The Chapel Times

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Pierce Chapel United Methodist Church

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Our mission is to develop mature disciples who know, love, and serve Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

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Sunday Worship Services at 8:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
5122 Pierce Chapel Road
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Global Impact Celebration Sunday

Join us on February 9!

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service in Worship Center
8:30 a.m. Modern Service in Chapel
10:00 a.m. Panel of Community Leaders
11:00 a.m. Traditional Service in Worship Center
12:00 p.m. Meager Meal (Make reservations at piercechapel.com/events)
(Children will eat with us and then 1st-5th grade will be dismissed for their own activity, and childcare will be available for Kindergarten & under!)
12:30 p.m. COPE (Cost of Poverty Experience)

Please plan to join us for a **"meager meal"** and the ***Cost of Poverty Experience*** (COPE) following the 11:00 service on February 9. You'll get a taste of what it's like for so many in our community who live on the margins, battling the sometimes hidden challenges of poverty every single day. Get ready to go deeper!

See the impact. Engage your heart. Inspire hope.

Learn more: piercechapel.com or facebook.com/piercechapelumc

This Faith Promise "year" ends on February 9!

Our total Faith Promise this year is $88,430, of which $74,269 has been received. If you made a Faith Promise for 2019, you may still give toward that through February 9. We will begin a new Faith Promise "year" on February 16. Thank you for your generosity! Lives will be changed because you have given faithfully. Please be in prayer now about the amount God will prompt you to write on your Faith Promise card on GICSunday (February 9). We look forward to what God will do through our collective generosity!

ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS

John Alston
Carolyn Billings
Virginia Brewer
Alice Brumbach
Donna Buterbaugh
George Cantrell
Annika Carpenter
Linda Cliff
Kathy Cobb
Savannah Delisle
Judy Dorer
Ben Dunton (Linda Socci's son)
Debby Graham
Jim Hawkins
Richard Howell
Bob Kellum
Bernadine Nash (Belita Walker's friend)
Teresa O'Donnell
E.P. Rolison
Kermit Roseberry
Don & Patti Russell
Kiddy Seifu
Cheryl Seymour
Byrdie Skipper
Sherry Swain (Lloyd & Alma Artz's friend)
Mickie Tennyson
Mitzi Valdespino (Sheila Cook's sister)
All military families

EXPECTANT MOTHER LIST

Ashton Graham (due February 2)
Ashley Burns (due March 21)
Kinsley Rodriguez (due April 4)
Rachel Kennedy (due May 10)

(Call the church office to add to the prayer list, and please let us know when it's appropriate to remove a name from the list.)

We express our love and sympathy to:

- Barbara Morris at the death of her husband, Hugh Morris, on January 22.

- Donna & Randy Pounds at the death of Donna's mother, Julia Payne, on January 29.

Congratulations to Haley and Matt Blankenship on the birth of their daughter, Blair Hunter Blankenship, on January 7. Blair weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz. and was welcomed by her big brother, Hudson.

Deadlines

News deadline for the February 15 newsletter is 12:00 noon on Monday, February 10.

Sunday worship bulletin deadline is 12:00 noon on Wednesdays. Please email newsletter and/or bulletin announcements to monica@piercechapel.com.

NEW Chapel Time - 8:30 a.m. This Sunday, February 2!

We are excited about what this change will mean for families with children (ages 3K-5th grade) who will be able to participate in Children's Church and Chapel Kids during the modern service on a weekly basis. The change also allows all of our PC family to enjoy coffee and goodies in our Hospitality Room at the same time (9:30) AND allows our modern service worshipers to get to Sunday Connections classes more promptly (closer to 9:45). Thank you, Pierce Chapel, for being willing to be flexible and to make changes that help us minister more effectively to those who are already a part of Pierce Chapel --- as well as to those who long to experience a loving church home. May God bless this change and allow it to bear fruit for the Kingdom!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS NOW AVAILABLE DURING THE CHAPEL SERVICE!*

- 3 years & under - Nursery, Room 201
- 3K-Kindergarten - Children's Church- RM 309 (All Sundays)
- 1st-5th Grades - Chapel Kids- Room 210 (2nd-5th Sundays)

Nursery opens at 8:15 am. All other children begin in The Chapel service with adults and will be dismissed out after opening worship to attend Children's Church or Chapel Kids. On 1st Sundays, 1st-5th grades will remain in the worship service to participate in Holy Communion.

**Beginning Sunday, February 2.*

FREE Donuts Sunday, February 2!

We are celebrating our Pierce Chapel Community! Be sure to meet new friends during Hospitality Time as we celebrate having ALL of our PC family together to share coffee and FREE donuts! This celebration is during regular Hospitality Time (before Sunday Connections) after the kickoff of the NEW 8:30 a.m. start time for The Chapel (modern) worship service; we hope to see you there!

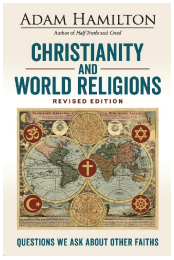
PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

FOR CHURCH MEMBERS

(Room 303- Preschool Director's Office)
Sunday, February 23, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

We offer: 2-day classes for one-year olds
3-day classes for two-and three-year-olds
4-day class for two-year olds
5-day classes for three and four-year-olds

Child must be appropriate age by September 1, 2020. Space is limited and classes fill on a first-come basis. A $100 non-refundable fee is required at the time of registration. If you have any questions, please contact preschool director Debi Van Noy (706-327-9807, ext. 6). Registration will open to the community Monday, February 24 at 8:00 am in the Chapel.



New Mary/Martha Bible Study

The Mary/Martha Bible study group will begin a new 6-week study on Monday, February 10 --- "Christianity and World Religions" by Adam Hamilton. We'll meet at the home of Elaine McKenzie (8095 Turtle Creek Drive) on Mondays, 7:00-8:15 p.m. for 6 weeks. For more info, contact Marie Massey at 706- 315-1093 or Elaine McKenzie at 706-570-0983.

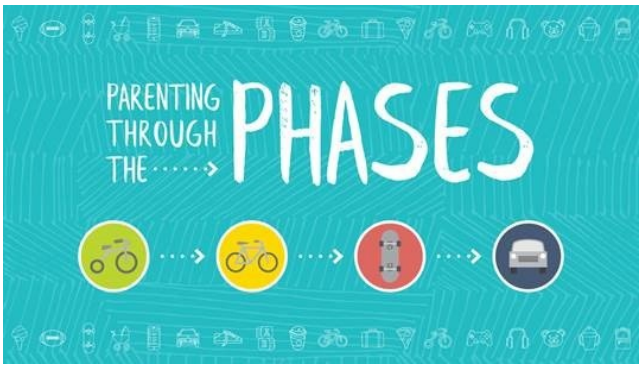
Chick-fil-A Spirit Night!

Please make plans to attend Pierce Chapel Preschool's Chick-fil-A Spirit Night on **Tuesday, February 4, with two times: 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. *AND* 5:00-8:00 p.m.!** Wear your Pierce Chapel shirt (if you have one), stop by Chick-fil-A at Kitten Lake in Midland, and tell them you are there for Spirit Night. A portion of your purchase comes back to our preschool and blesses our children! Invite friends and family to participate as well!

Happy Achers & Senior Exercise

Happy Achers sack lunch & games for senior adults happens in Room 210 at 12:30 p.m. on Thursdays. Join us for extraordinary fun & fellowship. Questions? Contact Thelma Bunch at 706-610-6496.

Senior Exercise meets Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays in the Youth Barn from 9:00-10:00 a.m. If you haven't been before, or need to check the dates that we may not be meeting, please contact Connie Luby at 706-325-2615 to learn of any changes in the schedule.



New Parenting Small Group Study Starting February 23!

Parents of all ages and stages are invited to join us for a 5 week Bible Study on *Parenting Through the Phases!* As a parent, you have approximately **936 weeks** from the time your child is born until he or she moves on to what's next. It goes by fast, and kids change and grow quickly. This small group study will help you discover what's changing about your kid, the six things your kid needs most, and four conversations to have with your kid while they are in each phase. Running February 23-March 22, this study will meet on Sunday afternoons from 4:00-5:00 pm. Children's choirs or childcare available. To sign up, email roseanna@piercechapel.com.

Women's Retreat at Pierce Chapel

Saturday, March 7
9:00 am-3:30 pm

Continental Breakfast-Meet & Greet-
Devotion/Bible Study-Small Group Interaction-
Crafts- Meditative Stretching-Lunch-Trail Walk-
Prayer -New Friend Making
Cost $10 (Childcare provided)
Sign up at the table on Sunday mornings!

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1 Sharon Anthony
Will & Debbie Duke's Anniversary
2 Ed Durham, Greg Herndon, & Elizabeth White
3 Kelsey Arnold, Terri Davis, Becky Hooper & Hannah Shives
4 Dianne Carpenter & Brooks Goldsmith
5 Jessica Stanley & Tom Wood
6 Andrew Crouch & Jessica Hasty
David & Wendy Boyd's Anniversary
7 Melissa Wells
8 Bruce Davis, Evan Herndon & Jackson Weisenburger
9 Linda Cliff, Maida McCann & Brandon Underwood
Tom & Carole Moore's Anniversary
10 David Boyd, Suzanne Tabor, Ben Todd & Meg Williams
Russell & Connie Bales' Anniversary
11 Parker Greer, Erin Castleberry, Will Graydon & Christy Hasty
12 Maria Greene, Adelynn Jenkins, Mikayla Shoemaker, Andrew Korytoski & Colette Daniel
14 Velva Campos & David Lord
Jim & Colette Daniel's Anniversary
Tom & Brenda Swilling's Anniversary
15 Chip Fry, Alexa Lane, & Emily Taylor
16 Mike Bowman & Lynn Ingram
17 Raylene Parker, David Meyer, Kathleen Mullins & Katie Ingram
Ben & Tina Armistead's Anniversary
18 Kasey Anthony Frisbee
19 James Seets
20 Cindy Mohney, Barbara Proffitt, & Shari Smith
Jim & Alberta Reaves' Anniversary
21 Maloree Link, Holly Pettis, & Karen Thompson
22 Elicia Maholick & Taylor Heinzelman
23 Kelly Howard, Neill Fuller, Kyle Phillips & John Howard White
Louise & Tom Frazier's Anniversary
24 Gray Holt, Carter McKinstry & Lucy McQuagg
Lonnie & Patty Freeman's Anniversary
25 Bobbie Getz, Jacob Greer & Joseph Tabor
26 Ray Davis
27 Leslie Wells
28 Sherry Pinet & Marty Schmitt
29 Kate Everett & Maddie Everett

Upcoming Youth News/Events:

Sunday Nights: *Youth (6th-12th grades) meet in the barn to eat, hang out and worship with our youth band starting at 5:00 p.m. —* **AND hear from our Youth Pastor, Noah Barfield!** *God has so much in store for us as a youth group in 2020 — don't miss out on these amazing times with your adult Small Group Leaders and the incredible youth of PCUMC! Hope to see you this Sunday!*

Youth Super Bowl Party: *Sunday, February 2, 5:00 til half time in the Worship Center. We will have pizza for dinner as well as snacks. We will play 9-square, ping pong, Mario Cart tournament and of course watch the Super Bowl!*

Wednesday Night Youth: *(6:00-7:30 p.m.) Join us on Wednesday nights for "Pray and Play in the Barn"! Come at 6:00 (eat before you come or bring a fast-food supper to eat in the barn) and we'll start with prayer concerns and sharing, then have fun playing games and hanging out! This is a great time to get to know others and bond as a group! Don't miss out!*

K.I.L.T. (Knights in Leadership Training): *Calling all high school aged young men! Please join us for our high school guys' discipleship group on Friday, February 7th, 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the Youth Barn. Call or text Stephen Childers at 706-905-1701 for more information.*

There will be no youth gathering Sunday night of the 16th as the group will be on WYR.

Have questions? Email our Director of Youth Ministries, Noah Barfield, at noah@piercechapel.com. Parents, if you are not on the youth parent email distribution list, please email monica@piercechapel.com and request to be added. Need to know how much money your student has in his/her Youth Account? Email Brian Williams at ebr3108@yahoo.com , or text him @ 706.615.4640

Dear Pierce Chapel Family,
Thank you so very much for your thoughtfulness and support during our time of loss. Your prayers, cards, kind words, and gifts to Building by Faith in memory of Tom's mother and brother touched our hearts. We feel so blessed to belong to the Body of Christ at Pierce Chapel and will be forever grateful for your kindness to our family.

Yours in Christ,
Tom & Juline Maholick

Pierce Chapel Family,
As many of you know, Mr. Michael Davis, head custodian at Fox Elementary, died on Wednesday, January 15. His death was a tragic accident that has impacted the lives of the the Fox faculty and staff and especially the children who affectionately called him "Mr. Mike." At the request of Dr. Scarborough, a meal was provided for his family and friends on Thursday, January 23. Fried chicken was provided by Pierce Chapel and sides and desserts provided by the Fox Reading Buddies. Thank you to those who have provided support through prayers, thoughts, gifts of food and words of encouragement. Please continue to pray for this sweet family as they face the difficult road ahead. Mr. Mike leaves behind five children, one of these a fourth-grade student at Fox, his wife, mother and other family members.

Sincerely,
Anne Gemes
(PIE – Partners in Education – Team Leader)