

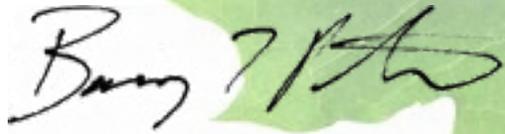
# Fall Restart

September 9, 2018

Restart. As a noun it is a fresh start or beginning. The verb puts it into action, as in Ministries at Chapel Hill will restart after a wild and wonderful summer! And they will! It is not that NOTHING has been going on during the summer. Vacation Bible School, Youth Mission, Seminarian-in-Residence, a new staff position formed in the Director of Discipleship, lots of planning for ministries brand new and those restarting.

So, I welcome you to Restart. It is a restart for church ministries and a restart for each of us to commit to pathways of getting closer to God in Christ, and the Church that has been given for the transformation of the world. Check out the goings on at Chapel Hill and find places to plug-in. If you are looking for a relaxed setting for adult questions and conversation on religion, scripture, challenges and growth, check out Fermenting Faith at Lodo Company, 153 W Centre Ave (in the Portage Centre Plaza) on Tuesday nights starting at 6:30pm beginning September 11th.

Looking forward to the Restart with you! Be Blessed~



Barry Petrucci  
Lead Pastor

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## Sunday Mornings

### Upper Room The Bible Study

This drop-in traditional Bible study meets every Sunday in room #209 at 10:00am and is lead by Joe Buysse.

### Faithlink

How should we view current global issues following in the Methodist tradition? FaithLink takes a brief, fast-paced look at a new topic each week. No homework to be completed. Just bring a curious mind. FaithLink meets at 10:00am in Room #218 Questions? Contact Kathy Willhite: [kathleenwillhite@att.net](mailto:kathleenwillhite@att.net).

### Pathways to Discipleship:

### Belong, Discover, Respond

Next Class September 16, 2:00pm

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!

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## Children’s Ministry

There are two Sunday School opportunities each week for youth in Preschool through 4th grade. At 10:00am, kids will meet downstairs to enjoy an hour of stories and playtime, with groups set by grade level. Parents can pick up their kids downstairs at 11:00am. Kids coming at 11:00am will meet downstairs and enjoy 45 minutes of activities with all ages staying together. Then they will come up to the Sanctuary to re-join their families for the end of the 11:00am worship service. The best part of all this? Kids are welcome to stay for BOTH hours of Sunday School! It will not be a repeat of activities from one hour to the next, but rather one Bible story each week, taught and reinforced using different activities. You are invited to check out the changes!

## Youth Ministry

High School age youth (grades 7-12) are invited to join us in class this year from 10:00am to 11:00am every Sunday. We will explore the issues teens grapple with most when trying to live faith-based lives. We’ll explore what it means to be a Christian in today’s world, how the bible has been used to oppress various groups of people throughout history, and other subjects in a 4 week series-based model. This year’s Leadership Team of Meredith Kerr, Phil Hammond, and Larry French are looking forward to welcoming both returning and new youth to our class!

### Youth Group Sundays at 7:00pm Fellowship Hall

Youth Group meets Sundays at 7:00pm-8:30pm. Grades 6th-12th grade are invited for food, fellowship and fun! Join us this (or any) Sunday downstairs in Fellowship Hall. Contact [LarryFrench@pchum.org](mailto:LarryFrench@pchum.org) with questions.

### 10:00am

Children’s Sunday School  
Ages PreK- 4th Grade  
Room #109  
Club 56  
Ages 5th-6th Grade  
Room #114

### 11:00am

Ages PreK-4th Grade  
Room #114

### 10:00am

Youth Sunday School  
Room #108

# Fall Events & Music

## Leadership Training

*Sunday September 30*

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 in the Fellowship Hall.

## 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.

## Genealogy with Doris Mettler

*3rd Tuesday of each month*

Are you interested in researching 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).

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## Youth and Children’s Choir

*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.

## Bell Choir

*Wednesdays 7:00pm*

We invite you to be a part of the bell choir. Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 7:00pm-8:30pm in Room #208. A basic understanding of reading music is helpful but not necessary. Please call Kathy Willhite at 269-584-0493 to learn more.

## Chancel Choir

*Thursdays 7:00pm*

The Chancel Choir is looking for new members! 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.

# Fall Small Groups

## The Invitation

*Mondays 6:30pm*

This small group meets on Monday nights from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at Park Village Pines, 2920 Crystal Lane in Kalamazoo. This fall we will begin a new book series. This small group is actively seeking new participants to the group. You are welcome to join us at any time. Questions? Contact Deacon Pat at [patcatellier@pchum.org](mailto:patcatellier@pchum.org).

## Tuesday's Grace

*Tuesdays 7:00pm*

This small group meets on Tuesday (duh!) evening at 7:00pm with a variety of activities and lots of fun! We meet in room #218 unless we have a craft that is not "library friendly" or we are on an outing. We started with a book, have done crafts met off-site for coffee and other treats, and have walked the trail at Celery Flats. We also strive to provide service to the church and the community. We would love to have you join us as we learn and demonstrate God's grace in our lives. Contact Cindy Weill for more information at [cindyweill@yahoo.com](mailto:cindyweill@yahoo.com).

## Sisters in Spirit

*Wednesdays 10:00am*

This is a small women's book group that meets every Wednesday at 10:00am to 11:30am at Jean Christie's home in Portage. We spend the first half hour together discussing current topics and personal interests or events. The final hour we concentrate on the book discussion. Our books are generally about faith issues, women's issues or cultural/social issues or conflicts. If you are interested in joining or need more information, call Jean Christie at 327-2313.

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## Wednesday Discussion

*Wednesdays 6:00pm*

A time to connect and talk with others about faith and life using video as a jumping off point. No prep needed to participate, just drop in to the conference room! Contact Mandy Bates with questions at [mandybates14@gmail.com](mailto:mandybates14@gmail.com).

## PCHUM Mission Quilters

*Thursdays 6:30pm*

The Mission Quilters were organized 16 years ago to create and distribute quilts to organizations in the area. Last year our quilts were donated to The Free Store and YWCA Women's Shelter. No experience is necessary. If you can thread a needle or tie a knot, and like lively conversation and chocolate, join our fellowship in Room 108 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm every Thursday. Mission Quilters also enjoy two weekend retreats a year. Please contact Gayle Franklin at 269-217-6866 or email [pgfrankl@ameritech.net](mailto:pgfrankl@ameritech.net) in get involved.

## Thursday Nights

*Thursdays 6:30pm*

We're open to suggestions and new members are always welcome. We've done book studies, watched videos, listened to podcasts and encouraged each other on our faith journeys. This group often meets in Pastor Barry's office. Contact Dawn Kemp at [dkemp@kvcc.edu](mailto:dkemp@kvcc.edu) to learn more.

## Camera Club

*Thursdays 6:30pm*

This group focuses on learning more about photography and its many elements. Regardless of make and model of camera, whether it is film or digital, SLR, compact camera, smartphone with a camera app or just the desire to learn more about photography, there is a place for you! Contact Matt Kerr at [mjmmkerr@gmail.com](mailto:mjmmkerr@gmail.com).



**Fermenting Faith...**  
 converting chatter and carbs into community

Fermenting Faith is an informal gathering each Tuesday at 6:30pm at Lodo Company, 153 W. Centre Ave. in Portage. Each week will offer an opportunity to eat and drink (soft drinks are provided at no cost), and to gather around the pub tables to discuss matters of concern to all of us as human beings. Questions about God, the world, work, family...you name it. This is a very casual way for those connected to Chapel Hill and those in the community to talk in good spirit about things that matter. Pastor Barry will help get the conversations going, but themes will be picked by those in attendance. This is a great opportunity to invite friends, enemies, neighbors, and co-workers to share a beverage and conversation.

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# Faces on Staff



**Tonya Boot**  
 Director of Discipleship

Hello and welcome to the Fall! I am excited to help connect you more deeply on this journey of faith we share. I have come to find Chapel Hill to be a place that gives me joy and a place I call home. My hope is that I can assist you in finding ways to connect with the ministries of Chapel Hill so that you find home here as well. If you are feeling new to Chapel Hill, welcome...I'm sort of feeling new, too! My position as Director of Discipleship is newly formed and I am just settling in. But I do have ideas for you, from tours of our space, to casual conversation about who we are as a church, to always being ready for a cup of coffee. I look forward to meeting you!



**Rebekah Gohl**  
 Organist

Hi, everyone! My name is Rebekah Gohl (Bekah), and I am very blessed and excited by the opportunity to serve as Organist at Chapel Hill. I grew up in Colorado Springs, CO, and I just finished my undergraduate studies at Augustana College in Rock Island, IL. I moved to Kalamazoo to pursue studies in Music Therapy at WMU. Music has been at the center of my life since I was young and I have enjoyed many years of learning piano and clarinet. Organ, however, is a more recent passion, and it has become quite an enjoyable pursuit for me. I hope to serve you all well in the name of the Lord, and I am looking forward to getting to know you!



**Bethany Helmuth**  
 Children's Ministry Intern

Hi there! Many of you know me already from my many years of attending Chapel Hill and growing up in this church. But now I'm very excited to be working at Chapel Hill as the Children's Ministry Intern, in partnership with the Wesley Foundation at Western Michigan University. I will be serving our kids as a teacher, helper, developer, and much more. I'm looking forward to meeting the kids of Chapel Hill!

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## Be A Part of Something



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).

## Ways to make an impact

Chapel Hill is involved in ministry in the greater community. Folks regularly participate in acts of mercy (direct help) and with voices for justice (advocacy leading to social change). Check out these opportunities. As always go to [pchum.org](http://pchum.org) for more information.

- Ministry with Community ~ Serving a monthly meal to the homeless
- Romence Road Food Pantry ~ Serving folks who need food
- Parkwood Upjohn Elementary ~ Tutoring kids in basic skills
- Bethany Christian Services ~ Migrant child assistance
- YWCA ~ Volunteers needed in many areas
- ISAAC ~ A faith based group involved in social justice in the Kalamazoo area.
- Meals on Wheels ~ Delivering meals to homebound residents
- Community Garden ~ Gardeners plant vegetables in a community space and donate 1/3 of them to the food pantry.