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House to House: Making Room

“They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts.” —Acts 2:46

There is something powerful about being welcomed into another person’s home. When someone opens the door, offers us a seat, and invites us to share a meal, they are saying, “There is a place for you here.”

The earliest Christians understood the importance of making room for one another. Their faith did not remain inside the temple courts—it followed them home. They shared meals, prayed together, encouraged one another, and became a family in Christ.

We see the same spirit in 2 Kings 4. A woman from Shunem regularly welcomed the prophet Elisha into her home. Eventually, she and her husband prepared a small room for him. She did more than say hospitality was important—she made room.

These passages invite us to live out Sunday’s message in three ways.

Make Room for God

Jesus does not want to be merely one appointment on our calendar. Jesus desires to shape the way we live each day.

Spiritual growth usually comes through ordinary faithfulness: a morning prayer, a few minutes in Scripture, or a quiet moment of listening. Begin each day this week by asking: “Jesus, how can I follow You today?”

Make Room for One Person

Christian hospitality does not require a spotless house, matching dishes, or an impressive meal. It is not about impressing people; it is about helping people feel seen, valued, and welcome.

A restaurant table can become holy ground. A cup of coffee can begin a friendship. A telephone call can remind someone who is lonely that they have not been forgotten.

Before next Sunday, intentionally make room for one person. Invite someone to lunch, call someone you have not spoken with recently, or ask someone, “How are you really doing?” You do not have to welcome everyone at once. Begin with one person.

Make Room for God to Use You

The life of the early Christians became part of their witness. People noticed their generosity, joy, prayer, forgiveness, and sincere love.

Jesus alone saves, but God often uses ordinary acts of kindness to help people see the gospel. An invitation, a

telephone call, or time spent with someone who is grieving may seem small, but God can use it.

Pray this week: “Lord, let someone see a little more of Jesus because of the way I love today.”

We do not have to change the whole world in one week. We simply need to take one faithful step. Open one door. Pull up one chair. Make one call. Share one meal. Say one prayer. Welcome one person.

May God make us a church that does more than gather on Sunday—a people who make room for God, make room for one another, and always have room for one more.

God Bless and Keep You, 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.



COMING SOON...STAY TUNED!



Find us on
Facebook



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.

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5th Sunday Offering

Our **5th Sunday Offering** will support **Residing Hope**, formerly the Florida United Methodist Children's Home.



Residing Hope serves **children, young adults, and families** through Christ-centered care, including residential, foster, independent living, and counseling services.

Please prayerfully consider giving above your regular offering to help bring **hope, healing, and Christ's love** to those in need.



The flower calendar through October has been posted in the hallway near the nursery.



Church Members

Lance Harrison / Staff Parish Relation Committee in search of music director / Gail Dampier / Mary Alice Linzy

Friends and Family

Granddaughter (Unknown) / Terry West (Pat Alley) / Carol Boyd (Unknown) / Mandy's Birthday (Rick and Paula Davies) / Heather / Chaires) / Don Oxendine / Families on Big Island, HI impacted by hurricane (Diane Matthews)



September Birthdays

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

September Anniversaries

Gordon & Lucia Lightfoot 13



Alpha Begins September 10!

Alpha begins **Thursday, September 10, 2026**, offering a relaxed place to explore life, faith, and the Christian faith through food, fellowship, a short presentation, and honest conversation.

Two Thursday gatherings will be offered:

Morning Alpha — 9:00 a.m.

Church Sunday School Room; food and refreshments provided.

Evening Alpha — 6:30 p.m.

Pastor's House; food and refreshments provided.



Whether you are longtime follower, still exploring, or simply curious, **there is a place for you at Alpha**. Sign up at the back table in the Multi-Purpose Sanctuary.

This Small Group will use a video curriculum, and there are no student books available on the back table.

We also need **two host homes**; if you can help welcome others for conversation and fellowship, please speak with **Pastor Kerry Foote**.

Come hungry for food, fellowship, and meaningful conversation—bring your questions!

We look forward to starting together on **September 10!**

Safe Families for Children

Our church is exploring a partnership with **Safe Families for Children**, a faith-inspired ministry that helps keep children safe and supports parents during difficult



seasons. Safe Families is not foster care or adoption. Instead, families voluntarily receive support through temporary hosting, meals, transportation, donations, encouragement, mentoring, and prayer.

Galatians 6:2 reminds us to “bear one another's burdens,” and this ministry offers a practical way for churches to come alongside families in our own community.

Members of our congregation attended the Friend-raiser event on Thursday, August 27, to find out more about ways to serve. Stay tuned for more information!