

"A Lighthouse Guiding People to Christ"



Chaires Methodist Church

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PRELUDE / COUNTDOWN WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor WELCOMING OF GUESTS Pastor PASSING THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP / CONGREGATIONAL Liturgist

PRAYFR

(Based on Acts 4)

God of the resurrection, we gather this morning as a community of believers. We come with joy to greet one another and to tell again and again the amazing news: Christ is risen! Love is victorious over death! You have given us new life in the name of your Son! May our singing, praying, listening, and proclaiming be a testimony to the power of your love to make us a new creation as a community of faith. We pray in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE UMH #110

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (v. 1-4)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed)

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; He descended into hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

*GLORIA PATRI See screen

TESTAMENT READING: (Deuteronomy 6:4-5 NKJV) Liturgist

4 " Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one! ⁵ "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

*Please stand as you are able

CHILDREN'S SERMON Pastor CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Hear O Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord is one. And as for you, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. Amen

NEW TESTAMENT READING (2 Timothy 1:12-14 NKJV) Liturgist

For this reason, I also suffer these things; nevertheless, I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day. ¹³ Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ That good thing, which was committed to you, is kept by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us.

MISSION MOMENT

PRESENTATION OF PRAYERS AND PRAISE Pastor PASTORAL PRAYER Pastor

*HYMN OF PREPARATION UMH #402 Lord I Want to Be a Christian (v. 1-4)

SERMON ANTHEM Choir I Believe (Frankie Lane)

SERMON

Pastor

Title: This I Believe

Theme: Apostles' Creed

Main Idea: The Apostles' Creed enables us to articulate our faith in Christ.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND SACRIFICES (Celebrating our Gifts) OFFERTRORY PRAYER

Living God, let the resurrection of your Son transform our lives. Make us bold in serving you and bringing your good news to other people. Help us to share of ourselves and our possessions with one another and especially with people in need. Amen.

PASSING THE PLATE

*DOXOLOGY *All* Praise God, From Whom

HOLY COMMUNION See insert

*HYMN OF CELEBRATION 4) UMH #504 The Old Rugged Cross (v. 1-

*COMMISION /

BENEDICTION

Pastor

As you go from here, may God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord give you grace, mercy, and peace. Do not let your faith or your witness grow cold. Remember: God's gift of faith is like a flame; when the embers of that flame have cooled, you must fan them again to keep them ablaze. So remember what you have been taught and what you have experienced. Live in such a way that all who know you may see the light of God reflected in you. And may the grace of God, the love of Jesus Christ, and the presence of the Holy Spirit be with you and among you in the days ahead. **Amen.**

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE Fellowship Love and

See screen

POSTLUDE



<u>Members</u> Marion Lollie and her husband, Sammie

Friends and Family

Amy Clark Jay Hipps (friend of Franklin & Frances Chaires) Dan Shaffer and Family (Tiffany Foote's brother-in-law) Pam (Lance Harrison's mother-in-law) Family of Karen Galloway (friend of Renee Grubb) Gary Adams (friend of Chaires Church) Brenda Gibbs (friend of Gerry Nielsen) Scott Davis (nephew of Edna Matthews) Linda (nurse in a doctor's office) Lisa Rigsby (friend of Diane Matthews) **Praise for:** Diane Matthews - praise God for protection after she was hit by a car and spending

the afternoon in the ER - she is miraculously fine.