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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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Rev. Sam Vernon, Pastor

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



Armando

I met him back in June in the front yard of our church. I had seen him several times from a distance pull up to the church, park his vehicle, march up to the front door and pray. Sometimes he prays for a about a minute, sometimes several minutes. So finally I was able to get out to the front yard to talk to him. I had a million questions:

Do you pray for other churches?

Why our Church?

Why are you doing this?

Have you ever been inside our church? Have you ever worshipped with us?

Apparently Armando comes by on his way to work (Monday through Friday). He feels God led him to do this and specifically pray for our church. He says "Praying helps him get through the day." Armando has never even been inside our church. He is happy with his church where he worships every Sunday, but he is going to keep praying for us until the Lord tells him to stop.

I do not know about you, but it gets me fired up spiritually to know a complete stranger is praying for our church five days a week. Armando has a cool tetimony which I do not have the space for this week but stay turned. In the meantime, let us all be motivated by Armando's example as we remember our membership vows "To support the church with our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service."

In Christ

Sam

ROSEBUD ON THE ALTAR:

The rosebud on the altar today is to announce the arrival of **Tyse Alexander Grave de Peralta** born September 25, 2023 to bless the home of Joseph and Kelli Grave de Peralta. Tyse is welcomed by his parents and three siblings.

MEMORIALS:

Memorial have been given to the church in loving memory of

MR. A.B. CLARK

By: Chancel Choir Members
Mrs. Carolyn Trawick

MR. PATSY MADDOX

By: Mr. & Mrs. Howell McKinnon

MISSIONS COMMITTEE:

Will meet Thursday, October 5, at 6:00 pm in the small fellowship hall.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE:

Will meet Thursday, October 12, at 7:00 pm in the small fellowship hall.

2024 LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

Your Nominations Committee will begin meeting soon to prepare a slate of Church officers for the upcoming 2024 year. If you are interested in serving or would like to be replaced in your position, please let someone on the Nominations Committee know.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE:

Rev. Sam Vernon (Chair), Jamie Allen, Kathy Higginbotham, Carrie Stanaland, Nancy McClenny, Joe Porter, Hope Almon, Billy Wind, Ed Wood.

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.

OCTOBER UPCOMING DATES TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR:

October 2 - 6:00 pm, WinGS

October 9-13, School Fall Break
NO SUPPER ON OCTOBER 11

October 12 - 7:00 pm -
Nominating Committee

October 22 - 11:00 am -
One Worship Service
followed by covered dish meal

October 29 - 4:00 - 6:00 pm -
Fall Festival

DENOMINATION VOTE RESULTS:

116 ballots cast, 113 in favor of joining denomination and 3 votes in favor of staying independent. On second question: 113 ballots cast, 107 in favor of joining Global Methodist Church and 6 in favor of joining Association of Independent Methodists. We will become part of the Global Methodist Church on January 1, 2024.

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.

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.

SERMON SERIES OUTLINES:

Available at the end of your pew or front row of Sanctuary or the chapel.



Week of **October 1**
October 6
2023



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, October 1:

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, October 2:

6:00	WinGS
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Tuesday, October 3:

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

Wednesday, October 4:

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

Thursday, October 5:

8:30 am	Service on CNS Channel 6
6:00 pm	Missions Committee

Friday, October 6:

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

† Live streaming

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 9/24/23

8:15 am	.....11
9:00 am	.....58
Live Stream	.....8
11:00 am	.....41
Live Stream	.....18
Weekly Receipts	.....\$3,420.00
Received to Date - Op.	.....\$205,386.00
Memorial/In Honor	.....\$185.00
Missions	.....\$20.00
Bucket Brigade	.....\$74.56

BUCKET BRIGADE:

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

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
- Mrs. Lauren 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
- Mrs. Carolyn Trawick

CAMELLIA GARDENS, THOMASVILLE, GA

- Mr. John Summers (Father of Clair McCaskill)

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



Birthday Greetings

October 1: Mark Bradley, Carson Lee

October 3: Karen Bishop, Joan Cassels

October 4: Allison Carter, Zoe Fisher, Candace Hopkins

October 6: Mitchell Vernon

October 7: Elizabeth Elchenko

Sunday, October 1, 2023

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:15 am

*SCRIPTURE LESSONI Samuel 16:1-8
SERMONThe Boy Who Would Be King

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.**

*SCRIPTUREI Samuel 16:1-8

SERMONThe Boy Who Would Be KingRev. Vernon

THOSE WHO SERVE: 9:00 AM: SS Greeters/Ushers: **Chad Allen, Bill Harrell;**

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

Tech: Rebecca McKemie - video; Miller Kate Morgan - streaming;

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...ADRIENNE

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

- Acolytes: Hadley Rae and Jensyn Drew Morgan
- Buckets: Theo Stoddard and Judge Peralta
- Sunday Nights have resumed - 5:00-6:30 p.m.!

TRUNKS NEEDED for the fall festival! October 29 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. If you are willing to do a trunk or game, please contact Adrienne.

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...SCOTT

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

- October 1 – Sunday School - 10:00 am

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

Sunday, October 1, 2023

Combined – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Self
Let Us Break Bread Together - Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Vernon

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHApostles CreedNo. 881

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 127
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Vernon

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
Pastorale - Wood

*DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSICChancel Choir

COMMUNION

*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.**

*SCRIPTURE LESSONI Samuel 16:1-8

SERMONThe Boy Who Would Be KingRev. Vernon

*HYMN OF RESPONSENo. 700
Abide With Me (stanzas 1,4,5)

*BENEDICTIONRev. Vernon

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
Hyfrydol - Nixon

* Please stand as you are able.

Altar Guild: Karen Bishop, Diane Jones, Lisa Oliver; **Ushers:** Herbert Wind, Dale Helms

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES:

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: Adults (30+) with young children

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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

Are on Wednesday with serving beginning at 6:00 pm.

Please contact the church office, 377-3051, by Monday noon, to make reservations for the meal each week. You can also email the church office at adm.cairofum@syrupcity.net or fill out the form below and turn in on Sunday to make reservations.

If your child would like to have a hot dog, please let us know in advance.

Week of October 4

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 Steele ...Preschool 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!