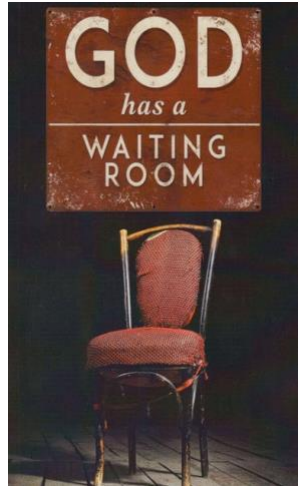




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Sitting in God's Waiting Room

There's a gap between when God makes a promise and when we see it fulfilled. That space is what I call "*the waiting place*." Abraham waited 25 years for a son. Joseph waited 13 years for his dream to come true. David waited 15 years to become king. Even Jesus said He was coming back "soon," and we're still waiting.



Waiting is hard — not because we doubt the promise, but because we don't know how long it will take. That's where faith is tested. So how do we wait well?

1. The Waiting Place Is Where the Battle Is Fought

It's easy to pray. The hard part is holding onto faith when nothing seems to be changing. This is where hope and fear wrestle. Keep fighting to believe — because breakthrough only comes *after* the waiting.

2. Waiting Is Active, Not Passive

Biblical waiting means *expecting* and *preparing*. It's applying for the job, getting the loan pre-approved, or starting the ministry — even before results show. Jesus said, "*Keep on asking, keep on seeking, keep on knocking*" (Matthew 7:7). Waiting is not sitting still — it's moving in faith.

3. God Cannot Lie

When doubts creep in, remember this truth: "*It is impossible for God to lie*" (Hebrews 6:18). If He promised it, He *will* do it. The enemy wants you to question God's Word, just like in the Garden of Eden. Resist the lie. Trust the truth.

4. God's Promises Anchor You

"*This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls*" (Hebrews 6:19). Storms may come, but when you're anchored in God's promises, you won't drift. Find a promise, cling to it, and let it hold you steady while you wait.

5. The Promise Leads to His Presence

The waiting place is meant to draw you closer to God. His presence is where fear fades and hope is restored. When you spend time with Him, your burdens get lighter, and your soul gets stronger. You don't just wait *for* God — you wait *with* God.



Watermelon Ministry

We will be serving up some cold, sliced watermelon for the Lincoln High School marching band on **Sept. 20 @11 a.m. at Gene Cox Stadium**. This particular rehearsal is used as an all-day fund-raiser for the band. So, the students will be more than ready for some refreshments. If you would like to help, please sign up at the information table if you want to join us!



**NO KID SLEEPS
ON THE FLOOR
IN OUR TOWN!**

Child bedlessness is a national problem, and as a national nonprofit with chapters spread across the country, SHP has provided the solution. SHP is a volunteer organization that builds beds for kids who are sleeping on the floor and there are multiple ways to get involved. You can check out their Big Bend Chapter website at: <https://shpbeds.org/chapter/fl-tallahassee/>.

Our church will be participating in an Open Build on **September 13th at Lowes Home Improvement located at 5500 Commonwealth Blvd from 8:45 am to 12:00 pm**. If you want to participate, please sign up at the following website: <https://volunteer.shpbeds.org/timeslots/qIf85uNePP>.

Choir Rehearsal



Vacation time is over...school has started back up and so has our choir. We will be having our first choir rehearsal on **August 20th (Wednesday) at 6:30 p.m.** in the multi-purpose building. The choir will be back to helping lead the congregation in singing on the first Sunday of **September 7th**.

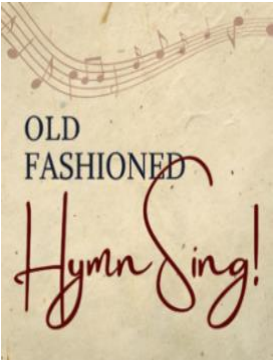
Pastor Visit

If you would like a visit from our pastor, please do not hesitate to call either Susan Capelouto (Administrative Assistant) or Rev. Kerry Foote so that a visit can be arranged.



Residing Hope: Children's Home

Don't forget that this is a 5 Sunday month, so we will be taking up a special offering on the 5th Sunday for Residing Hope Children's Home.



Looking for Testimonies

Listed below are the Scriptures, Titles, and Themes for the month



of August. If you have a personal testimony that you would like to share that you believe ties into the sermon, let me know.

– Rev. Kerry Foote

Date: September 7, 2025 Title: Your Work Matters Theme: The sanctity of the workplace. Main Idea: When life starts to feel a little monotonous, we could all use a reminder that our work, no matter how mundane, matters to God. Old Testament: Proverbs 16:3 New Testament: Col 3:23-24	Date: September 14, 2025 Title: Living Traditions Theme: Tradition, Scripture, the Holy Spirit and Christ. Main Idea: Traditions can be powerful tools for spiritual growth when they point us to God, but they must never replace or overshadow the true source of our faith. New Testament: 2 Tim 3:16-17 New Testament: Mark 7:8-9
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Please be sure to mark your calendars for Pete Peters’ Celebration of Life on September 27th ...stay tuned for time.



Beginning this October, Will Graham will share the Good News of Jesus Christ through a four-city tour in Florida. This evangelistic outreach depends on believers like you, and they want to join you and Chaires Methodist Church in proclaiming the Gospel message. Will you pray for the upcoming Sunshine State Good News Tour?

Date: October 26, 2025

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Tallahassee Automobile Museum

Old Fashion Hymn Sing

Date: September 21, 2025

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Waukeenah Methodist

We will be singing with 3 other churches: Lloyd Baptist, Wacissa Pentecostal Holiness, and Waukeenah Methodist.

Christian Life and Witness Course

“Always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you.”
—1 Peter 3:15, NKJV

Leading up to the Good News Tour this fall, the Billy Graham Ministry will be providing practical training that will equip Christians to live out their faith and share it with others.

- Immanuel Baptist Church
 - Sept 8 @ 6:00 p.m. (Session 1)
 - Sept 9 @ 6:00 p.m. (Session 2)
- Killearn Methodist Church
 - Sept 11 @ 6:00 p.m. (Session 1)
 - Sept 13 @ 9:00 a.m. (Session 2)
- Thomasville Road Baptist Church
 - Oct 6 @ 6:00 p.m. (Session 1)
 - Oct 7 @ 6:00 p.m. (Session 2)

(On this particular date we are looking to attend as a group from Chaires Methodist and our pastor will be attending this place and time)

For more information, check out the website below-
<https://billygraham.org/events/sunshine-state/clwc>

What is Back to Church Sunday?

Date: September 21, 2025

National Back to Church Sunday started in 2009 with a simple but bold idea: What if churches made a special effort to invite people back to church on one Sunday of the year? This day was set aside for churches to rally together after summer break, welcome their communities through their doors, and remind people that hope is found in Jesus and in the Church community.

According to experts, 82% of people say they’d attend church if a friend simply invited them, but only 2% of churchgoers ever do. Back to Church Sunday aims to close that gap. Each year, those churches who participate often see a 25–27% increase in attendance on that Sunday alone!

Because of Back to Church Sunday...our monthly potluck at the church will be moved from September 7th to September 21st.

Find us on Facebook



We don’t know if you have heard...but we are now going live with our Sunday morning service on Facebook. If you cannot make the service in person, you can join our Facebook family. Give us a like and follow us on Facebook to get up to date information about upcoming events and you can access live sermons on Sunday or access our archive.

<https://www.facebook.com/p/Chaires-Methodist-Church-61561720372576/>

Sept. Birthdays

Davies, Rick 2
Tiffany Foote 2
Leggett, Ashley 13
Peters, Edie 13
Fletcher, Martha 14
Stallings, Amber 26
Hatcher, Mike 28

Sept. Anniversaries

Gordon & Lucia Lightfoot 13

