## FIFTH SUNDAY OFFERING







"Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything." (James 1:2-4, NIV)

Cassie came to live at the Florida United Methodist Children's Home after being removed from her home due to abuse stemming from her mother's addiction to drugs. After a few months of care which included a specialized therapeutic plan, Cassie begun to open up. She has become more engaged in school through participation in Student Government and has also become active in our Spiritual Life program. She recently joined the youth choir and sings during services on Sunday mornings.

Psalm 46 speaks about how God is a shelter in the storms. While there are storms that occur frequently in nature, the storms that occur in the lives of our children often result in the longest lasting damage. The children in our care have been through some terrible storms in the form of abuse, neglect, and abandonment. For many of them, the effect of those storms continue to be an everyday reality that impacts their studies, friendships, and overall sense of self-worth.

Through your Fifth Sunday Offerings, you are ensuring that the Children's Home continues to be a safe shelter in the storms of a child's life. The children and families served by our ministry come to know a God who is bigger than anything they might face. Your prayers, volunteer service, donated items, and financial support go a long way toward showing children like Cassie that the storms in their life are only temporary. Thank you for investing in the lives of those who are weathering storms.

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