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CAIRO FIRST CHURCH

(1867-2023) – Celebrating Our 156th Year

318 South Broad Street • Cairo, Georgia 39828-2717

Rev. Sam Vernon, Pastor

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REPORT OF THE DENOMINATIONAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

The committee consists of the following persons: Miriam Funderburk, Jarrett Harrison, Cassie Hudson, Bradley Jones, Dick Porter, Matt Sanders, Fran Sheffield, Seth Stanaland, Frances Thrower, and Ed Wood. All members have participated in one or more of our meetings and all have unanimously approved our recommendation as set out herein.

Various options were considered of where CFUM goes or how it operates following the approval of its disaffiliation by the South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church. Among those considered were Global Methodist Church, Congregational Methodist Church, Free Methodist Church, Wesleyan Church, Association of Independent Methodists, and Church of the Nazarene. Operating without a denomination as a private church was also discussed.

First of all, we recommend that we join a denomination similar to the South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church (SGUMC), but with certain changes dealing with the following matters:

1. Beliefs as to marriage and sexual behavior
2. Trust Clause
3. Apportionments
4. Appointments and terms of Clergy
5. Accountability as to (a) use funds and (b) enforcement of violations of our beliefs and Discipline by Clergy and Bishops
6. Unrestricted disaffiliation

The committee has studied and spent considerable time discussing and reviewing THE "TRANSITIONAL BOOK OF DOCTRINES AND DISCIPLINE" of GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH (the Discipline). The 6 items listed above are included and covered in the Discipline. The manner those are included in the Discipline are satisfactory and approved by the committee.

Accordingly, and second, the Committee recommends to the LAITY COUNCIL that we join and affiliate with the Global Methodist Church.

The third recommendation of the committee deals with the timing following disaffiliation from the South Georgia Conference. This committee further discussed the need to conclude expeditiously the disaffiliation from the

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ALTAR FLOWERS:

The flowers on the altar today are placed there by Mr. Kenneth Gale in loving memory of **MRS. SHIRLEY MAXWELL GALE.**

MEMORIALS:

Memorial have been given to the church in loving memory of

MR. PERRY BROWN

By: Mr. & Mrs. Keith Campbell

MR. A. B. (BUDDY) CLARK

By: Mr. & Mrs. Philip Almon

MR. JACK DREW

By: Mr. & Mrs. Keith Campbell
Mr. Dale Helms
Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Martin

MRS. PATSY MADDOX

By: Mr. & Mrs. Keith Campbell
Mr. & Mrs. Mike Chastain
Miss Sandra Clark
Jeff & Bronwyn Copeland
Pam Copeland
Angie Hughes
Mrs. Judy Cox
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Giddens
Mr. Dale Helms
Bill and Renee West

MR. SCOTT MEISSNER

By: Mr. & Mrs. Keith Campbell

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

September 18 - 6:00 pm -
WinGS Meet

September 20 - 6:00 pm -
CNSupper

September 25 - 6:00 pm -
Laity Council

September 27 - 6:00 pm -
CNSupper

- 6:45 pm -

Church-wide Vote on
Denomination Decision

WINGS TO MEET:

Monday, September 18, at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall. All ladies of the church are invited to attend. Bring your favorite covered dish to share.

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South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church and our affiliation with Global Methodist Church. This matter has been oncoming for a considerable time and the committee's opinion is that members are ready to move on by closing the book and start anew in whatever the Laity Council thinks best. This would be a new beginning in a new Methodist Church in Cairo. If the Council has questions of any of us, we would gladly respond to your requests.

Bradley Jones, Chairman

**CHURCH-WIDE VOTE ON
DENOMINATION DECISION**

- Wednesday, September 27 after Wednesday Night Supper. **If you choose to come at 6:00 pm for the meal, make sure you make reservations by Monday noon (September 25)**

- Check your mail for a letter from your church with specific details.

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY (OCTOBER 22):

Just one service this Sunday. Jeremy Moore and the Morgans will both lead us in our music. After the service, we will have lunch in the fellowship hall. The Church will provide the meat(s) and drink. We are asking you to bring covered dishes and/or dessert.

SERMON SERIES OUTLINES: Available at the end of your pew or front row of Sanctuary or the chapel



Week of **September 17**
September 23
2023



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, September 17:

8:15 am	Early Worship
9:00 am	† Contemporary Worship
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	† Traditional Service
5:00 pm	Children's Activities
	Youth Activities
	Disciple Groups

Monday, September 18:

6:00	WinGS
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Tuesday, September 19:

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

Wednesday, September 20:

5:00 pm	Handbells
6:00 pm	Meal
6:30 pm	Activities
6:30 pm	Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 21:

8:30 am	Service on CNS Channel 6
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Friday, September 22:

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

† Live streaming

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 9/10/23

8:15 am	.....17
9:00 am	.....71
Live Stream	.....18
11:00 am	.....51
Live Stream	.....14
Weekly Receipts	.....\$5,375.00
Received to Date - Op.	.....\$199,456.00
Memorial/In Honor	.....\$275.00
Missions	.....\$200.00
Bucket Brigade	.....\$92.33

BUCKET BRIGADE:

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

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

AT HOME:

Mr. Ray Butler
Mr. David and Mrs. Catherine Elkins
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. 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

COUNTING FROM SUNDAY, SEPT 17:

10 Days until Denominational Vote
35 Days until Fellowship Sunday & Covered Dish
42 Days until Fall Festival
67 Days until Thanksgiving
98 Shopping Days until Christmas



Birthday Greetings

September 17: Beverly Cliett

September 19: Dick Porter

September 20: Diane Singletary

September 21: Abbey Lee

Sunday, September 17, 2023

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:15 am

*SCRIPTURE LESSONI Samuel 10:6-8
SERMONKing Saul Behaving Badly

Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
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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SERMONKing Saul Behaving BadlyRev. Vernon

THOSE WHO SERVE: 9:00 AM: SS Greeters/Ushers: **Chad Allen, Bill Harrell;**
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: Regan and Mason
- Buckets: William and Griffin
- Sunday Nights have resumed - 5:00-6:30 p.m!
We are still looking for a few people to help volunteer and bring snacks.
Contact Adrienne if you are able.
- September 17: Acolyte Training for 1st -5th grade during Sunday School

TRUNKS AND GAMES NEEDED FOR THE FALL FESTIVAL

The Fall Festival is scheduled for Sunday, October 29 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.
If you are willing to do a trunk or game, please let Adrienne know!

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...SCOTT

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

- September 17 – Sunday School - 10:00 am

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

Sunday, September 17, 2023

Combined – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Self
More Love to Thee, O Christ - Hamlin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Vernon

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHI CorinthiansNo. 888

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 327
Crown Him with Many Crowns

OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Vernon

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
Adagio - Marcello

*DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSICChancel Choir

*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.**

*SCRIPTURE LESSONI Samuel 10:6-8

SERMONKing Saul Behaving BadlyRev. Vernon

*HYMN OF RESPONSENo. 402
Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

*BENEDICTIONRev. Vernon

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
Toccata in F - Buxtehude

* Please stand as you are able.

Altar Guild: Beverly Cliett, Anne Richter; **Ushers:** Herbert Wind, Dale Helms

**MEN'S & WOMEN'S
DISCIPLE GROUPS:**

Contact Rev. Vernon (912) 230-6627 or Celeste Vernon (912) 230-6613 if you would like to be a part of the upcoming new Disciple Groups. This will be helpful in making plans and ordering books.

Being a part of a group includes weekly attendance, homework, commitment to daily quiet time, accountability, confidentiality and a willingness to share about your spiritual life.

The first night of meeting will be Sunday, September 10, at 5:00 pm. Come check it out on September 10 even if you have not previously registered.

There will be childcare while the adults are meeting.

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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.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

You can call the church office, 377-3051, email the church office at adm.cairofum@syrupcity.net by noon on Monday, or fill out the form below and turn in on Sunday to make reservations for the meal. If you would like to make permanent reservations, please let that be known. You would be responsible for paying for the meal if you did not attend, but could cancel by Monday noon if you were not going to be able to attend.

Name _____

Adult No. _____ @ \$6.00 ea.

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

_____ Make Permanent Reservation

Directory

- Sam VernonPastor
- Ruth SimsAdm. Assistant
- Scott EasomYouth Director
- Adrienne Harrison . .Children's Director
- Jeremy MooreMusic Director
- Ed SelfOrganist
- Brian and Stacey Morgan
.Contemporary Worship Leaders
- Linda Wood8:15 Pianist
- Ashlei SteelePreschool Director
- Church Office229-377-3051
- 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!