# 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!*

Announcements Loop

Gathering Music

Opening Liturgy

Singing Our Praises

Welcoming Moment

Kid's time – Buckets of Love

Message for the Week

Response in Prayer

Offering

Singing Our Faith

Sending into the World

## 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.

## SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY:

**JAMES 3:13-18** (from *The Message Bible*)

Do you want to be counted wise, to build a reputation for wisdom? Here's what you do: Live well, live wisely, live humbly. It's the way you live, not the way you talk, that counts. Mean-spirited ambition isn't wisdom. Boasting that you are wise isn't wisdom. Twisting the truth to make yourselves sound wise isn't wisdom. It's the furthest thing from wisdom—it's animal cunning, devilish conniving. Whenever you're trying to look better than others or get the better of others, things fall apart and everyone ends up at the others' throats.

Real wisdom, God's wisdom, begins with a holy life and is characterized by getting along with others. It is gentle and reasonable, overflowing with mercy and blessings, not hot one day and cold the next, not two-faced. You can develop a healthy, robust community that lives right with God and enjoy its results only if you do the hard work of getting along with each other, treating each other with dignity and honor.

## Scripture for Next Week - Romans 8:1-11

## ADULT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

“Aligning Our Lives to God's Vision”

This adult class will be offered each night of VBS at 5:30pm

- 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.

## 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](http://pchum.org/give)) and make those changes online. If you have any questions or need help, please contact Christina Redmond at [christinaredmond@pchum.org](mailto:christinaredmond@pchum.org) or stop by the office during office hours and she can assist you.

## INTERFAITH PICNIC POTLUCK

### SAVE THE DATE

Sunday July 30, 3:00pm, Location Chapel Hill  
People from the Kalamazoo Islamic Center, Temple B'Nai Israel, Congregation of Moses, and Portage Chapel Hill are gathering together to get acquainted, share food and explore common ground. Please watch for more details to come.

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:office@pchum.org).

## SUNDAY PARENTS OF YOUNG KIDS

Hey Moms and Dads! We have a small group for you. Let's get together in fellowship, reflect on some scripture and talk about the joys and struggles of parenthood. We are meeting twice a month during the summer after church (11:45ish) at a different park. Please bring your kids and a picnic lunch. Today's meeting will be at the Westfield Park 4500 West Milham. Next Meeting July 23 at Haverhill Park. Contact Greathen Derenne 517-403-6472 [greathen@gmail.com](mailto:greathen@gmail.com) for more information

## PCHUM BLOOD DRIVE

Time for the semi-annual Chapel Hill Blood Drive!

- August 5, 10:15am-4pm
- Fellowship Hall (Lower Level)

## 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](mailto:kathleenwillhite@att.net)

## BLESS OUR GUESTS!

Thursday, July 13

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. Learn how to invite, welcome, and integrate newcomers into the life of Chapel Hill. The fun training begins at 7:00pm and child-care is available.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

### Register Today!

It is NOT too late to register for Vacation Bible School. We hope you will join us July 16th-19th for "We Tell God's Stories"! (5:30-8:00pm each night with dinner offered at 5pm) This is 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>

### Nursery Person Needed

A safe placed volunteer is needed for the nursery Wednesday July 19th 5:30pm-8:00pm. If you are not a safe place volunteer but are interested in becoming one or to volunteer, email Andrea at [andreatrantham@pchum.org](mailto: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](http://www.casscommunity.org)

For more information or to sign up, contact Larry at [larryfrench@pchum.org](mailto: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](http://www.pchum.org)**.

Information to be promoted should be sent to Andrea Tramel in the office at **[andreatramel@pchum.org](mailto: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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## 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 near the Welcome Center. Magnetic and stick-on badges are available.