

# THE BULLETIN

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Worship God  
Grow in Christ

Build Community  
Bless the World



## CAIRO FIRST CHURCH

*(1867-2023) – Celebrating Our 156th Year*

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# Taking Care

## OF EACH OTHER



In the last several weeks, our members have had a difficult stretch with their physical health. As a congregation, we have experienced death, surgeries, illness, cancer and many unexpected injuries. While as a Pastor I never root for these situations, they do present our church with opportunities to minister and boy have you stepped up!

Maybe you stayed late at the hospital to make sure your friend was alright. Maybe you called the Pastor or the Church Secretary to see how someone was doing. Maybe you drove out of town to a hospital or a Nursing Home to check on a fellow member. Maybe you called, texted or wrote someone a card to help them feel better. Maybe you went "Old School" and actually visited the person. Maybe you prayed for people with the Ladies' Prayer Group or prayed on your own.

Thanks from your Pastor if you did any of these! Church analysts regularly remind us that "there are many windows that allow us to look into the SOUL of a Church. One of those windows is how we care for our own." Is our church flawless in this area? No and neither is our Pastor. Having said that, I am encouraged in the faith by watching so many of you minister to others!

So keep praying, keep visiting, keep communicating, keep serving and keep loving. After all didn't Jesus say "*whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of Mine, you did for Me*" - Matthew 25: 40

In Christ

*Sam*

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:**

The pastor and members of Cairo First Church extend their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of **MRS. ROBERT WEYMAN (DALE CAMPBELL) BUSSEY**; To the family and friends of **MR. MARK SCOTT MEISSNER**; To Mr. and Mrs. John Davis and family in the death of her mother, **MRS. LYNNE WALKER LAWSON**, Tallahassee, FL.; To the family and friends of **MR. PERRY N. BROWN**.

**MEMORIALS:**

A memorial has been given to the church in loving memory of

**MRS. BETH WIGHT**

By: Neal and Lib Wight Quirk

**JULY/AUGUST**

**UPCOMING DATES TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR:**

**July 25** - 6:00 pm SPR Committee

**July 30** - Recognition of Teachers at all three services;

**July 30 - 9:00 am** - Blessing of the backpacks.

**August 6** - Next Service of Communion

**August 21** - Laity Council Meeting

**STAFF PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE:**

Will meet Tuesday, July 25th at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall.

**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.

**RESTROOMS:**

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

**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

**GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH PRESENTATION:**

**WHEN:** Sunday, August 13th, 6:00 pm

**WHERE:** Sanctuary

**PRESENTER:** Rev. Jimmy Towson

Jimmy is Pastor of Park Avenue Church in Valdosta (formerly Park Avenue United Methodist). He is also on the South Georgia Executive Committee of the Global Methodist Church.

**WHY:**

- To learn about this new denomination
- To find out why over 3,000 churches have already joined
- To hear why Rev. Towson's Church in Valdosta decided to join the Global Methodist Church
- To help us decide if our church wants to join the Global Methodist denomination

**FORMAT:** Rev. Towson will do about a 45 minute power point presentation and then there will time for questions and answers.

Childcare will be available until 7:30 pm. Presentation is open to everyone!

**SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S BREAKFAST MOVED**

Our church was scheduled to host this breakfast on Friday, July 28th. It has been moved to First Baptist Church, but will still be held on the 28th.



Week of  
**July 23-29**  
2023



## Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

### Sunday, July 23:

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

### Monday, July 24:

- 10:00 am Chair Yoga

### Tuesday, July 25:

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

### Wednesday, July 26:

*No Activities*

### Thursday, July 27:

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

### Friday, July 28:

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

† Live streaming

### AT HOME:

- Mr. Ray Butler
- Mr. A.B. Clark (father of Sandra Clark)
- Miss Sandra Clark
- Mrs. Judy Cox
- Mr. Jack Drew
- Mr. David and Mrs. Catherine Elkins
- Mrs. Lauren J. Harrell
- Mr. Bob Jones
- Mrs. Faye Miller
- 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. Dot Moses James
- Mrs. Nell Mitchell
- Mrs. Janet Murphy
- Mr. John Shiver
- Mr. John Summers (Father of Clair McCaskill)
- Mrs. Carolyn Trawick

#### SOUTHERN PINES, THOMASVILLE, GA:

- Mrs. Patsy Maddox
- 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

#### ATLANTA, GA

- Ike & Charlene Powell

#### BRENTWOOD, TN:

- Dr. Bob Kral

### AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 7/16/23

8:15 am	.....18
9:00 am	.....69
Live Stream	.....12
11:00 am	.....66
Live Stream	.....20
Weekly Receipts	.....\$2,555.00
Received to Date - Op.	.\$154,866.00
Memorial/In Honor	.....\$1000.00
Missions	.....\$50.00
Bucket Brigade	.....\$20.00

### BUCKET BRIGADE:

The bucket brigade offerings (loose change in buckets) goes to mission projects that the church sponsors throughout the year. The offering for July will go to the **Back Pack Ministry**. School will be starting soon and food will be needed for the elementary children.



## Birthday Greetings

**July 23:** Robyn Duncan

**July 24:** Mason Hopkins,  
Annabelle Stanaland

**July 25:** Liam Bundrick

**July 27:** John Miller David,  
Waylon Ford, Laurie McGhin,  
Marjorie Taylor

**July 28:** James Cason

**July 29:** James Russell Avery

Sunday, July 23, 2023

**Traditional Informal – Chapel**

**8:15 am**

\*SCRIPTURE LESSON .....-  
SERMON .....Wisdom from the Proverbs .....Rev. Vernon

**Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)**

**9:00 am**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS .....

WORSHIP

CHILDREN’S SERMON .....Celeste Vernon

\*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: **Matt Sanders, Seth Staland;**

**Worship Team:** Brian Morgan - vocals, guitar; Stacey Morgan - vocals, keys;

Myra Easom - vocals; Scott Easom - bass guitar;

**Tech:** Nathan Hartsell - video; Jarrett Harrison - streaming;

**CHILDREN’S MINISTRY**

**NEWS FROM...ADRIENNE**

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

- Acolytes: Addie Clark and Reagan Hartsell
- Buckets:
- July 30 - Blessing of the Backpacks during the 9:00 service.
- Promotion Sunday is August 6.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**NEWS FROM...SCOTT**

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

- July 23 – Sunday School - 10:00 am
- No Youth Sunday Nights until after summer

We had a great time at Hanger 38 this past Tuesday!

Snack and drink donations are needed-and much appreciated! Thanks!

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARY .....Mr. Ed Self  
*Hymn of Majesty and Power - Thallander*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS .....Rev. Vernon

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH .....Psalm 46 .....No. 8780

\*HYMN OF PRAISE .....No. 156  
*I Love to Tell the Story*

OFFERTORY PRAYER .....Rev. Vernon

OFFERING

OFFERTORY .....Mr. Self  
*Have Thine Own Way - Hustad*

\*DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC .....Mrs. Vicky Pharis

\*AFFIRMATION OF GOD'S WORD

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\*SCRIPTURE LESSON .....-

SERMON .....Wisdom from the Proverbs .....Rev. Vernon

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE .....No. 367  
*He Touched Me*

\*BENEDICTION .....Rev. Vernon

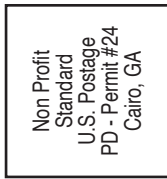
+POSTLUDE .....Mr. Self  
*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name - DeCou*

*+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.

**CHAIR YOGA CLASSES:**

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



**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+)

**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  
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**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*
- 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**

**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.

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!*