

Welcome to Chaires United Methodist Church



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Prelude

Guilherme Godoi

A time for quiet reflection

***Call to Praise # 244**

Congregation

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” (1,2)

***Advent Candle Lighting Liturgy**

Reader: “In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David” (Luke 2: 1, 3-4).

Reader: Today we remember Joseph, worn-out traveler and worried husband, doing what is necessary for the sake of his family, the burden of poverty stifling his hope in the promise of God. There is no room for him, yet he knows to whom he belongs.

People: Today we give thanks for the Josephs among us, migrating far from home when there is no choice, fiercely devoted to the ones they love, unwavering in their belief that there is room for all in the kin-dom of God.

Reader: On this fourth Sunday of Advent, we light this candle as a symbol of Joseph, who knocks at the door, ready to take his place among royalty.

***Hymn # 250**

Congregation

“O Little Town of Bethlehem” (1,2,3,4)

Joys and Concerns

Congregation

Pastoral Prayer

***Offertory Hymn # 271**

Congregation

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You” (1,2)

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings Rev. J. Rainwater

Offertory

Guilherme Godoi

Solo

Rev. John Rainwater

“Sweet Little Jesus Boy”

Message

Rev. Durwood Foshee

From Nazareth to Bethlehem

Luke 2: 1-7

***Hymn of Commitment # 284**

Congregation

“The Birthday of Our King” (1,2)

***Announcements**

Rev. John Rainwater

***Benediction**

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***Benediction Hymn # 258**

Congregation

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

Postlude

Guilherme Godoi

**Please stand if able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Eve Service is at 7pm on December 24 in the Historic Sanctuary. The service is at 7 pm so that you can bring your family with you to attend after dinner. The service will be family friendly and include everyone’s favorite- “Silent Night” by candlelight! There will be no sermon, instead we will listen to the Christmas Story and sing Christmas Carols, celebrating the birth of our Lord. Please bring your family and friends with you.

There will be an offering on Christmas Eve to benefit the Florida Children’s Home. As we welcome in the Christ-child, this offering will allow us to honor a babe born to humble circumstances. If you’re bringing family or friends with

you, please let them know this opportunity will happen during the service.

Christmas Day Service will be at 10 am on

December 25. Christmas Day is a Sunday this year, and we will worship at our normal time. During this service, we will hear the Christmas scriptures and sing some Christmas carols. We will also learn about the story behind those carols. Please bring your family and friends with you.

There will be a special offering on Christmas Day to go toward our benevolence fund. We are

blessed to have Christmas be a Sunday this year! During worship, during our regular offering time, please place any benevolence offerings in an envelope or put "benevolence" in the memo line of the check to designate special gifts toward this fund. What better way to celebrate and worship on Christmas than to give to those in need?

Chrysalis Flight

Chrysalis Flight is a three day spiritual experience for young people ages 15-22 at Centenary Camp near Quincy, Fl. Chrysalis is symbolic of changing from a caterpillar to a beautiful butterfly. It represents that Christ can transform us into new beings in the body of Christ. The Girls Week-end is held Friday, January 13, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m. to January 16 at 6:00 p.m. The Boys Week-end last from February 17- 20. Please encourage any young people that you know to attend.

This Week at Chaires
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Sunday, December 18, 2016 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Saturday, December 24 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve
Service

Sunday, December 25 10:00 a.m. Christmas
Service

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS:

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Ongoing:

Pray for Chaires United Methodist Church to have new growth.

December 11- Bobbi Harrison

Talmadge had a surgical procedure to replace the battery in his pace-maker.

December 11- Terry Hatcher

Jeannette Joiner's grandson, Levi, fell into a fire and burned his leg. He has been transferred to Shands.

December 18- Edna Matthews

Carolyn Fleck passed away.

December 18- Sue Austin

Sue has had medical testing and evaluation at Capital Regional Medical Center this week.

December 18 Franklin and Frances Chaires

Cousin Deborah McFadden's husband, Mike, has several health issues. Their daughter, Holly, has been hospitalized with large, painful kidney stones. -

Please pray for both the individual and their loved ones. The request will remain in the bulletin for two weeks unless further requested. Lack of space requires this. Thank you for your diligent prayers.



The flowers today have been placed to the
Glory of God
And
In memory of Charles LaBounty,
Father of Paula Davies
By
Rick and Paula Davies