



ROOTED IN THE PAST • GROWING FOR THE FUTURE

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Have you ever felt like you're simply going through the motions, as if life is just passing you by? Does it seem like you're stuck in a rut and missing a sense of direction or excitement?

If so, this could be the perfect moment for renewal. God continually works in new and amazing ways, and He is inviting you to rediscover your purpose, reignite your spirit, and deepen your connections—with Him and with one another.

We invite you to join us over the next four weeks for our *Renewed* sermon series, where together we'll open our hearts to God's work and embrace the fresh possibilities He offers each of us. **This series will run from January 8 through February 1, so mark your calendars and plan to be a part of each inspiring message.**

Throughout these four weeks, you'll learn practical ways to overcome spiritual stagnation, build lasting relationships within our church family, and find renewed motivation for daily living. Each message is designed to help you experience a more vibrant walk with God, discover meaningful purpose, and grow in connection with those around you.

Each sermon is thoughtfully crafted to meet the unique needs of our congregation, and all accompanying media has been professionally produced to make every service both meaningful and visually engaging.

Our hope is that, through this series, you and your loved ones will discover a more vibrant and fruitful faith experience. Don't miss this opportunity for spiritual growth and community renewal—be sure to join us and bring someone along!

Take a moment right now to reach out to someone who might benefit from this journey—send them a message or give them a call and invite them to join you next Sunday.

Together, let's step into this season of renewal and transformation, and experience all that God has in store for us.

In Christ,  
Pastor Kerry

## 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.



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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.

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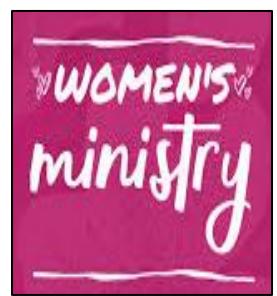
## Women's Ministry

**Date:** January 10, 2026

**Time:** 10:00 – 12:00 p.m.

**Place:** Multi-Purpose Building

**Activity:** The Women's Ministry will be planning activities and setting dates and times for the remainder of the year.



The session will begin with a devotion based on our new sermon series: ReNEWed – Daily Practices For a Fresh Life.

## Chaires Valentine Dinner

You and your loved ones are warmly invited to our beloved annual Valentine's Day Dinner Extravaganza, hosted especially for the family and friends of Chaires Methodist Church, **on Feb. 7, 2026.**



This special evening will be catered by Seineyard, and as always, you can look forward to fantastic games and exciting door prizes for everyone. We encourage you to join the fun and fellowship—keep an eye out, as a sign-up sheet will be posted soon so you can reserve your spot!



## Members

Theresa Hatcher / Marty Holland / Marion and Sammie Lollie /Bob Corson / Kerry Foote

## Friends and Family

Janice (Donna Wheeler) / My sisters and caregiver (Marty Holland) / Runaway dog (Unknown) / Keith Walker (Dale Thompson) / Richard Snow (Dale Thompson) / Mandy Meuth (Rick and Paula Davies) /Richard Meuth (Rick and Paula Davies) / Candace (Unknown) / Glenda Anderson (Renee Grubb) /

## Hospitality Team Meeting 2026

**Date :** January 7, 2026

**Time :** 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

**Place :** Chaires Multi-purpose building

This will be the first Hospitality Team meeting and a time of brainstorming and setting up practices and policies to ensure that the Hospitality Team will see success for 2026.

**This event will be catered with Publix sandwiches.**  
Enjoy a delicious meal as you share your ideas!

The Hospitality Team ensures a **warm, inclusive welcome** for everyone at church, serving as the "first impressions" team. Key duties include greeting guests, providing directions, coordinating hospitality at events, following up with visitors, keeping common areas welcoming, supporting members in times of need, and managing supplies. Their work turns newcomers into engaged members and strengthens our church community.

**We invite everyone to join us for this important first meeting of the Hospitality Team!** Your ideas, enthusiasm, and participation are truly needed—this ministry is essential for creating a welcoming environment and building lasting connections within our congregation. Whether you're a longtime member or new to the church, your input can help shape the future of our Hospitality Team and ensure its success in 2026.

Please consider giving your time and sharing your thoughts so we can make every guest feel at home and every event memorable. Let's work together to make our church a place where everyone belongs!



### January Birthdays

Chaires, Frances 17  
Lombardi, Jean 23  
Grubb, Renee 24  
Grubb, Dylan 29  
Hall, Maggie 30

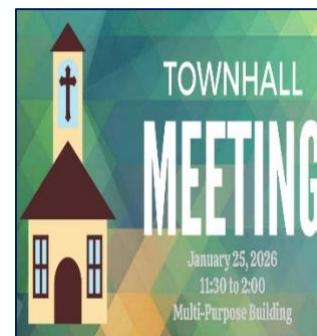
### January Anniversary

Mike & Terry Hatcher 1  
Jon & Dot Berry 4  
Sammy & Marion Lollie 23  
Jean & Michael Lombardi 29

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## Church Council Town Hall Meeting

As your pastor, I want to personally challenge each one of you to join us for our upcoming Church Council Town Hall meeting on **January 25, 2026, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**



This will be a special time to celebrate everything God has done in and through our church—and to look forward with hope and excitement at what He has in store for us in 2026. Whether you are a member or not, your presence matters.

Let's come together as a church family: to reflect, give thanks, dream, and pray for God's continued guidance. I hope to see every one of you there!

*Lunch will be provided.*

## Chaires 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Chili Cookoff

Get ready to spice things up! Chaires Methodist Church invites you to our Second Annual Chili Cookoff on **January 5, 2026**, taking the place of our regular monthly potluck. Everyone is welcome to participate—whether you want to compete, bring a side dish, or just come to taste and vote.

There are three exciting categories to enter: best tasting chili, most unique (non-beef) meat, and the hottest chili. The whole congregation will serve as judges, so bring your appetite and your discerning palate!



We're also looking for volunteers to bring side dishes that pair well with chili. The cookoff will take place in the Multi-Purpose Building and will begin right after our Sunday morning worship, which will also be held in the historic sanctuary. Don't miss this fun opportunity for fellowship, food, and a little friendly competition. See you there!

**February 17<sup>th</sup>:** Mardi Gras Fat Tuesday Celebration

**February 18<sup>th</sup>:** Ash Wednesday Service

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Maundy Thursday *The Chosen* Viewing

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Good Friday Service

**April 4<sup>th</sup>:** Holy Saturday Prayer Vigil

**April 5<sup>th</sup>:** Easter Sunrise Service



In mid-February, we will start up our Movies Under the Oaks series, and we will be watching all episodes from season 5 of the Chosen. Stay tuned for dates and times