



CHAPEL HILL



ASSISTANT PASTOR FOR STUDENT
MINISTRIES



Meet Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church

Our name describes us well. The EPC is both evangelical and Presbyterian. We are evangelical in our zeal for the gospel, as well as evangelism, missions, and living obediently as followers of Jesus. At the same time, we are rooted deeply in the Protestant Reformation and especially the theological and pastoral work of John Calvin. We embrace the Westminster Confession of Faith as our doctrinal standard, and the rule of spiritually mature elders linked together regionally as the best way to guide local congregations.

When the EPC started in 1981, we determined that we would not disagree on the basic essentials of the Christian faith, but on anything that was not essential, we would give each other liberty. Above all, we committed ourselves to loving each other and not engaging in quarrels and strife. The result is that when we get together in our regional and national meetings, we spend most of our time in worship and fellowship and almost none in arguing with each other.

We are a thriving family of believers committed to reaching and loving our community for Christ. As Christians who believe we have been called to be disciples as we disciple others, we worship, serve, connect, and seek fresh ways to reach others with the gospel. We also love to have a little fun and just do life together! Our biggest desire is to grow in deep, meaningful faith as we go about our professional, social, and family lives. And we're so excited for you to join us on that journey!

Mission, Vision, Values, and Beliefs

Mission

It's God's mission, and Chapel Hill plays a part in it. We believe we are called to exalt Jesus, elevate others, and launch disciple-makers.

Vision

We want to: CARE for our community with mercy and compassion; SHARE the gospel so that the others would discover new life in Jesus; and PREPARE and mobilize the next generation to live a victorious life on mission for Jesus.

DNA

These are the distinctive values or qualities that define us as a Christian community. If any of these things were missing, we wouldn't be Chapel Hill. We believe there are nine pieces of Chapel Hill's DNA, split into three groups: head, heart, and hands. What we believe, how we behave, and what we do.

Head | We are...

- Reformed – We preach from a Reformed perspective - biblical, evangelical, and prophetic.
- Spirit-filled – We invite the presence of the Holy Spirit.
- Egalitarian – We ordain both men and women into leadership.

Heart | We embrace...

- Humility – We seek to elevate others over self.
- Courage – Like David facing Goliath, we do not shrink from challenges, but run towards the giant.

- Accountability – We are responsible to God and one another.

Hands

- We serve our neighbors – We love our community and seek its welfare.
- We honor our legacy – We remember and celebrate our rich heritage.
- We mobilize our next generation – Young people are not the future of the Church; they are the Church now.

Beliefs

All Scripture is self-attesting and being Truth, requires our unreserved submission in all areas of life. The infallible Word of God, the 66 books of the Old and New Testaments, is a complete and unified witness to God's redemptive acts culminating in the incarnation of the Living Word, the Lord Jesus Christ. The Bible, uniquely and fully inspired by the Holy Spirit, is the supreme and final authority on all matters on which it speaks. On this sure foundation we affirm these Essentials:

We believe in one God, the sovereign Creator and Sustainer of all things, infinitely perfect and eternally existing in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. To Him be all honor, glory and praise forever!

Jesus Christ, the living Word, became flesh through His miraculous conception by the Holy Spirit and His virgin birth. He who is true God became true man united in one Person forever. He died on the cross a sacrifice for our sins according to the Scriptures. On the third day He arose bodily from the dead, ascended into heaven, where, at the right hand of the Majesty on High, He now is our High Priest and Mediator.

The Holy Spirit has come to glorify Christ and to apply the saving work of Christ to our hearts. He convicts us of sin and draws us to the Savior. Indwelling our hearts, He gives new life to us, empowers and imparts gifts to us for service. He instructs and guides us into all truth, and seals us for the day of redemption.

Being estranged from God and condemned by our sinfulness, our salvation is wholly dependent upon the work of God's free grace. God credits His righteousness to those who put their faith in Christ alone for their salvation, thereby justifies them in His sight. Only such as are born of the Holy Spirit and receive Jesus Christ become children of God and heirs of eternal life.

The true Church is composed of all persons who through saving faith in Jesus Christ and the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit are united together in the body of Christ. The Church finds her visible, yet imperfect, expression in local congregations where the Word of God is preached in its purity and the sacraments are administered in their integrity; where scriptural discipline is practiced, and where loving fellowship is maintained. For her perfecting, she awaits the return of her Lord.

Jesus Christ will come again to the earth—personally, visibly, and bodily—to judge the living and the dead, and to consummate history and the eternal plan of God. “Even so, come, Lord Jesus” (Revelation 22:20).

The Lord Jesus Christ commands all believers to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world and to make disciples of all nations. Obedience to the Great Commission requires total commitment to “Him who loved us and gave Himself for us.” He calls us to a life of self-denying love and service. “For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them” (Ephesians 2:10).

These Essentials are set forth in greater detail in the Westminster Confession of Faith.

Ministry Programming

- Life Groups – LifeGroups are the heart of how we grow together and support one another. From high school through retirement, we hope everyone connects with a small group.

- Cornerstones – Seniors 55 and older, we invite you to spend time with friends and make new ones at Cornerstones. Here you can come together once a month to enjoy a delicious meal and entertainment. Many who attend feel this is one of the most important and valuable connection points in the church.
- High School – We are dedicated to discipling and serving high school students in Gig Harbor and the surrounding South Sound communities. Our staff and adult volunteer leaders invest in high school students by mentoring them as they move toward adulthood and encounter what God has for them.
- Middle School – Our weekly program meets throughout the academic year on Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8 PM. The evenings include games, student-led worship, a Bible based message, and then wraps up with students joining their small groups to continue to form meaningful connections with their peers and adult leaders. They are encouraged to share and discuss weekly questions in a safe environment.
- Elementary Kids – Chapel Hill Kids' Ministry is all about helping families with kids between Kindergarten and 5th grade worship and grow together! We're here to inspire, equip and support you as you raise your children. Our goal is to help you in your role as the primary faith builders of your children.
 - Kid's Place – Kid's Place is on Wednesday nights during the school year where we offer a place for K-5th graders to go deeper in their own faith journey.
- Preschool – Chapel Hill Preschool in Gig Harbor has been teaching and loving children since 1999. Our program is a Christ-centered learning experience for children ages two through five. Our experienced, professional teachers love guiding children through play-based learning. Your child will learn to love Jesus while developing the social and academic skills needed to successfully move on to kindergarten, all while having lots of fun!

- Prayer – Chapel Hill Church is committed to praying for the needs of one another, the community, and the world. The Westminster Larger Catechism says “prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, in the name of Christ, by the help of his Spirit; with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.”
- Alpha – Alpha is a place to ask questions and explore faith. No commitment. No pressure. It’s a 10-week (give or take) series that includes food, a video, and conversation.
- Local Outreach – Jesus invites us to feed the hungry, offer drink to the thirsty, provide for those who need clothing, welcome the stranger, and visit the sick and imprisoned (Matthew 25). That’s why Chapel Hill comes alongside ministries that are meeting these needs and transforming lives every day. We desire to see our neighbors connect to a Christ-centered community that instills dignity and empowers them to thrive. We serve alongside the following strategic local partners:
 - Tacoma Rescue Mission
 - FISH Food Bank
 - Northwest Furniture Bank
 - The Coffee Oasis
 - World Relief Western Washington
- Global Outreach – Jesus invites all of us to a radical love for the world—to love one another as he has loved us (John 13:34). That’s why Chapel Hill champions those who serve in places of great need. We come alongside them with both friendship and financial support. Together, we are the church putting our faith into action wherever we are. Through us, the world will know that Jesus makes all things new. We serve alongside the following strategic global partners:
 - Agua Viva

- World Relief Haiti
- Cambodian Hope Organization
- Thai Christian Foundation
- Counseling & Support – We know there are times when you just need someone to talk to—someone you can trust to help sort out the puzzle of life. Our Care Ministry offers a wide range of programs and services to help when life gets hard:
 - Lay Counseling for Individuals and Married Couples
 - Pre-Marriage Mentoring
 - Support Groups
 - Financial Support
 - Celebrate Recovery
- Early Childhood – At our Chapel Hill early childhood programs we partner with you, the parent, to lead your child to Jesus. Your young child is a valuable and valid believer right now. In a joyful way Chapel Hill offers prayerful compassionate baby care in our nursery and vibrant hands-on Bible learning experiences in our Preschool Sunday School. Join us for an immersive experience where your child will know Jesus and feel treasured by him.
- MOPS – Here at MOPS, we gather and support moms. We believe in the simple but revolutionary idea that remarkable things happen when moms come together. Our acronym stands for “Mothers of Preschoolers” because we began in 1973 when a group of moms with young children banded together to share their lives and parenting journeys.

Weekend Programming

Sunday 9:00 am (Classic)

Sunday 10:30 am (Modern)

What it's like to live in Gig Harbor, WA

Gig Harbor is an idyllic community in the Puget Sound, attractive to young families, empty nesters and retirees. It has seen tremendous growth over the last 50 years, but especially in the last 10 years. It has all the amenities you would want in the town itself, meaning that you need never leave. However, it is located halfway between two national parks (Olympic and Mt Rainier) and only 1-hour from the city of Seattle, providing great opportunities to explore the outdoors and to experience the culture of a large metropolitan city. The schools in Gig Harbor are highly rated, and there are many activities for children to enjoy. Its waterfront location is picturesque and provides the chance to have water-based hobbies right on your doorstep.

About the Assistant Pastor of Student Ministries

The Assistant Pastor of Student Ministries prepares and mobilizes middle and high school students to live a life on mission for Christ.

Reporting Relationships

Reports to: Sr. Director of Family Ministries

Supervises: Director of High School & Young Adults, Student Ministry Interns, Student Ministries Administrative Assistant

Relates to: The Session of CHPC, The Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest

Responsibilities

- Lead the Student Ministries team to fulfill Chapel Hill's strategic end of preparing and mobilizing the next generation to live a life on mission for Christ, by:
 - Training our students to live on mission and hosting multiple annual events that empower, equip and release our students to share the gospel.
 - Taking every student through a program that develops a biblical worldview and enables their faith to endure post high-school.
- Equip, inspire and support the Director of High School & Young Adults, Student Ministry Interns, and Student Ministries Administrative Assistant in their respective roles.
- Recruit, train and motivate adult volunteers for leadership in Student Ministries.
- Lead the weekly Middle School Ministry gathering.
- Lead a team that will plan, coordinate and lead camps, retreats, conferences and mission trips.
- Work with the Student Ministries Administrative Assistant to ensure ministry information is up to date and adequately communicated.
- Communicate with students and parents on a regular basis to develop relationships.
- Manage the Student Ministries budget.

- Provide the pastoral duties of a Teaching Elder in the EPC, including attending Presbytery and GA meetings, attending Session meetings on a rotational basis, assisting in worship, visitation and counseling, and, when requested by the Senior Pastor, preaching in worship services.
- Attend monthly staff Leadership Team meetings.
- Respond to electronic communications in a timely and sensitive manner.
- Other duties as assigned

What You Bring

Education & Experience

- 5+ years experience working with children, youth, parents and young adults in ministry
- EPC ordained or ordainable
- MDiv or equivalent

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Ability to lead, train & equip directors, staff and volunteers
- Ability to teach/preach, plan events, and relate to others in groups and one-on-one
- Administrative skills for managing email, appointments, planning events, and multi-tasking
- Organizing, prioritizing and planning skills
- Ability to plan for the future, measure and evaluate for results
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills with students and adults

- Flexibility in work hours based on special events

Personal Characteristics

- Growing relationship with Christ through study and accountability
- Life models love for Jesus Christ and the Church
- Committed to Reformed theology; supportive of the EPC
- Embraces the mission and vision of Chapel Hill Church and agrees with EPC Essentials of the Faith (see epc.org/about/beliefs)
- Understands ministry as a team and works well with others
- Self-motivated, teachable, a great problem solver, and has a positive overall attitude



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