



THE BULLETIN

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April 9, 2023

No. 14

Worship God
Grow in Christ

Build Community
Bless the World



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (1867-2023)

Celebrating Our 156th Year

318 South Broad Street • Cairo, Georgia 39828-2717

Rev. Sam Vernon, Pastor

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📍 Cairo First United Methodist Church ☎ Upper Room Prayer Line 1-800-251-2468

Easter Sunday!

Men's Disciple Group Starts April 16

Who would benefit?: Any man in our church who wants to grow in his faith.

What will I learn?: How to have a Quiet time, prayer techniques, tips on being a better husband, how to more effectively share your testimony and your faith and, of course, we will study God's Word.

When will we meet?: Six (6) consecutive Sundays starting April 16th and ending May 21st. Group will start at 5:00 pm and end at 6:30 pm sharp.

Commitments you will need to make:

1. Attendance every week
2. Confidentiality
3. Vulnerability
4. Accountability
5. Weekly Homework (1-2 hours)
6. Pray for other group members
7. One on One meeting with Rev. Vernon

Do I have to sign up?: It would be helpful if Rev. Vernon knew ahead of time if you were going to do the group. However, you can absolutely show up at the last minute.

What do I need to bring?: There is no cost. Bring your Bible, a spirit that is willing to grow and a notebook or something to write on or write in.

In Christ,

Sam

"You than my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others."

II Timothy 2: 1 - 2

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

The pastor and members of Cairo First UMC extend their deepest sympathy to Mr. & Mrs. Joe Porter and family in the death of her mother, **MRS. KATHY LINDGREN.**

ROSEBUD ON THE ALTAR:

The rosebud on the altar today is to announce the arrival of **Naomi Josephine Oliver** born March 29, 2023 to bless the home of Chaz and Rachel Oliver. Proud grandparents are Lewis and Lisa Oliver.

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MRS. JOANN BUTLER

By: Miss Sandra Clark
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Smith
Mrs. Carolyn Trawick

MRS. SAMMIE HARPER

By: Aldersgate/Fellowship SS Class
Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Martin
Mrs. Anne Richter
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Smith

MRS. KATHY LINDGREN

By: Mr. & Mrs. Philip Almon

MR. & MRS. CHARLIE SKINNER

By: Cathy Lancaster

MRS. BETH V. WIGHT

By: Darlene Flemer
Karen & Richard Parker
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Smith

SPR COMMITTEE:

Will meet Tuesday, April 11, at 6:00 pm in the small fellowship hall.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE:

Will meet Tuesday, April 11, at 7:00 pm in the Azalea Wight SS Classroom.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE:

Will meet Thursday, April 13, at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall.

LAITY COUNCIL:

Will meet Monday, April 17, at 6:00 pm in the small fellowship hall.

SAFE SANCTUARIES TRAINING:

(SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2:00 PM. AND 5:00 PM)

Safe Sanctuaries is a program mandated by the United Methodist Church designed to create safe environments in our local churches for our children, teenagers or vulnerable adults.

The training is for anyone who plans to be working with Youth or children after May 1, 2023. This would include, but not limited to working in the nursery, teaching or assisting with Sunday School, Youth or Children’s chaperones for trips, Youth volunteers and Vacation Bible School

The training will last about 90 minutes and be led by Celeste Vernon. Celeste’s background includes Christian counseling, elementary school teacher and Preschool Director at Douglas First UMC. She had led training sessions in several Methodist Churches. There is no charge for the training, but we do need you to register ahead of time.

Please understand this training is mandatory for Youth and Children’s workers. If you cannot attend on April 23rd, you will have to make arrangements to receive the training elsewhere.

APRIL MEETING:

April 11: SPR Committee, 6:00 pm
(Fellowship Hall)

April 11: Nominations, 7:00 pm
(Azalee Wight SS Classroom)

April 12: Church Night Supper, 6:00 pm

April 13: Mission Committee, 6:00 pm

April 16: Men’s Disciple Group, 5:00 pm

April 17: Laity Council, 6:00 pm

April 23: Safe Sanctuary Training, 2:00 pm,
and 5:00 pm

April 26: Church Night Supper, 6:00 pm

RESTROOMS:

Are located on the ground floor. There is also a Ladies’ Restroom as you exit the sanctuary door by the piano.

OFFERING ENVELOPES:

Are available for pick up. They will be in the hallway downstairs. If you would like to have weekly offering envelopes and there is not a package for you, please call the church office.



**WEEK OF
APR 9-15
2023**



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, April 9:

8:15 am	Early Worship Chapel
9:00 am	†Contemporary Worship
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	†Traditional Service

Monday, April 10:

10:00 am	Chair Yoga
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Tuesday, April 11:

8:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
10:00 am	Ladies' Prayer Group
6:00 pm	SPR Committee
7:00 pm	Nominations Committee

Wednesday, April 12:

6:00 pm	Meal
6:30 pm	CNS Activities
6:45 pm	Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 13:

8:30 am	Service on CNS Channel 6
10:00 am	Chair Yoga
7:00 pm	Missions Committee

Friday, April 14:

2:00 pm	Service on CNS Channel 6
9:00 pm	Service on CNS Channel 6

† Live streaming

AT HOME:

Mr. Ray Butler
Mr. Jack Drew
Mrs. Catherine Elkins
Mrs. Lauren J. Harrell
Mrs. Charlene Powell

The Church and its ministries, the Church Staff and all Church members.

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED

LIVING RESIDENTS:

MAGNOLIA PLACE:

Mrs. Joan Cassels
Mr. John Shiver
Mr. John Summers (Father of Clair McCaskill)
Mrs. Carolyn Trawick

CAMELLIA GARDENS:

Mrs. Doris Rehberg (Mother of Nell Owens)
Mrs. Pasty Maddox

THOMASVILLE NURSING & REHAB:

Mrs. Mary Meill

PRESBYTERIAN HOME, QUITMAN, GA:

Mrs. Opal Prince

CHESTNUT RIDGE, CUMMING, GA:

Mrs. Vivian Childs

BRENTWOOD, TN:

Dr. Bob Kral

MISSION UPDATE:

The mission committee is working to raise \$1,000 to buy food urgently needed in Kenya due to the drought in the country which is impacting 5.4 million people. Your financial support will be greatly appreciated. Make checks payable to the Church, but marked "Kenya Mission".

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Birthday Greetings

April 2: Ella Jones

April 10: Elise Jolly, Bob Taylor

April 11: Linda Wood

April 14: Jan Bordelon

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 4/2/23

8:15 am	.....	22
9:00 am	.....	46
Live Stream	.....	10
11:00 am	.....	58
Live Stream	.....	24
Weekly Receipts	.....	\$7,239.00
Received to Date - Op.	.....	.\$89,021.00
Memorial/In Honor	.....	.\$515.00
Missions	.....	.\$1,470.00
Bucket Brigade	.....	.\$82.45

BUCKET BRIGADE:

The bucket brigade offerings (loose change in buckets) goes to mission projects that the church sponsors throughout the year. The offering for April will go to the **Kenya Mission**.

Thanks for your donations. Donations can be made by check designating that it is to go to the bucket brigade offering.

Sunday, April 9, 2023

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:15 am

*SCRIPTURE LESSONMatthew 28:1-7
SERMONWho Is Easter For?Rev. Vernon

Contemporary – Sanctuary (with Live Stream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Vernon

WORSHIP

CHILDREN'S SERMONStacey Morgan

*AFFIRMATION OF GOD'S WORD

**This is God's Word. I believe I am who He says I am,
I have what He says I have and I can do what He says I can do.**

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THOSE WHO SERVE: 9:00 AM: SS Greeters/Ushers: **Robert Hudson, Tony Sheffield**

Worship Team: **Brian Morgan** - vocals, guitar; **Stacey Morgan** - vocals, keys;
Myra Easom - Vocals; **Scott Easom** - Bass Guitar

Tech: **Will Bundrick** - video; - streaming

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...ADRIENNE

email: abharrison1@hotmail.com
text: 229-254-2546

- Acolytes: Campbell Jones and Sonny Jack Stoddard
- Buckets: Ella Jones and William Stoddard
- Sunday Nights resume April 16.
- Please consider volunteering in the children's department. We are blessed to have so many kids right now, and they'd love to see new faces and build connections with our church members! Contact Adrienne to see where you might best fit!

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...SCOTT

email: easom316@windstream.net
cell/text: (229) 977-2247

- April 9 – Sunday School - 10:00 am
- No Youth Sunday nights until April 16

Sunday, April 9, 2023

Traditional – Sanctuary (with Live Stream)

11:00 am

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Self and Dr. Benjamin Crook
Lift High the Cross - Raney

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Sam Vernon
Pastor: He Is Risen
Congregation: He Is Risen Indeed!

*THE APOSTLES' CREEDI CorinthiansUMH 888

*HYMN OF PRAISEUMH 302
Christ, the Lord Is Risen Today

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORYHandbell Choir
Classical Easter

*DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSICChancel Choir
Resurrection Power - Fettke

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*HYMN OF RESPONSEUMH Number 310
He Lives

*BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
Thine Is the Glory - Handel/Root

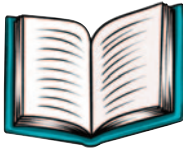
+You are dismissed after the Benediction.
Please feel free to leave, or if you choose, sit quietly and enjoy the Postlude.

* Please stand as you are able.

Altar Guild: Lisa Oliver; **Ushers:** Herbert Wind, Dale Helms

BOOK CLUB:

We would like to expand our book club and would like to invite you to join us once a month for delightful reads and fun discussions. Contact Debbie Godbehere at 229-378-0635.



The book club will meet Wednesday May 17th at 5:00 pm to discuss *The Diary of Anne Frank*.

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SINNER'S PRAYER

DEAR JESUS,

I believe You are the Son of God. Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins 2000 years ago. I confess that I am a sinner. Please forgive me of my sins. Come into my heart and be my Savior and make me into the kind of person You want me to be.

Amen

This is just one example of a prayer that someone could pray to become Christian. For the prayer to be effective it needs to be an honest expression of someone's heart.

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED
318 S. BROAD STREET
CAIRO, GA 39828

CHAIR YOGA CLASSES:

With Lucretia Roddenbery will meet in the fellowship hall on Mondays and Thursdays at 10:00 am.

FLOWER CALENDAR:

A new flower calendar for 2023 has been placed on the bulletin board in the downstairs hallway.

Please sign up for flowers for 2023. And remember that two arrangements are needed.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

The next Church Night Supper will be April 12. Please make sure your reservation is made with the church office by April 10 at noon. MENU: Baked Spaghetti, Lasagna, Salad, Bread, Dessert. Let us know if your child prefers to have a hotdog.

Name _____

Adult No. _____ @ \$6.00 ea.

Children No. (3-11) _____ @ \$3.50 ea.

Directory

- Sam VernonPastor
- Ruth SimsAdm. Assistant
- Scott EasomYouth Director
- Adrienne Harrison ..Children's Director
- Ed SelfOrganist
- Brian and Stacey Morgan
.....Contemporary Worship Leaders
- Linda Wood8:15 Pianist
- Benjamin CrookPianist
- Ashlei Steele ...Preschool Director
- Church Office229-377-3051
- Emergency Numbers **.229-377-1017**
229-403-4028
912-230-6627

EMAILS: When sending emails to the church office, please use the following address:

adm.cairofum@syrupcity.net

E-MAILS ADDRESS/CELL PHONE NUMBERS: Contact with church members is very important. Please turn in email addresses and cell phone numbers especially if you no longer use a land line for your telephone. Thanks

Name _____

E-Mail _____

Cell Number _____

Thanks ever so much!