The Journey....

DRAWING OTHERS TO GOD THROUGH FAITH, HOPE, LOVE AND SERVICE

OCTOBER 2025



Bushnell Methodist Church Bushnell, Florida Joyce Dunne, Pastor



Choosing Faith: Spiritual Transformation

Choosing faith is more than the act of choice, it's a spiritual decision, and the cornerstone of our faith. It's the first step towards building the foundation needed for a faith journey as a disciple of Jesus Christ. In a world of shifting cultural values, it's important for us to deliberately place our trust in Christ and live in obedience to His Word.

"If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved." Romans 10:9-10

"So everyone who acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven." Matthew 10:32

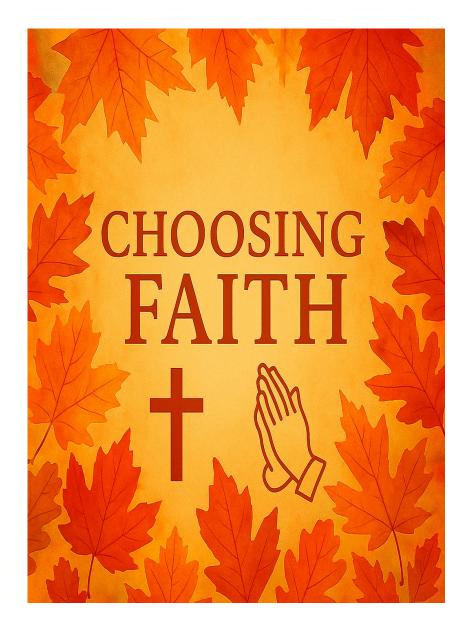
Scripture clearly tells us that we need not only to choose faith, but publicly profess Christ as Lord. Faith is not inherited or automatic, just because family members are Christians doesn't make us Christian. Faith is not received, just because you believe Jesus is real, Satan and his demons know who Jesus is. Faith is a deliberate step that is rooted in conviction, and obedience to God's call in our lives. The Bible teaches that we are not coerced, but invited to choose whom we will serve. God gives us the freedom to enter into a relationship with Him through His Son, because a forced love or relationship would be meaningless and never produce genuine love.

Salvation cannot be earned through our good works, but is a free gift that can only be received through genuine faith. And when we choose faith, the Spirit will help change our focus from self-centeredness to Christ-centeredness. Through faith, we're given a new identity, as a child of God, to live in the hope of eternal life. Choosing faith is rejecting the pull to conform to the patterns of this world, and be transformed by the Spirit to follow God's will.

When we face challenges, our faith will act like a shield, providing strength and protection through our trials. An active faith helps us live in alignment with God's Word which will impact our decisions, relationships and how we engage with the world around us.

Choosing faith is not a one-time act, it's a daily commitment to trust God and hold fast to the truth of the gospel. Choosing faith shapes us, directs us, and empowers us, and brings us nearer to the heart of God.

Pastor Joyce





FREE COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Saturday, October 4th 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Everyone welcome and come join the fellowship.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Tuesday, October 21st at 9:00 a.m.

Darrell's Diner, CR-48, Bushnell



LADIES LUNCHEON

October 21st, Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.

Ladies Luncheon will be held at the El Azteca Mexican Cocina, 138 Bushnell Plaza, Ste. 101, Bushnell. Please contact Celeste Hayes to confirm your reservation at 352-346-1304. If you need a ride please be at the church between 11:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.



OCTOBER 31st, Friday



CHIME CHOIR PRACTICE

October 1st - October 29th, Wednesday 10:00 a.m.



Wednesday, October 1st - December 3rd, 4:30 p.m. An in-depth study of the Book of Jonah (No Bible Study on the following dates 10/29, 11/19, 11/26)



CHOIR PRACTICE

October 5th - October 26th, Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Choir practice will held every Sunday morning.



Happy Birthday to:

10/19 Marilyn Wiser 10/22 Dora Pulver 10/30 Susie Roush



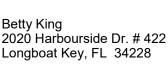
Happy Anniversary to:

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Angie Bartel 116 Shawnee Trail Ringgold, GA 30736

Bert Park 110 Creekside Dr. Apt 204 Painted Post, NY 14870 607-689-6019

Longboat Key, FL 34228





Please call or send a card



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11:00 a.m. Sunday, October 5 Scripture: 2 Timothy 1:1-14 (NIV) Sermon: "A Holy Calling"

11:00 a.m. Sunday, October 12 Scripture: 2 Timothy 2:8-15 (NIV) Sermon: "In Christ We Live"

11:00 a.m. Sunday, October 19 Laity Sunday

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:14, 4:5 (NIV)

Guest Speaker: Micah Adams

11:00 a.m. Sunday, October 26

Scripture: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 (NIV)

Sermon: "Christ The Judge"

Praying with you and for you, Pastor Joyce



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STAFF APPRECIATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19th

Please take a moment to let our staff know how much we appreciate all that they do!



EVENTS COMING YOUR WAY NOVEMBER 2025

- 11/01 Free Community Breakfast 8-10 a.m.
- 11/02 All Saints Sunday Toys For His Kids 11/02-12/01. Packing Party TBA.
 - Choir Practice every Sunday 9:30 a.m.
- 11/05-19 Chime Choir Practice 10:00 a.m.
- 11/09 Annual Conference after the morning service.
- 11/18 Men's Breakfast at 9:00 a.m. and Ladies Luncheon at 1:00 p.m.
- 11/19 Committee Meetings
- 11/23 Decorate Church for Advent
- 11/30 Hanging of the Greens



FARM SHARE

Come every 4th Wednesday of each month here at the church from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Some eligibility may be required. Everyone welcome!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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26 Choir prac. 9:30a	27	28	Food Pantry 11 FarmShare Chime prac. 10a NO Bible Study	30	31 Happy Halloween	

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You're INVITED!

Sun. Worship at 11:00 AM

See you then!