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Worship God
Grow in Christ

Build Community
Bless the World



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (1867-2023)

Celebrating Our 156th Year

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Rev. Sam Vernon, Pastor

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I still remember the ABC song from the final VBS I participated in as a youth member at the church I grew up in... "A admit to God you are a sinner, B Believe that Jesus is God's Son, C Confess your faith in Jesus as your savior and Lord!" It had a terrible tune (I'll sing it for you sometime!), but it has stuck with me for over 20 years! VBS definitely made an impact on my life, and I can't wait to see what God is going to do for our kids and volunteers at our Keepers of the Kingdom VBS July 9-12.

With Keepers of the Kingdom, your kids will learn how they can be part of God's kingdom through salvation in his Son and will be equipped with the armor of God to become Keepers of the Kingdom and strong in today's battle for truth.

No one is too young or too old to be a part of this exciting week! Join us July 9-12 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. each night. If you're interested in volunteering or registering a student for VBS, visit our webpage: cairofirst.myanswers.com/vbs2023

Adrienne

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MRS. ELLEN WHITE

By: Paige Groover

UPCOMING DATES TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR:

June 25 - Communion

July 9-12 - VBS, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

July 17 - Men's Group (Please take note of the change of the date of normal meeting.)

July 25 - 6:00 pm SPR Committee

August 21 - Laity Council Meeting

VBS: JULY 9 - 12

It is time to sign your children up for VBS. See the children's section on how to sign up on line.

Volunteers are needed and your assistance is very much appreciated. Contact Adrienne Harrison to sign up even if it is only for one night.

NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 2ND

Patriotic theme at all three services. No Communion! We will get back on our regular first Sunday Communion Service in August.

THANK YOU, DR. BEN CROOK!

Ben joined our Music Staff last September as our 11:00 am Worship Service Pianist. Recently Ben has accepted an offer to teach as a Music Professor at Troy University in Alabama. Dr. Crook's position begins in August so this will be his last Sunday with us.

After today's 11:00 am worship service, the Choir will honor him with a Farewell Luncheon. Selfishly, we hate to see Ben go because we have been blessed through his musical talent, but we celebrate with the Crooks this new ministry and next chapter of their lives.

Cairo First is seeking a Nursery Director and a Childcare Worker.

Responsibilities include recruiting volunteers, communicating with parents, ensuring the nursery's cleanliness and safety and most of all, a love for children!

Primary hours will be Sunday mornings and nights, as well as Wednesday nights. Additional hours will be added as needed based on the church's schedule.

Resumes can be emailed to Adrienne at abharrison1@hotmail.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES:

All adult SS classes are now meeting. If you are not currently attending a Sunday School class, now is a good time to start. There are several options and you would be welcome to visit any or all of the classes.

- Burleigh Law: Mostly couples that have grown children and grandchildren.
- Azalee Wight: Mostly couples, some retired, others still working. Various members rotate teaching
- Pairs and Spares: Mixed group of singles and couples
- New Hope: Adults (45+) with teenage and college age children
- Cephas: Young Adults (30+)

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The Church office will be closed Tuesday, July 4, in recognition of Independence Day.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG:

It is not too late to return your filled baby bottle for First Option Care. Your generosity to this mission is very much appreciated.

MEN'S GROUP:

Due to a scheduling conflict, the Men's Group will meet July 17, at 7:00 pm in the fellowship. Please make sure you make this change on your calendar for July.



Week of
JUNE 25 – July 1
2023

Sunday, June 25:

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

Monday, June 26:

- 10:00 am Chair Yoga

Tuesday, June 27:

- 8:00 am Men's Prayer Group
- 10:00 am Ladies' Prayer Group

Wednesday, June 28:

- 6:45 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, June 29:

- 8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6
- 10:00 am Chair Yoga

Friday, June 30:

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

† Live streaming

BULLETINS:

For those of you who receive a bulletin in the mail, place it in your Bible to bring to church with you on Sunday mornings.

JUNE CALENDARS:

Are available on the table across from Rev. Vernon's office.

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 6/18/23

8:13 am	16
9:00 am	70
Live Stream	8
11:00 am	50
Live Stream	NA
Weekly Receipts	\$2,050.00
Received to Date - Op.	\$137,717.00
Memorial/In Honor	\$20.00
Missions	\$0.00
Bucket Brigade	\$68.54

BUCKET BRIGADE:

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



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

AT HOME:

- Mr. Ray Butler
- Mr. A.B. Clark (father of Sandra Clark)
- Mr. Jack Drew
- Mr. David and Mrs. Catherine Elkins
- Mrs. Lauren J. Harrell
- Mr. Bob Jones
- Mrs. Faye Miller
- Mrs. Charlene Powell
- Mrs. Marjorie Taylor

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

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED

LIVING RESIDENTS:

MAGNOLIA PLACE:

- Mrs. Joan Cassels
- Mrs. Nell Mitchell
- Mrs. Janet Murphy
- Mr. John Shiver
- Mr. John Summers (Father of Clair McCaskill)
- Mrs. Carolyn Trawick

CAMELLIA GARDENS, THOMASVILLE, GA:

- Mrs. Patsy Maddox

SOUTHERN PINES, THOMASVILLE, GA:

- Mrs. Doris Rehberg (Mother of Nell Owens)

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

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



Birthday Greetings

- June 25:** Ben Hopkins, Laura Hudson
- June 29:** Foxx Ingram
- June 30:** Steve Godbehere
- July 1:** Chad Allen, Reed Carter

Sunday, June 25, 2023

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:15 am

*SCRIPTURE LESSONI Corinthians 8:4-13
SERMONBuilding Blocks or Stumbling Blocks?Rev. Vernon
COMMUNION

Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
WORSHIP
CHILDREN'S SERMON
*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: **Bradley Jones, Tony Sheffield;**

Worship Team: Brian Morgan - vocals, guitar; Stacey Morgan - vocals, keys;
Myra Easom - vocals; Scott Easom - bass guitar;

Tech: Rebecca McKemie - video; Jarrett Harrison - streaming;

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...ADRIENNE

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

- Acolytes: Nolan Duncan and Austin Kate Hudson
- Buckets: Colson Duncan and William Stoddard

Thanks to everyone who has donated snacks and drinks to the children's department.

VBS is coming up fast! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Adrienne.

SAVE THE DATE: July 30

- Blessing of the Backpacks during the 9:00 a.m. service
- Back to School Bash - 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...SCOTT

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

- June 25 – Sunday School - 10:00 am
- No Youth Sunday Nights until after summer

Sunday, June 25, 2023

Traditional – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Ed Self and Dr. Ben Crook
It Is Well with My Soul - Kim

RECOGNITION OF FATHERS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Vernon

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHApostles' CreedNo. 881

*HYMN OF THE PRAISENo. 622
There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood

OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Vernon

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
I Love to Tell the Story - Wells

*DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSICMs. Piper Loeffler
Grace - Hayes

HOLY COMMUNIONNo. 12
A Service of Word and Table II

*AFFIRMATION OF GOD'S WORD

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I have what He says I have and I can do what He says I can do.**

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SERMONBuilding Blocks or Stumbling Blocks?Rev. Vernon

*HYMN OF RESPONSENo. 462
Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

*BENEDICTIONRev. Vernon

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
Praise Him! Praise Him! - Johnson

*+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: Anne Richter; **Ushers:** Herbert Wind, Dale Helms

CHAIR YOGA CLASSES:

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

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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.

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.

BE GOOD STEWARDS:

When you leave the sanctuary on Sunday morning, please take a minute to replace the hymnal and/or Bible in the rack. Also, please take your used tissue and bulletin with you upon departing.

Thanks for your assistance as we do not have custodians coming in after Sunday services.

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

Directory

- Sam Vernon*Pastor*
- Ruth Sims*Adm. Assistant*
- Scott Easom*Youth Director*
- Adrienne Harrison . . *Children's Director*
- Ed Self*Organist*
- Brian and Stacey Morgan
.*Contemporary Worship Leaders*
- Linda Wood*:8:15 Pianist*
- Benjamin Crook*Pianist*
- Ashlei Steele*Preschool Director*
- Church Office*.229-377-3051*
- Emergency Numbers **.229-377-1017**
229-403-0428
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!