

THE VOICE

July 11, 2021

7th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME TO PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

The earth is the Lord's
and all that is in it.



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Are You THAT Kind of Person?!

Prelude	Prelude #1 in C Major	Bach
Pastoral Welcome		
Call To Worship		
Songs	10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) Lord I Need You	New Life Team
Pastoral Prayer		
Children's Time		Andrea Trantham
Hymn	Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus	
Scripture with Sung Response	Psalm 24	
Message	Are You THAT Kind of Person?!	Jess Davenport
Invitation to Offering		
Special Music/Offering	For the Beauty of the Earth	Chancel Choir
Dedication		
Hymn	Together We Serve	
Closing Liturgy		
Song	Wonder	
Blessing		
Postlude	Fugue #1 in C Major	Bach

Vacation Bible School Session 2 Begins July 19

- July 19-21 from 6-8 pm

The second session of Vacation Bible School begins Monday, July 19. Rising Preschoolers—5th graders are invited to come for games, stories, songs, and snacks, all centered around the theme “God In Motion!” Registration is required and there are just a few spots left. Please go to pchum.org/vbs to register.

Vacation Bible School is for Older Kids, too!

Youth VBS

- July 19-21
- 6–8 pm in Room 108

Pastor Jess will lead a session of VBS just for youth in grades 6-12. Games, a mission project, and ideas for future youth events are all part of the plan — ice cream, too!

Please register for Vacation Bible School by going to pchum.org/vbs.

Adult VBS has been cancelled due to a scheduling conflict. We're sorry for the inconvenience.

**Save The Date:
Fall Kick-Off!
Sunday, September 12**

Preschool News

Portage Chapel Hill Church is very pleased to announce the formation of **Chapel Hill Kaleidoscope Kids Preschool!**

Since the announcement in early spring that CHUM Preschool would be closing, conversations have been had about the need for preschool in the community, with particular focus on families who have felt excluded from other preschools in the area. With the full support of Chapel Hill's Guidance Board, Finance, and Facilities Teams, a new progressive faith-based preschool at Portage Chapel Hill Church for Fall 2021 is becoming a reality.

Details are still being worked out, but we want to start getting the word out to the community. If you or someone you know has a preschool-aged child and would like to know more about Kaleidoscope Kids, please email the church office at office@pchum.org.

Flood Clean-Up Assistance

Recent heavy rains have brought severe flooding to Michigan, particularly to the Detroit area. If you would like to contribute toward the clean-up process, please consider sending a financial gift to:

Michigan Conference Disaster Response Fund
1161 East Clark Rd., Suite 212
DeWitt, MI 48820

Please include **#4407 Michigan Area Disaster Response** in the memo line of your check.

You may also give to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), which takes over after the immediate response and helps with long-term recovery. Visit pchum.org/give and find UMCOR under the Faith In Action section.

Give By Mail:

Portage Chapel Hill
7028 Oakland Dr.
Portage MI 49024

Give Online:

pchum.org/give

Give On Realm:

onrealm.org/pchum

Text-To-Give:

Text “PCHUM” to
73256

Chapel Hill Welcomes

Kalamazoo Children's Chorus

Kalamazoo Children's Chorus (KCC) has made Portage Chapel Hill Church their new home. This last week they officially moved into the church building, sharing office space with Chancel Choir director Fred Sang. KCC is open to all kids and youth from age 8-18. Rehearsals are on Tuesday nights during the school year. If you know of a young person entering grades 2-12 who may be interested in getting a taste of KCC, they are holding a summer camp July 19-22 from 9 am—Noon at Celery Flats in Portage. For more information about the chorus, how to sign up for camp, or how to audition for the 2021-2022 season, please visit kalamazoochildrenschorus.org.

Portage Chapel Hill Church is excited to have Kalamazoo Children's Chorus as a new Partner in Ministry.

Upcoming ISAAC Events

Portage Chapel Hill Church is a proud member of Interfaith Strategy for Advocacy & Action in the Community (ISAAC). Here are some of ISAAC's upcoming events:

- **Annual Family Meeting, Tuesday, July 13 at 7 pm**—All are invited to gather on Zoom to hear about and celebrate all ISAAC accomplished in 2020.
- **3-on-3 Basketball Tournament & Career Fair, Saturday, July 17 at LaCrone Park**—Invite friends and family to a career fair and 3-on-3 basketball tournament at LaCrone Park in Kalamazoo on Saturday, July 17. Career fair begins at 2:30 pm and basketball tourney begins at 3:30 pm.
- **Virtual Banquet, Thursday, October 14 at 6 pm**—Dr. Michael Eric Dyson, author of "Tears We Cannot Stop: A Sermon to White America" will be the keynote speaker.

For more information please visit isaackalamazoo.org or email the church office at office@pchum.org.

Sunday Night Youth Group

- Sunday, July 11 from 7—8:30 pm

Sunday Night Youth Group will continue through July and into August! All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to come to the church Sunday nights from 7—8:30 pm for outdoor games, snacks and fun. We will not be meeting Sunday, July 4. Contact Pastor Jess at jessdavenport@pchum.org if you have any questions.

Update from the Finance Team

The Finance Team of Portage Chapel Hill Church would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the church family for their faithful financial support during the past fifteen months. This faithful giving, along with taking advantage of lower interest rates to refinance the church's mortgage, allowed the church to complete several long-deferred projects. These include installing a new roof, fixing the sewer connection between the church and the Romence Road property, repaving the parking lots, new lighting throughout the church, new paint and carpet in the offices, and the replacement of several furnace and air conditioning units.

We would also like to recognize and thank all the staff for their leadership and flexibility during the pandemic. Their hard work and dedication to Chapel Hill made these projects, and so much more, possible.

While the Finance Team acknowledges the beginning of the return to a new normal, we suggest that the current budget continue into the 2021-2022 budget year. The only immediate changes will be for pastoral and staff salary increases. In September, the Finance Team will evaluate where the church stands financially and decide if the overall budget should be increased.

The Finance Team
Shannon Rininger—Team Chairperson