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Renewed in Mercy: Walking the Redemption Road

Church Family,

We are standing at a turning point in the season of Lent. Palm Sunday is just ahead. The cross is coming into view. Resurrection is on the horizon. And right now, we find ourselves on what we might call Redemption Road—the road that leads us through the cross, into new life, and then sends us back out into the world.

The message of this season is both simple and challenging: God brings life out of death—not just someday, but right here and right now.

Psalm 130 reminds us that this journey often begins in the depths. Faith does not start with everything put together; it starts with honesty. “Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.” Yet the psalm does not stay there. It moves from despair to hope, teaching us to wait with expectation—like watchmen waiting for the morning.

From there, we are led into Ezekiel’s valley of dry bones—a powerful reminder that God does not avoid lifeless places. Instead, God works within them. What feels beyond repair, too far gone, or completely empty is precisely where God speaks life. The same is true in our lives. God invites us to trust, even when we cannot yet see how restoration is possible.

Then we encounter Jesus at the tomb of Lazarus. Before anything else happens, Jesus weeps. He meets us in our grief and pain. But He does not leave us there. He calls for the stone to be moved and speaks life where death once ruled.

That raises an important question for each of us: What stones need to be moved? Fear, bitterness, comfort, old wounds—these can stand in the way of the life God is trying to bring forth. Sometimes, the miracle is waiting on our willingness to act in faith.

Finally, Romans 8 reminds us that this is not something we do alone. The same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead is at work within us, leading us into life and peace. We are not called to settle for what is broken—we are called to live by the Spirit and participate in God’s renewing work.

So, this week, I invite you to reflect: Where do you need hope? What “stone” is God asking you to move? And where might God be calling you to speak life?

Redemption Road does not end at Easter morning. It continues into our relationships, our community, and our daily lives. As we walk this road together, may we become people who carry hope into hard places, trusting that even now—life is rising.

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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Outdoor Movie Night: Under the Oaks



Join us for a delightful outdoor movie screening on our impressive 16-foot screen, set beneath the beautiful oak trees. This special evening offers a unique opportunity to enjoy a film together in a scenic, natural setting.

Please remember to bring your own chairs for comfortable seating. To enhance your experience, we will provide refreshments and set up fire pits, ensuring everyone stays cozy and warm throughout the event. We look forward to sharing this enjoyable night with you!

March 27th (8:15 to 9:30) Episode 7

April 2nd (8:30 to 9:45) Episode 8



Church Members

Lynn Fannin / Mike and Carol Stallard / Church Choir / Diane and David Matthews / Marty Holland / Rick and Paula Davies / Nancy Hardison / Amy Clark

Friends and Family

Scott Sullivan (Maggie Hall) / Pat Powers (Mary Alice Linzy) / Nasir (Unknown) / Situation in Middle East (Diane Matthews) / Brenda Gant (Mike and Terry Hatcher) / Beulah Homes (Mary Alice Linzy) / Meagan Walker (Diane Matthews) / Aaron Davis (Diane Matthews)



Seder Meal: Messiah in the Passover

Date: March 22, 2026

Time: 5:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Place: Chaires Methodist

Multi-Purpose Building

Cost: Free

Sign-up Required on back table



Messiah in the Passover: The Seder Experience

Experience a traditional Passover Seder as our speaker explains the meaning behind each element, highlighting how these symbols connect to the Last Supper and the redemptive significance of the crucifixion.

5th Sunday Offering



On April 29th, we invite you to join us for the 5th Sunday offering—a heartfelt opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of children at Residing Hope, our Methodist Children’s Home. While giving is always a personal choice, we lovingly encourage you to consider how your generosity can help shape a brighter future for those in need.

Special offering envelopes will be available in the bulletin that Sunday, so please take this chance to support a ministry that truly matters. Together, let’s rise to the challenge of caring deeply and giving boldly.

Maundy Thursday Service

Date: April 2, 2026

Time: (8:30 to 9:45 pm)

Place: Outdoor

Under the Oaks at Chaires Methodist



This Maundy Thursday, join us outside under the oaks for a screening of *The Chosen*, Season 5, Episode 8 ("The Last Supper").

We’ll reflect on the Last Supper’s meaning and enjoy an evening of fellowship in a beautiful setting. Bring a blanket or chair for this unique community gathering.

Good Friday Service

Date: April 3, 2026

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Historic Sanctuary



Join us for our Good Friday Service as we gather in the historic sanctuary on April 3, 2026, at 7:00 pm. This meaningful service will revisit the events of Jesus Christ's betrayal and crucifixion, offering a time of reflection and reverence during Holy Week.

Following the service, we invite volunteers to help blacken the sanctuary in preparation for the Black Saturday prayer vigil. Your participation will help create a sacred atmosphere as we continue our journey toward Easter morning.

Black / Holy Saturday Prayer Vigil- April 4th (9:00 am – 9:00 pm)

Historic Sanctuary

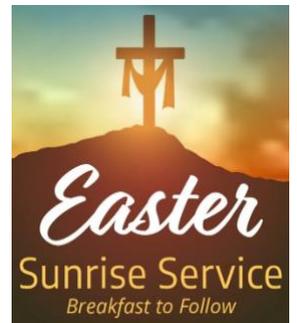
We will be hosting 12 hours of prayer in the historic sanctuary and will be asking members of the congregation to sign up for 30-minute time slots. *This prayer vigil will be for personal reflection and the lifting up of our Easter service on April 5th for the movement of the spirit of God in a mighty way.*

Easter Sunrise Service

Date: April 5, 2026

Time: 7:00 a.m.

Place: Petrandis Home



All congregation members are invited to our Easter Sunrise Service at the Petrandis Home on Sunday, April 5, 2026, at 7:00 a.m.

Join us for worship and breakfast after the service. If you'd like to bring a dish, please sign up in the multi-purpose building. We hope to see you there as we celebrate Easter together.

Resurrection Cross / Flowering the Cross



On Easter Sunday, we celebrate by decorating a wooden cross with fresh flowers, symbolizing new life in Christ.

Please bring flowers to help decorate the cross and arrive **15–30 minutes before the 10:00 a.m. worship service** if you wish to help arrange them. Join us in creating a living sign of resurrection hope.

March Birthdays

Capelouto, Susan 3
Alley, Christy 14
Taylor, Jim 25
Novak, Milan 30

March Anniversaries

Rick & Paula Davies 11
Jerry & Janet Cayson 28