



# The Chapel Times

A Twice-a-Month Newsletter of  
Pierce Chapel United Methodist Church  
Established in 1855

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

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## Vacation Bible School is June 12-16

VBS is open to kids age 4 (by September 1) to current 5th grade. Plan to join us for an awesome week where kids build, explore and discover that they were made by the Ultimate Creator and that He has a plan just for them! Registration is NOW open! Go to [piercechapel.com/vbs](http://piercechapel.com/vbs) to register your child(ren).

### Volunteer here:

[piercechapel.com/volunteer](http://piercechapel.com/volunteer)

We are looking for people to be crew leaders, jr. crew leaders, to help with registration, decorating, setting up, snacks & cleaning up. Willing to serve? Contact [roseanna@piercechapel.com](mailto:roseanna@piercechapel.com) for more information.

### Crew Leader/Jr. Crew Leader Orientation: (choose one)

Saturday, June 10, 10:00-11:30 in Youth Barn

Sunday, June 11, 4:00-5:00 in the Chapel

## Want to help Saturday mornings!?

The VBS Decorating Team needs an army of helpers Saturday mornings to help with all the cool stuff they've been creating—robots, giant tools, cool machines and more! Please join us Saturday from 9:00-4:00 to help, and make sure to wear old clothes since it might get messy. **Youth and Tweens, this is a great time to collect some community service hours too!** Thank you for helping us make this a great VBS!

## Items Needed for VBS!

With over 300 kids each day at VBS, we go through a lot of supplies! To help keep costs down, we need to borrow a few things and ask for a few donations! Can you help us pull off another inspiring and fun-filled week by providing the following items? Please place items on the old pew under the Chapel and label all items that you would like returned.

### Donated Items:

20 5-gallon buckets  
(will be cut, so not loans)  
Gallon sized aluminum cans  
2 liter plastic soda bottles

### Loan Items:

Bungee cords (various lengths)  
Fake food (fruit, bread, vegetables, etc.)  
Wooden crates/boxes  
Silver garbage can (clean)  
12+ ft. rope for Tug of War (nylon)  
Boxed fans



**BEE** a part of VBS!

### Sunday Worship Services at 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Church Office 706-327-9807

FAX 706-327-7253

Preschool 706-327-9807, ext. 6

E-Mail Prayer Ministry: Send prayer requests to [prayers@piercechapel.com](mailto:prayers@piercechapel.com)

For news & current events, go to [piercechapel.com](http://piercechapel.com) or connect with us on Facebook or Twitter.

## ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS

Michil Abitew (Kiddy Seifu's brother)  
Carolyn Billings  
Cliff & Virginia Brewer  
Peggy Brooks  
Alice Brumbach  
Thelma Bunch  
Dorothy Carrothers  
Joann Cherry (Sheila Cook's sister-in-law)  
George Cliff  
Kathy Davis  
Will Duke  
Ben Dunton (Linda Socci's son)  
Marcia English  
Malachi Estevez (Leila Cantrell's great-grandson)  
Tracie Hadaway  
Margaret Hunt  
LaVerne McClellan  
Hugh Morris  
Susan Pagani (Alma Artz's niece)  
Julia Payne  
Don & Patti Russell  
Danny Seifu (Kiddy Seifu's son)  
Cheryl Seymour  
Mickie Tennyson  
Linda Todd  
Zane Vaughan  
Bill Wall  
Vivian Webb  
All past and present military service members  
All military families  
Our military partnership units:  
Crusade for Christ  
Warrior Transition Battalion

## EXPECTANT MOTHER LIST

Jenny Wilcox (due August 24)

*(Call the church office to make changes  
in the prayer list.)*

Please help us keep the prayer list updated by letting us know when it would be appropriate to remove someone's name from the list.

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*Dear Pierce Chapel UMC,  
This time last year, a home for at-risk babies was just a thought in the backs of our minds. Now it is up-and-running. It has been amazing to watch God work to bring His vision to fruition.*

*Your generosity has been a key element in making this a reality. Thank you for giving and helping us care for those most vulnerable children. May God continue to bless you as you serve Him.*

*Charity Scott  
M.O.M. Missionaries*

*Pierce Chapel Family,  
Thank you so much for the many thoughts and prayers during this difficult time after the loss of Ken. The lunch before the service was wonderful and most appreciated. I love you all so much. Words cannot really express how much all of the cards, texts, emails and kind words have meant to us.*

*Mary Wakefield & family*



## Mission Opportunities

- We are seeking qualified, interested individuals to partner with Pierce Chapel and Open Door Circles to teach classes on the following topics: **tenants' rights, couponing, mechanics 101, DIY home repair & self defense.** Contact Michelle Crawford at 706-580-8681 or [localmissions@piercechapel.com](mailto:localmissions@piercechapel.com) if you have skills in these areas that you are willing to share.
- Fresh produce is being collected for Grace and Trinity House (even though they have garden projects, there is still a need for more). Contact Gerry Pittman at [coalbucket56@yahoo.com](mailto:coalbucket56@yahoo.com) to have them picked up, if needed.
- We are collecting sanitizer (any size) and juice (individual sizes) for Rose Hill/Safe House for the month of June. Please put them in the bin by the Welcome Center.

## TEACH US TO PRAY

Friday-Saturday, June 2-3, Upatoi UMC

We have an opportunity to be led by Jim Hollis of Proactive Ministries to help us learn effective, strategic ways for Pierce Chapel to engage more faithfully in prayer.

Friday, June 2, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. (Includes supper)  
Saturday, June 3, 8:30 a.m. (Includes breakfast) - 3:00 p.m.

This workshop is free and open to all ages.  
To register, contact Lynn at [lynn@piercechapel.com](mailto:lynn@piercechapel.com).

## **Prayer Pager Ministry**

Thank you for your continued support of this ministry. Prayer pagers show others God loves them and cares for them as they're going through a difficult experience. The encouragement & comfort given as they beep & vibrate is immeasurable. Please take time to prayer page today and/or in the coming month.

### **CURRENT PRAYER PAGERS**

|                  |              |
|------------------|--------------|
| Carolyn Billings | 706-683-7680 |
| Bill Wall        | 706-683-7659 |
| Laura Gardner    | 706-683-1576 |
| Jan Greene       | 706-683-1547 |
| Linda Todd       | 706-683-7765 |
| Christie Warren  | 706-683-1590 |

Instructions: 1. Pray for the individual. 2. Dial the phone # beside the name. 3. When prompted, dial 111 & then #. 4. After you hear, "Thank you for calling," hang up. They will receive the prayer page within minutes. Questions? Contact Prayer Team Leader Yvonne Proft ([profty@bellsouth.net](mailto:profty@bellsouth.net)).



## Anniversaries and Birthdays

June

- 1 Kannon Wells
- 2 Robbie Brazie, Brenna Probus, Steve Keller
- 3 Colton McKay
- 4 Olivia Greene, Chris Reynolds, Ron Shives & Darryl Skelley  
Lloyd & Alma Artz's Anniversary
- 5 Hailey Joyner, Page McGaan & Emily Whitaker
- 6 Tommy & Barbara Harrell's Anniversary
- 7 Jennifer Glover, Robby Jones
- 8 Trey Thomas
- 9 Larry White
- 10 Mike Kress & Kyle Whitaker
- 11 Chad Hasty & Cassidy Shives  
Chris & Anne Gemes  
Bob & Amy Kellum's Anniversary
- 12 Craig Howell & Vince Massey
- 13 Jackson Boatner, Danielle Lorentz & Ethan Sanders  
Rick & Hope Stockton's Anniversary
- 14 Stephen Graves, Connor Jones & Trip McQuagg  
Grant & Bethany Venable's Anniversary
- 15 Kelsey Day, Craig Manning & Kyle Van Noy  
Bob & Lynn Ingram's Anniversary
- 16 Eddie & Karen Thompson's Anniversary
- 17 Mary Nerness & Kathy Robison  
Gene & Karen Hartin's Anniversary  
Randall & Debbie Tew's Anniversary
- 18 Marilyn Johnson & Jacob Tew
- 19 Becky Archilla, Joleen Oney & Beatrice Underwood
- 20 Julia Payne & Patti Russell  
Frank & Martha Bonner's Anniversary  
Chuck & Judy Crouch's Anniversary
- 21 Tommy Harrell, Randy Meeks & Mallory Hartley Thompson
- 22 Jack Kellum  
Chris & Melanie Castleberry's Anniversary  
Mike & Kelly Bownman's Anniversary
- 23 Chase Herndon & Ross Pinney
- 24 Mike McKay, Kathy Shand, CJ Watson & Lacey Williams
- 25 Kinsley Slayton
- 26 Brody Snipes  
Connie & Danny Dudley's Anniversary
- 27 Donna Hewlett, Samantha McQuagg Scott & Jim Underdown
- 28 Haley McQuagg Jimerson  
Randy & Jana Blanchard's Anniversary
- 29 Kyle Ammons, Helen Kress & Cari Pace  
Richard & Brenda Howell's Anniversary
- 30 Jason Howell, Cole Stansell & Rick Stockton

## Church Office Deadlines

News deadline for the **July 1** newsletter is **12:00 noon on Monday, June 19.**

Sunday worship bulletin deadline is **12:00 noon on Wednesdays.** Please email all newsletter and/or bulletin announcements to [katie@piercechapel.com](mailto:katie@piercechapel.com) or call Katie at 706-327-9807, ext. 1.

**SUMMER KICKOFF**

Two Awesome Parties,  
One Great Day!  
Sunday, June 4, at Pierce Chapel

- Kids Living In Christ (KLIC) 3rd & 4th Grade: 3:30-5:00 p.m.
- Tweenagers - 5th & 6th Grade: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Water fun & slip-n-slide!  
RSVP: [roseanna@piercechapel.com](mailto:roseanna@piercechapel.com)  
Bring sunscreen, swimsuit, old t-shirt and a towel!



**Youth Supper/Meeting** (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) — most Sundays, 5:30-7:30 in the Youth Barn. Bring a friend! Sunday supper is \$2 per person (adults, tweens & youth). We meet in the Youth Barn at 5:30 for supper and hangout time until 6:15. From 6:15 to 7:30 we worship together and have a lesson which includes experiential learning, student leaders, videos, and games. The summer schedule is crazy, so be sure to check it so you won't miss out! Please go to [piercechapel.com/youth/events](http://piercechapel.com/youth/events) to get the full schedule.

**YOUTH AFTERGLOW**

Great worship and awesome fun each week.  
Cost and time details will be announced each week.

**Afterglows** continue through Sunday, July 30. Each week after youth, we will have an activity called an "Afterglow" that will usually last until 9:00 or 9:30 p.m. Please go to [piercechapel.com/youth/events](http://piercechapel.com/youth/events) to get the full schedule.

**Summer Lunch Tour** is all summer long! Join us at 12:30 p.m. each week (either Tuesday or Thursday) at a different restaurant! Please go to [piercechapel.com/youth/events](http://piercechapel.com/youth/events) to get the full schedule.

**H.A.G.T.O.W.N. (Have A Good Time On Wednesday Night)** Bring a friend & join us Wednesdays at the field next to the Lake Bottom orchestra pavilion for good fun, fellowship, & Ultimate Frisbee!

**Souled Out Summer**  
go to [piercechapel.com/youth](http://piercechapel.com/youth)

**June 5-9**  
students finishing grades 6-12

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SOULED OUT SUMMER 2017

**Souled Out Summer is coming!** Our annual Souled Out Summer youth camp is Monday, June 5 to Friday, June 9 at Laguna Beach Christian Retreat Center, FL. Souled Out is full of inspired teaching, powerful worship, sharing time for students, group time for Pierce Chapel, and lots of free time for the beach, pool and organized recreation. Souled Out is open to students finishing 6<sup>th</sup> grade through students finishing 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Please pray for our group of 75+ students and chaperones while they are at Souled Out! On Sunday, June 4, you will have an opportunity to become a prayer partner with one of them by drawing a name out of a basket during the worship services.

Questions or concerns? Contact Nathan Carr at 706-464-7548.



Pierce Chapel is a Stephen Ministry congregation. For those who are experiencing a difficult life event we are blessed to be able to provide caring Christian men and women who will walk with you, listen to you, and show you the love of Christ. If you know a family member or friend who could benefit from a Stephen Minister, please contact Jane Armour (armourbj11@netzero.com or 706-763-8136) to discuss this important ministry.

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## Save the Date!

**Saturday, July 8, 11:30 a.m.**

Covered-Dish Lunch for All Women

*Sponsored by the United Methodist Women*

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## Flower Calendar Opportunities

There are openings on the flower calendar. If you'd like an opportunity to help make the Worship Center beautiful, sign up on the Flower Calendar (located at the Welcome Center). Two vases of flowers are available each Sunday at a cost of \$30 each. You may sign up for one or both vases wherever there is an opening. For more information, Tina Armistead (706-507-0351).

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## Team & Committee Meetings

### Trustee Meeting

Thursday, June 8, 6:30 p.m.

In the Conference Room

### Finance Committee

Monday, June 12, 6:30 p.m.

In the Conference Room

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## Happy Achers & Senior Exercise

Happy Achers Sack Lunch & Games for senior adults in the Hospitality Room at 11:30 a.m. on Thursdays. Bring a sack lunch! Join us for extraordinary fun & fellowship. Questions? Contact Sara Bankhead at 706-322-4753. Happy Achers will not meet on Thursday, June 15, because of VBS.

**Senior Exercise** meets Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays in the Youth Barn from 9:00-10:30 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.



Our **online directory** offers flexibility, functionality and helps us stay connected! If you are a member or you regularly attend Pierce Chapel (constituent), we want to make sure you have access to our secure, online directory!

### Here's how it works:

Use a computer/tablet to go to [piercechapel.com/directory](http://piercechapel.com/directory), create an account and login (Remember your username and password!). You can edit/update your information and add your own photo. You have 2 ways to look someone up:

- Type in their last name in the "search" bar in the top right corner (doesn't have pictures)
- Click on "directory" on the top left of the toolbar, then "Family directory with pictures"

Having trouble logging in? Contact Katie Ingram at [katie@piercechapel.com](mailto:katie@piercechapel.com) or 706-327-9807 ext. 1.



### You can have the directory on your phone!

If you own a smart phone and can download an app, then you can have the directory at the tip of your fingers. Go to your app/play store and search "Church Life." Download the app, enter the login information you created (the same ones you made with the account on your desktop/tablet), click "remember me," and log in.

With this phone app, you can search by last name or first name. When you choose someone, it gives you the option to call or text them with just a click of a button as well as their other information. This app can be downloaded on other devices as well.

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## The South Georgia Annual Conference Meeting June 4-7, 2017

Jekyll Island Convention Center

### Live Streaming

Watch all sessions live from your home or office, including all services of worship, Bible study sessions and business sessions [sgaumc.org/aclivestreaming](http://sgaumc.org/aclivestreaming). Streaming will begin on Sunday, June 4, with the opening worship service.

### Social Media

Follow various social media outlets throughout the event.

Facebook: [facebook.com/sgaumc](https://www.facebook.com/sgaumc)

Twitter: [twitter.com/sgaumc/](https://twitter.com/sgaumc/) #sgaumc

Instagram: [sgaumc](https://www.instagram.com/sgaumc)

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### South Georgia Conference Mission U

## "Growing in Love"

July 13-16 St. Simons Island, GA

The opening session is at 6:30 p.m. in the Ellie Harvey Room.

Registration deadline is Saturday, July 1.

To register please go to [epworthbythesea.org/events](http://epworthbythesea.org/events). Questions? Contact Karen Hartin at 706-615-1347 or [karen.hartin@yahoo.com](mailto:karen.hartin@yahoo.com).

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## National Alliance on Mental Illness

Pierce Chapel hosts a Connection Recovery Group Meeting on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month, 6:30-8:00 p.m. in Room 216. **Our June meetings are Thursdays, 1 & 15.** NAMI Connection Recovery Support Group is a free, peer-led support group for adults living with mental illness and people that live with those with mental illness. The groups are led by NAMI-trained facilitators who've been there. If this information does not pertain to you, please pass it on to someone it could benefit. If you have any questions contact Teresa O'Donnell at 706-289-7703 or Stephen Akinduro at 706-315-0966.