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Worship God
Grow in Christ

Build Community
Bless the World



CAIRO FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

(1867-2024) – Celebrating Our 157th Year

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NO Communion this Sunday.

Next Communion will be Maundy Thursday service on March 28th.



2024 THINGS TO CELEBRATE

- A Great Leadership Retreat in January
- First Adult Baptism in several years
- Thirteen (13) youth at Our Super Bowl Party
- Bible-based Children's Ministry
- New energy in our Board of Trustees
- Forty-seven (47) at the Ash Wednesday Service
- Over sixty (60) members and visitors signing up to participate in at least one Lenten activity
- Eleven (11) ladies in our Ladies' Discipleship Group
- Regular visitors at both the 9:00 am and 11:00 am worship services
- The enthusiasm for this Sunday's "Meet and Greet" (10:10 - 10:45 am)

Do we have work to do? Absolutely! However, we are off to a great start. There is more unity in our future than division and plenty of God's blessings to look forward to!

Proud to be your Pastor!

In Christ,

Sam

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

The pastor and members of Cairo First Methodist Church extend their deepest sympathy to Mr. Ray Butler and family in the death of his son **MR. RAYMOND (RAY) DEKLE BUTLER.**

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MRS. FAYE GOWAN

By: Mr. & Mrs. Philip Almon
Mrs. Carolyn Shelfer
Miss Monteen Stewart

SEVEN THEMES OF LENT

- 1. Recognizing our own Mortality
- 2. Repentance
- 3. Identification with Christ
- 4. Preparation
- 5. Self-denial
- 6. Reflection
- 7. Renewal

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday of each year and culminates with our Easter Celebration (March 31). These 7 themes of Lent are important Christian concepts all year but during Lent we emphasize them in our collective worship and individual spiritual formation.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

One Service and Lunch.

Please put this on your calendars. The 11:00 am service will be the only one that day. Service will feature both Contemporary and Traditional music. Afterwards, we will have a covered dish luncheon. Church will provide meat and beverages. We will ask you to bring sides and desserts.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION:

CFMC Preschool will begin registration for 3 and 4-year old students on the following dates. Students must turn the age of the class by September 1.

February 26 - March 1 - Early Registration for children whose parents are church members

March 4-8 - Early registration children who are siblings of Preschool students and whose grandparents are church members.

March 11 Open Registration

Please remember all spots are filled

on a first come, first come , first serve basis. You may pickup registration packets in the Preschool Office M-F, 7:30 - 1:00. Please see Ashlei Steele for further information.

MARCH/APRIL UPCOMING DATES TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR:

- MARCH 1** - Pre-ORDERED Strawberry Pickup
- MARCH 3** - 10:10 AM - Meet and Greet in Fellowship Hall
- MARCH 4** - 6:00 PM - WinGS
- MARCH 7** - 6:30 PM - Missions Committee
- MARCH 10** - Daylight Saving Time Begins
- MARCH 11** - 7:00 PM - Methodist Men's Group
- MARCH 18** - 6:00 pm - Laity Council
- MARCH 20** - 6:00 pm - Preschool Fundraiser
- MARCH 24** - Palm Sunday
- MARCH 27** - Easter Egg Hunt following supper
- MARCH 28** - 6:00 pm - Maundy Thursday Service
- MARCH 31** - Easter Sunday
- APRIL 21** - One Worship Service followed by Covered-dish Meal

MEET AND GREET:

When: Sunday, March 3, 2024

Where: Fellowship Hall

Food and Drink?: Oh Yeah!
Pastries, Coffee, OJ, etc.

Sponsored by: Cephas Sunday School Class

Why?: To build UNITY
To get the 3 Worship Services together
To get the different age groups
To meet new people
To gain weight (HA!)

What about Sunday School?:

We are never going to tell Adult Sunday School Classes they cannot meet, but we are asking all of our SS classes not to meet that Sunday and come support this Fellowship event.

*** Youth and Children will go to**



Week of **Mar. 3-9**
2024



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, March 3:

8:00 am	Early Worship
9:00 am	† Contemporary Worship
10:10 am	Meet & Greet
11:00 am	† Traditional Worship
5:00 pm	Children/Youth Activities
	Ladies' Discipleship Group

Monday, March 4:

6:00 pm	WinGS
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Tuesday, March 5:

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

Wednesday, March 6:

5:00 pm	Handbells
6:00 pm	Meal
6:30 pm	Activities
6:45 pm	Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 7:

8:30 am	Service on CNS Channel 6
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Friday, March 8:

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

† Live streaming

MISSION COMMITTEE:

Will meet Thursday night, March 7, at 6:30 pm. All are welcome.

WINGS:

Will meet Monday, March 4, at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall. Bring your favorite covered dish to share and join the ladies.

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 2/25/24

Weekly needs\$9,793.00
Received week of 2/25	..\$4,440.00
Memorial/In Honor\$105.00
Missions\$00.00
Bucket Brigade\$116.18

BUCKET BRIGADE:

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

CAMILLA, GA

Mr. Roy Luke (Brother-in-law of Charles Davis)

ARCHBOLD:

Mr. Rusty Wood (Brother of Becky Hopkins)

AT HOME:

Mr. Ray Butler
Mr. David and Mrs. Catherine Elkins
Mr. Kenneth Gale
Mr. Bob Jones
Mrs. Judy Martinucci
Mr. Howell McKinnon and Mrs. Eleanor McKinnon
Mrs. Faye Miller
Mr. Jeb Owens

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

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED

LIVING RESIDENTS:

ARCHBOLD LIVING, CAIRO:

Mr. John Summers (Father of Clair McCaskill)

MAGNOLIA PLACE:

Mrs. Joan Cassels
Mrs. Dot Moses James
Mrs. Nell Mitchell
Mrs. Janet Murphy
Mr. John Shiver
Mrs. Carolyn Trawick

SOUTHERN PINES, THOMASVILLE, GA:

Mrs. Doris Rehberg (Mother of Nell Owens)
Mrs. Marjorie Taylor

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

March 3: Mary Robertson,
Rhett Vernon, Fran Youmans

March 4: Sheila Campbell, Marilyn Ricks

March 5: Matt McCaskill, Richard Moses

March 6: Sarah Chason

March 7: Philip Almon, Allison Amaro

March 8: William Stoddard

Sunday March 3, 2024

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:00 am

*SCRIPTURE LESSONPsalm 19:1-6, 14
SERMONJesus on Ski PatrolRev. Vernon

Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP

CHILDREN'S SERMONCeleste Vernon

*OFFERING

*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.**

*SCRIPTUREPsalm 19:1-6, 14
SERMONJesus on Ski PatrolRev. 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: Will Bundrick - video; Miller Kate Morgan - streaming;

Amy and Davis Amaro - audio;

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED!

We have April covered thanks to Matt Sanders. Sunday, March 3 is Meet and Greet.

So we need teachers for March 10, 24, and 31. Please let Rev. Vernon know if you can teach one or more of these Sundays.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...ADRIENNE

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

- Acolytes: Levi Bundrick and William Stoddard
- Buckets: Reed Carter and Colson Duncan

SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, March 27 at 6:30 pm following Wednesday night supper. *Please bring filled eggs for the egg hunt. You can leave them in the nursery or upstairs supply room.

VBS: July 7-10

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...SAM

- Back on regular schedule
- Sundays 5:00 - 6:00 pm
- Wednesdays 6:30 - 7:30 pm
- On Sunday March 3, youth will go to Meet and Greet instead of Youth Sunday School

Sunday March 3, 2024

Traditional – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Ed Self
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross - Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Vernon

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHThe Apostles' CreedNo. 881

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 301
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Vernon

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
My Song Is Love Unknown - Wood

*DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSICChancel Choir
Jehovah's Throne - Clokey

*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 LESSONPsalm 19:1-6, 14

SERMONJesus on Ski PatrolRev. Vernon

*HYMN OF RESPONSENo. 467
Trust and Obey

*BENEDICTIONRev. Vernon

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
O Sacred Head, Now Wounded - Pachelbel

+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: Hope Almon, Kathy Higginbotham; **Ushers:** Herbert Wind, Dale Helms

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

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LAITY COUNCIL:

Meets Monday, March 18. All church members are welcome and invited to any Laity Council meeting. However if you are not a member of the Council and would like to present something for discussion or a vote, please contact Justin Amaro (Chair) or Ruth Sims (Secretary) at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting so we will know where to put it on the agenda.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE:

At their January meeting, the Finance committee voted to form a 2024 Stewardship Committee. This committee will start meeting in April and will be charged with designing our 2024 Fall Stewardship Campaign. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please let Rev. Vernon know.

LOCAL MISSION PROJECT:

We are collecting items for Archbold Living (new nursing home attached to the hospital). The list includes: Books for their library, Body Washes, Lotions, Shampoo, Blankets, Socks, Tooth Paste and Toothbrushes, Pajama pants with drawstring

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Let us know if your child or children would prefer a hotdog.

Reservations need to be made by Monday noon in order that food can be purchased.

Menu: Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli Casserole, Biscuits, Salad
Week March 6 _____ **Permanent** _____

Name _____

No. of Adults _____ @ 6.00/person

No. children (3-11) _____ @ 3.50 /person

Directory

Sam Vernon*Pastor*
Ruth Sims*Adm. Assistant*
Adrienne Harrison . . .*Children's Director*
Jeremy Moore*Music Director*
Ed Self*Organist*
Brian and Stacey Morgan
.....*Contemporary Worship Leaders*
Ashlei Steele*Preschool Director*
Sam Vernon*Interim Youth Director*
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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!