

Welcome

September 24, 2017
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
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Welcome and Announcements

*Statement of Mission and Faith

Leader: What is the mission of Pierce Chapel?

People: The mission of Pierce Chapel is to develop mature disciples who know, love, and serve Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Leader: What do you believe?

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. *universal

*Songs of Praise

"Glory"
"King of My Heart"

Children's Sermon

(After the children's sermon, children age 3-kindergarten are invited to go to Children's Church across the hall in Room 315, and children in 1st-4th grades are invited to go to Chapel Kids in the Chapel.)

*Faith Promise Highlight

Dr. David Lewis
Superintendent of Muscogee County Schools

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Greeting

*Song of Praise "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

*Prayer for the Offering (8:30) Gary Robinette (11:00) Allison Williams
Receiving the Offering

"Holy Spirit"

Written Word

Matthew 7:7-11

Spoken Word

"PERSEVERANCE: Ask, Seek, Knock"

*Song of Commitment "Good, Good Father"

*Benediction

*Please stand as you are able.

We are grateful to our band for leading us in worship today. Band members are: Tag Croxton, Jack Kellum, Steve Lewis, Lucas Sheppard, Thom Ward, Elizabeth White, & John Howard White.



Thank you for worshiping with us at Pierce Chapel today. We hope you'll be encouraged and inspired by your experience here. If this is your first time at Pierce Chapel, please take one of the colored bags found at the Welcome Center. It's our little gift to you! Again, thank you for being here today. May God bless you.

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.



CONNECTION CARD

Name _____ Email _____ Phone _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Names of other family members (include grades for children or youth): _____

Service attending: 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

Check all that apply: 1 *first* time guest Returning guest

1 *first* time filling out this card Update contact info

How did you hear about Pierce Chapel? _____

DECISION CARD

Name _____

Address _____


Phone _____

Email _____

I would like to:

- Receive Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.
- Recommit my life to Jesus Christ.
- Talk with the pastor.
- Be baptized.
- Become a member of Pierce Chapel.

Questions and/or comments: _____



Prayer Request
Please write your prayer request below so we may join with you in prayer.

Please pray for _____

Requested by _____

Would you like to be informed when prayers are lifted up? Yes / No

Email _____

Phone# _____

Please place completed form in the offering plate today or in the locked box at the Welcome Center. Your request will be communicated promptly to our 15-member Prayer Team.

OUR STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

September 24, 2017

<u>Attendance</u>	Sunday School: 180	Sunday Night:
	8:30 Worship: 183	Youth at 3 rd Night: 22 + 4 adults
	11:00 Worship: 217	Youth Camping: 32 + 8 adults + 3 college leaders
	Worshippers at Camp: 33	Tweenagers: 11 + 2 adults
	Total in both services: 433	

<u>Offering</u>	Generously Given	\$10,242.31
	Generously Given to Date	\$579,900.49
	Budgeted to Date for Ministry	\$590,816.97
	Benevolence Fund	\$155.00
	Faith Promise (Mission Offering) Generously Given to Date	\$41,006.84
	South GA Conference UMCOR (Hurricane Relief)	\$410.00
	Our House Methodist Children's Home (Work Day Offering)	\$1,215.00
	Rose Hill UMC (Sunday School Offering)	\$129.00
	Building by Faith	\$1,657.00
	Building by Faith Loan Principal \$1,013,885.45	Targeted Monthly Payment \$13,527.00
	Building by Faith Month-to-Date Generously Given	\$5,997.00
	Building by Faith Month-to-Date Shortage/Overage	(\$7,530.00)

Gifts were given to Building By Faith:
 — in memory of Amy Patton by Kathleen Mason.
 — in honor of Rick & Judy Dorer's Anniversary by Mac & Shannon Wooldridge.

The flowers in the Worship Center are lovingly arranged by V. Susan Williams and given by:
 — Dave & Carol Sutcliffe in honor of their 56th wedding anniversary.
 — Gordon & Billie J. Stallings in honor of Billie's birthday.

Hearing assistance devices are available in the audio-visual booth at the back of the Worship Center.

A "cry room" with closed-circuit TV capability (Room 305) is available across the hall for parents of infants and toddlers who wish to keep their children with them for the service but feel more comfortable in a more child-friendly environment.

PIERCE CHAPEL STAFF

Rev. Howard G. White	Pastor
Rev. Lynn Meadows-White	Minister of Discipleship
Nathan Carr	Director of Youth Ministries
Roseanna Harbuck	Children's Ministry Coordinator
Donna Pounds	Service Accompanist/Choir Director
Debi Van Noy	Preschool Director
Katie Ingram	Church Secretary
Dawn Krueger	Financial Secretary
Jessica Stanley	Youth Ministry Assistant
Justin Daniel	Tweenager Intern
Katie Ingram	Nursery Director/Caregiver
Kiddy Seifu	Nursery Caregiver
Lisa Courtney	Custodian
Steven McKenzie	Set-Up Custodian
Jarod Ingram	Security

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.



Pierce chapel
 United Methodist Church
 open hearts • open minds • open doors



Developing mature disciples
 who know, love, and serve Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior

Mary/Martha Women's Group

The Mary/Martha Women's Group will be studying *Uninvited* by Lysa TerKeurst on Mondays, beginning October 2, for 6 weeks. In *Uninvited* Lysa lays out a heartfelt means to managing the fears, rejection, insecurities, and unsteadiness we all experience. Join us Monday, October 2 as we laugh, tear up, and become seriously convicted in our own journey of faith. We will meet 7:00-8:15 p.m. at the home of Barbara Rouse (see address below).

Growing in Grace Book Club

So many books to read, so little time!

A new quarterly book study group is beginning this fall. This group is open to women of all ages who love to read. We will read one book a quarter, then meet for a pot luck supper to discuss the book. This fall we are reading *Of Mess and Moxie* by Jen Hatmaker. Read the book on your own time, then we will meet on Monday, November 27, at the home of Barbara Rouse for dinner, fellowship, and discussion.

Barbara Rouse's address is 3344 Shirehill Lane. Please contact Barbara for more information about Mary/Martha or the Growing in Grace Book Club at rousehouse54@yahoo.com or 706-464-0425.

Copies of this week's calendar are available on the credenzas in the hallway.

Frozen Assets

Would you like to spend a few hours cooking in our kitchen while blessing others in our congregation? Then please join us this Saturday, September 30, 10:00 a.m. in the Pierce Chapel kitchen. The Frozen Assets Team will be preparing frozen meals that we will take to those in need at our church at a later date. We would love your help, but space is limited! To reserve your space or for any questions you might have, please text Susan Wooldridge at 706-358-2973.

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

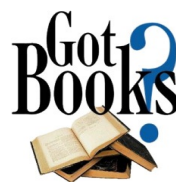
Carolyn Billings	706-683-7680	Jan Greene	706-683-1547
Bill Wall	706-683-7659	Linda Todd	706-683-7765
Laura Gardner	706-683-1576	Christie Warren	706-683-1590

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).

Support Pierce Chapel's Mission Efforts with BBQ Tix!



Take a pack of 4 BBQ tickets (\$8 each) and reach out to friends, neighbors, co-workers and extended family to offer them the chance to purchase a BBQ plate — they'll have an excellent meal & will be supporting God's work through Pierce Chapel. Please get your tickets near the Welcome Center, and return the money for the tickets as well as the completed stubs no later than Sunday, October 8.



Clear out your old books and DVDs

Donations of gently used books & DVDs (no CDs please) are requested for our "Media for Missions" booth at Market Day. 100% of the proceeds from this booth will help fund future Global Impact Celebrations. Bring book donations to the marked box near the Welcome Center.

You and your kindergartner are invited...



to visit Pack 555 and join the Lion Den for the 2017-2018 school year. The Lion Program is a national pilot program for kindergarten-age boys. The program is designed to introduce families and boys, age five and six, to the Cub Scouting program. The Lion Den will meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesday each week. Scouts and their Lion Guides will work in the Lion workbook to earn the Rank of "Lion." Each week will be a new adventure! Please join us on Tuesday, October 3, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Pierce Chapel. Questions? Contact

Sara Banks at 706-315-6739 or scoutpack555@gmail.com.

Helpers Needed for Market Day

Market Day is a church-wide effort to fund our future Global Impact Celebrations, and we need some willing servants to help us pull it off! Please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate if you're able to help in any of these ways:

- Help clear the Worship Center & classrooms on Thursday, October 12, 6:00 p.m.
- Help cook in the church kitchen on Friday, October 13, 9:00 a.m.-until
- Welcome & help vendors "move in" on Friday, October 13 (anytime 2:00-7:00)
- Serve breakfast on Saturday, October 14, 7:30-10:00 a.m.
- Help in the kitchen on Saturday (7:00-10:00, 10:00-1:00, or 1:00-3:00)
- Serve as a parking lot attendant on Saturday 11:00-2:00
- Serve as a greeter on Saturday (9:00-11:00, 11:00-1:00, or 1:00-3:00)
- Serve in dining area hospitality (7:00-10:00, 10:00-1:00, 1:00-3:00)
- Help clean up kitchen and/or Worship Center (2:00-4:00)

Questions? Contact Debbie Tew at 706-289-3836 or tewfarm@mchsi.com.

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Our Calendar for the week

Sunday, September 24

12:15-2:00 PM Community Group Leaders in Hospitality Room
2:00-3:00 PM Teen Advisors in Chapel
4:30 PM Children's Choirs in Worship Center
5:30-7:30 PM *W.O.W. (Women of the Word) in Hospitality Room
5:30-7:30 PM Tweenagers (5th-6th grades) supper/meeting
5:30-7:30 PM Youth (7th-12th grades) supper/meetings

Monday, September 25

9:15-11:15 AM *W.O.W. (Women of the Word) in Youth Barn
6:30-8:30 PM L.I.G.H.T. (Ladies Inspiring God's Holy Truth) in Youth Barn
6:30 PM Local Mission Team in Conference Room
7:00 PM Called Administrative Council in Worship Center

Tuesday, September 26

9:00-10:30 AM Senior Exercise in Youth Barn
6:30-8:00 PM Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts throughout church
7:00 PM Tabitha's Heart in home of Tina Armistead
7:00 PM Beyond the Valley in Conference Room

Wednesday, September 27

6:00-6:50 PM Youth (7th-8th grades) Small Groups in Youth Barn
6:00-6:50 PM Youth (9th-12th grades) Small Groups in main building
7:00-7:45 PM Youth (7th-12th grades) Ultimate Frisbee
7:30-8:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal in Room 302
8:00-8:30 PM Christmas Cantata Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 28

9:00-10:30 AM Senior Exercise in Youth Barn
11:30 PM Happy Achers sack lunch & games in Hospitality Room
6:30-8:00 PM *Financial Peace University in Worship Center
6:30 PM G.O. (Global Outreach) Team in Conference Room

Saturday, September 30

9:00-10:30 AM Senior Exercise in Youth Barn

*Indicates loving childcare provided for infant to 36 months.