

# THE VOICE

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 9-16-18

WELCOME TO PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

God loves you and there is  
nothing you can  
do about it!

PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am - 2pm  
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## “BELONG” MEMBERSHIP CLASS

- Today ~ 2:00pm ~ Room #218

Chapel Hill is proud to offer three unique ways to explore what it looks like to be a “member” of this faith community. These new classes are called Belong, Discover, and Respond, and they take the place of what was formerly PCHUM 101. Each class will be offered 3 times per year, and you can take them in any order. The Belong class is all about getting to know the pastor, knowing where Chapel Hill has been and where it’s going, and talking about those parts of faith that can feel a bit “sticky.” The Discover class will deal with each participant’s individual path to discipleship, as well as what the United Methodist denomination is all about. And finally the Respond class will get you thinking about what discipleship looks like outside the church walls, and outside of your own comfort zone. These classes were designed for both the person who is brand new to Chapel Hill, and for those who have been attending regularly but maybe aren’t sure yet what it all means for them. Consider yourself invited to Belong, Discover, and Respond!

## LEADERSHIP TRAINING

- Sunday September 30 ~ 2:00pm ~ Fellowship Hall

Want an excellent opportunity to fine-tune some church leadership skills? Maybe ask some questions that have been on your mind? Get around tables with other leaders to get a better “big picture” view of Chapel Hill and where we are going, for God’s sake? Pastor Barry and the Leadership Selection and Development Team expect elected leaders and invite all to participate in the next Leadership Training on Sunday, September 30 from 2:00pm to 5:00pm.

## SAVE THE DATE - RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

- Saturday October 6 ~ 10:15am-4:00pm

The American Red Cross is in constant need of blood donations. Did you know that you can sign up for your preferred time slot now? Simply go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org), and use CHUM as our sponsor code. Help is needed for our drive to be a complete success. Some food items are needed, as well as helpers to take down at the end of the drive. Interested persons can contact Sue Dueweke at [suzydue@sbcglobal.net](mailto:suzydue@sbcglobal.net).

## DROP-IN CLASSES AND GROUPS

### SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

Upper Room ~ Room #209

Traditional Bible study

FaithLink ~ Room #218

Discussion of current events

### TUESDAYS @ 7:00PM

Lectionary Bible Study ~ Room #108

## FERMENTING FAITH

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

Gather some friends for dinner and come to “Fermenting Faith” at Lodo Company restaurant in Portage every Tuesday night for casual conversations on life, faith, God, and the world. Topics will be selected in advance by participants, and soft drinks will be provided.

## BORGESS FLU VACCINE CLINIC

- Sunday October 7 and Monday October 8

Chapel Hill is partnering with Borgess Hospital to offer flu and pneumonia vaccines on Sunday, October 7 from 9:30am – 12:30pm and Monday, October 8 from 10:00am-Noon. For anyone without insurance, cash or check will be accepted as payment. No debit or credit cards, please.

## TRUNK OR TREAT

- Saturday October 27 ~ Lower parking lot
- 4:00pm Pizza, 5:00pm Set up, 6:00pm Event start

Never participated in a Trunk or Treat event? It's lots of fun! You bring your own vehicle, decorate it to a theme you like and pass out candy or treats to the kids. Don't want to decorate your vehicle? That is okay too, you are welcome to just pass out candy from your trunk! Please sign up to make sure we have enough participants to make this possible. Please plan to hand out candy to at least 500 kids, our numbers have been growing. If you are unable to participate, but would like to help out in another way, please contact Deanne Austin at [deannaustin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:deannaustin@sbcglobal.net) or 269-629-4831.

## GENEALOGY WITH DORIS METTLER

- Tuesday September 18 ~ 10:00am

Are you interested in researching past generations of your family? Doris has been researching her family for over 25 years. She served as president of the Kalamazoo Valley Genealogical Society for 2 year and has also taught a class for over 3 years on genealogy. This group meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month in Room #218. If you have any questions, and to help you in your journey, please contact Doris Mettler at 327-8272 or at [d.e.mettler@sbcglobal.net](mailto:d.e.mettler@sbcglobal.net).

## CHANCEL CHOIR OPEN FOR NEW MEMBERS

The Chancel Choir is looking for new members and that could be you! The choir meets on Thursdays from 7:00pm-8:30pm in the choir room and participates in worship at The Gathering 9:00am service each Sunday. Additional performances are at Christmas Eve, Holy Week, Easter and throughout the year September through Memorial Day. There is a very liberal vacation plan so your fall/winter/spring adventures don't have to be put off. The choir enjoys great seats for congregational viewing, have the chance to watch the organist play, don't have to wear robes (often), get to participate in joint musical activities with other churches, and are a dedicated small group that has a direct impact on worship on Sunday mornings. To join see Fred Sang ([FredSang@pchum.org](mailto:FredSang@pchum.org)) or simply come to rehearsal on Thursday. All are welcome.

## MEETING WITH BISHOP DAVID BARD

- Wednesday October 17 ~ 7:00pm
- First United Methodist Church 212 South Park Kzoo

Our Michigan Conference Bishop, David A. Bard will be at Kalamazoo First United Methodist Church at 7:00pm on Wednesday, October 17 to talk with us about the future of The United Methodist Church. The denomination has been "stuck" for decades in policies on human sexuality. The Commission on a Way Forward, and the final report of the Council of Bishops will inform a special General Conference deciding whether we can stay united and in what ways. Pastor Barry urges the church to prioritize this gathering so that we are all well-informed as we seek to be a faithful congregation.

## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

### SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

Pre-K-4th Grade ~ Room #109

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

## YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

### SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

Confirmation Class (7th-8th Grade) ~ Room #114

9th Grade-12th Grade ~ Room #108

## SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

7:00PM ~ Fellowship Hall

6th-12th Grade

## YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

- Wednesdays ~ 6:00pm

Does your child or youth like to sing? Chapel Hill has a choir for them. Angel Choir is for 4 year olds through kindergarten, Disciple Choir is for 1st-5th grade and Sanctuary Choir is for grades 6th-12th. Rehearsals are every Wednesday from 6:00pm-7:00pm. Contact Director of Children's Ministries Andrea Trantham ([andreatrantham@pchum.org](mailto:andreatrantham@pchum.org)) for more information.

## SHARE THE WARMTH COAT DONATION

The Salvation Army will be collecting jackets and coats through the month of October. Chapel Hill will once again be a collection site. Please bring your new or gently used winter gear starting October 1st. There will be a collection bin in the lobby.

## CHAPEL HILL FAMILY FALL OUTING

- Sunday October 14 ~ 2:00pm
- Station 66 ~ 4588 D Dr. S, Battle Creek

Pumpkins, hayrides, doughnuts and cider! Engage in all the fun fall activities with your Chapel Hill family at Station 66 in Battle Creek. Let's meet at 2:00pm for a hayride. The cost is \$3.50 fro adults and \$2.50 fro kids. To find out more information about all the fun and food Station 66 has to offer go to [station66bc.com](http://station66bc.com). Please RSVP to Andrea Tramel at [andreatramel@pchum.org](mailto:andreatramel@pchum.org) by Friday October 12.

JOIN US EACH SUNDAY MORNING!



## the Table

8:00 am

Weekly Communion with Prayer



## the Gathering

9:00 am

Blended Worship style



## the Journey

11:00am

Contemporary Style Worship

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](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 across from the Coffee Bar. Magnetic badges are available.

### WEEKLY EMAIL

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