



Pastor Kerry Foote
Cell: (305) 407-7040
E-mail: pastor.foote@outlook.com
9243 Parkhill Road Tallahassee, FL 32317
Church Phone: (850) 219-9361
Web site: chairesmethodist.church
Office hours: Tues. & Thurs. 10 AM-2PM

Do You Want to Get Well?

This Sunday, we continue our sermon series, *The Questions Jesus Asked*, by sitting with a question that may sound simple at first but becomes deeply personal the longer we hear it: “Do you want to get well?”

That question comes from Jesus’ encounter with a man who had been unable to walk for thirty-eight years. Jesus does not ignore him, rush past him, or reduce him to his condition. Jesus sees him. Then He asks a question that reaches beneath the surface.

Many of us know what it is like to need healing. Some hurts are easy to see. Others are tucked away behind smiles, busy schedules, polite answers, and the classic church hallway response: “I’m fine.” Sometimes “I’m fine” means we are actually fine. Other times it means, “I am holding it together with prayer, coffee, and duct tape.”

The good news is that Jesus is not fooled by the surface. He sees the whole person. He sees what is wounded, weary, stuck, afraid, ashamed, or worn down. And He does not look at us with condemnation. He looks at us with mercy.

But the healing Jesus offers is more than a quick fix. Jesus does not simply patch us up so we can limp through another week unchanged. He offers restoration. He offers freedom. He offers a new way to live.

That can be both comforting and challenging. Sometimes we want Jesus to change our circumstances without changing our hearts. We want peace without surrender, forgiveness without letting go, healing without honesty, and new life without leaving the old mat behind. Yet Jesus loves us too much to leave us trapped in the places that have kept us stuck.

In John 5, Jesus tells the man, “Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.” That was not just a miracle. It was an invitation to step into a new life. In Mark 5, Jesus also restores a woman who had suffered for twelve years. She reached out to Him in faith, and Jesus did more than heal her body. He restored her dignity, her peace, and her place in the community.

That is the kind of Savior we worship. Jesus sees the overlooked. Jesus welcomes the wounded. Jesus restores what sin, shame, sickness, grief, and disappointment have tried to steal.

And because we are His church, we are called to become a healing people. We should be the kind of church where the hurting do not feel they have to sneak through the crowd to reach Jesus. We should be the kind of church where people are welcomed, prayed for, encouraged, gently challenged, and lovingly pointed toward the One who makes us whole.

As we worship together today, may we hear Jesus’ question personally: “Do you want to get well?” Not as a question of shame, but as an invitation of grace.

May our answer be honest. May our faith be willing. May our church be welcoming. And may Christ continue making us whole.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Kerry

Pastor Visit

If you or someone you know is going through a difficult time, facing illness, feeling lonely, or simply in need of prayer and encouragement, please do not hesitate to reach out. Pastor Kerry would be glad to visit, pray with you, and offer support. To arrange a pastor visit, please contact Susan Capelouto (Administrative Assistant) or Rev. Kerry Foote.



Have you heard the good news? Chaires Methodist Church is now going live on Facebook every Sunday morning! We would love to see you in worship in person, but if you are traveling, homebound, under the weather, or simply unable to make it to church that week, you can still join us online and be part of our worshipping family.

Tune in for the Sunday message, sing along from home, share the service with a friend, and stay connected to what God is doing in our church community.

Please give our Facebook page a like and follow so you can receive updates about upcoming events, special announcements, live worship services, and sermon archives you can watch or share anytime. Whether you join us in the pew or online, there is a place for you at Chaires Methodist Church.

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





Volunteers are still needed to help lead worship. Singers are encouraged to meet in the choir room Sundays at 9:30 a.m. to review the hymns.



Church Members

Donna Corson / Frances Chaires / Franklin Chaires / Melissa / Casey Friel / Clark family / Ken Hatcher / Gordon Wheeler / Mary Alice Linzy / Diane and David Matthews

Friends and Family

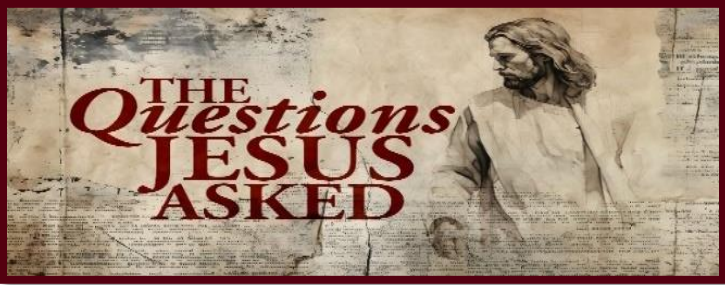
Ken Hatcher (Mike Hatcher) / Oliver and Alysa Novak (Sheila Novak) / George Stallings (Diane Matthews) / Kyler family (Unknown) / Raymond Turner (Maggie Hall) / Johnny Sadler (Teresa Hatcher)



MercyMe Live 2026 Concert Sign-Up



Join us for MercyMe Live 2026 with Jeremy Camp, Tim Timmons, and Sam Wesley on October 10, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at Donald L. Tucker Civic Center. Chaires Methodist Church is gathering names to reserve tickets together. Sign up at the back table of the multi-purpose building. Tickets are \$55.00 per person, and payment is due when tickets are delivered.



This July and August, we begin a new sermon series, **The Questions Jesus Asked**. Together, we will explore how Jesus’ questions open hearts, challenge assumptions, and still shape our faith today. Join us at **Chaires Methodist Church**—and invite a friend, neighbor, or family member to come with you.

Small Group Bible Study: The Questions Jesus Asked

Come be part of something meaningful this summer! You are invited to join our weekly Small Group Bible Study as we dig deeper into **The Questions Jesus Asked** and discover how His words still speak to our lives today.

The first meeting was July 9th, but it’s not too late to join! Choose which time works best for you.

Thursday Morning at 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School Room of the Multi-Purpose Building
Start the day with faith, fellowship, conversation, and a light breakfast.
Thursday Evening at 7:00 p.m.
At the church parsonage
Begin with a light dinner, compliments of Pastor Kerry Foote, then enjoy meaningful discussion in the living room.

Bring your Bible, bring your questions, and bring a friend. Whether you are new to Bible study or have been studying Scripture for years, there is a place for you as we listen together for Jesus’ voice in the questions He asks.

Renee Grubb is offering to attach a Chaires Methodist Church patch to a shirt or cap of your choice free. Make sure the item has been washed to prevent fading first. Thank you, Renee, for offering this special gift.

Administrative Council Meeting

The meeting is today from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This will be an important and encouraging time to hear updates from Annual Conference in Orlando, reflect on what we learned from our mid-year town hall evaluation, and help shape plans for the rest of the year.

Your voice, ideas, and presence matter as we look ahead together. Food and drinks will be provided.

July Birthdays	July Anniversaries
Holland, Marty 7	Gordon & Donna Wheeler 19
Cayson, Trey 8	Milan & Sheila Novak 24
Messer, Victoria 17	
Amanda Novak 17	
Dampier, Don 26	