



## *“A Lighthouse Guiding People to Christ”*

Last night we welcomed baby Jesus into the world, the light of the world. What does it mean for us now, Christmas Eve feels like such a big event, where do we go from there? This morning as you are opening presents, continuing traditions, and spending time with loved ones, let us take a moment to hear what it means now that Jesus is here.

Blessings,

Pastor Mollie

Chaires UMC contributed \$725 in gift cards to the United Methodist Children’s Home. A letter will be attached to the giving records of those members who donated gift cards. Thank you, Mary Alice, for coordinating this endeavor as the Children’s Home Rep For Chaires UMC.

*I was sitting in church last Sunday thinking about the 20 or so people it takes to make Sunday worship happen. Being acknowledged for being a part of that team is a blessing to me. Blessings to you all, Susan*

<u>January Birthdays</u>	<u>January Anniversaries</u>
Chaires, Frances 17	Mike & Terry Hatcher 1
Lombardi, Jean 23	Jon & Dot Berry 4
Grubb, Renee 24	Sammy & Marion Lollie 23
Matthews, Edna 27	Jean & Michael Lombardi 29
Holland, Neva 28	
Grubb, Dylan 29	
Hall, Maggie 30	

### It's Cold and McKinsey's Closet Needs YOU

This is a ministry of Calvary UMC Tallahassee. We are in desperate need of clothing items for McKinsey's Closet. We especially need both men and women's underwear and socks. We also are short of smaller sized men's pants waist sizes 30 to 36. Men's shoes are also in short supply. Winter coats are also in big demand as colder weather is rapidly approaching  
Blessings, Pastor Bill Petersen

**As we worship in person, all church services will continue to be posted after 1 pm each Sunday through the church website at [chairesumc.com](http://chairesumc.com).**

**There will be no choir practice on Wednesday, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>. Choir practice will resume on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM**

### Adult Sunday School

This class will be meeting each Sunday at 9 AM. You can participate via phone, the dial-in number is (516) 387-8169.

*Upper Rooms for January and February are on the shelf on the back wall of the sanctuary.*

*The church office will be closed Dec. 26-30, but Susan will be in the office at noon on Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>. She will be making the last deposit of the year that afternoon. If you want any contributions to go on your 2022 giving record, please make sure she has them by noon.*

If you read through Wesley’s sermons, you will soon discover that virtually every sentence has to do with the *transformation* of the believer made possible through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As he comments on the birth of Jesus in Luke, Wesley writes, “For with the Redeemer’s birth, peace and all kinds of happiness come down to dwell on earth: yea, the overflowings of divine good-will and favour are now exercised toward men” The coming of Jesus Christ means peace, happiness and divine favor. Jesus is the very embodiment of these, and we receive these blessings when we are united with Christ through new birth. Charles Wesley expressed this in beautiful poetry in the hymn, “Hark, the Herald Angels Sing.” He wrote of “peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled.” Christ was “born to give us second birth.” And that, according the Wesleys, is the true meaning of Christmas.

David F. Watson



Members:

Willette Dull  
Franklin Chaires  
Mike & Carol Stallard  
Bobbie Harrison  
Mulder & Evelyn Brown  
Neva & Marty Holland

Friends & Family:

Carolyn  
Debbie  
Baby Amelia Schroeder (great niece of Maggie Hall)  
Betty McPherson (niece of David Matthews)  
Stacey and Caroline (friends of Terry Hatcher)  
Lois Dilidero (friend of Bobbie Harrison)  
Baby Girl in TMH NICU  
Kathryn  
Mary Taylor  
Mr. Vega (father of Maggie Hall's co-worker)  
South Korean families  
Bill Butler (brother of Maggie Hall)  
Hazel Oliver (sister of David Matthews)  
People who are affected by Hurricane Ian

**Giving Through Our Website**

Go to <https://ChairesUMC.com> and just click the blue GIVE button and you will be taken to the church REALM site. The church secretary can help you set up your account.

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Chaires Staff	
Pastor	Mollie Bradshaw (pastormollieb@gmail.com)
Secretary	Susan Capelouto (secretarychairesumc@gmail.com)
Music Director	Phillip Ashley
Pianist	Anna Wu
Custodian	Janet Cayson
Audio/Visual	Marty Holland

It's not just a day...



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