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Worship God
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Bless the World



CAIRO FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

(1867-2024) – Celebrating Our 157th Year

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Rev. Sam Vernon, Pastor

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday, March 24th

- 8 am, 9 am, and 11 am Worship
- 5 pm Children's Ministry
- 5 pm Youth Ministry
- 5 pm Last Ladies' Discipleship Group (Until Fall)
- 6:30 pm Men's Discipleship Group

Wednesday, March 27th

- 6 pm Supper
- Easter Egg Hunt after Supper - No Youth Group

Maundy Thursday, March 28th

- 6 pm Maundy Thursday Communion in Sanctuary
(Please see inside panel for more info)

Good Friday, March 29th

- Prayer Chapel open from 7 am - Noon
for "Come and Go" Prayer

Easter Sunday, March 31st

- 8 am, 9 am, and 11 am Worship
- No Children's Ministry or Youth Group
- No Men's Discipleship Group

*All Sunday School Classes (Children's, Youth and Adults)
will meet both Sundays

"For He is risen. He has risen indeed!"

In Christ,

Sam

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

**LT. COL. (RET.)
RAYMOND D. BUTLER**

By: Mrs. Anne Richter
Peg Thomas

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.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION
MARCH 28:**

Join us at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary. You will have the opportunity to receive communion at the place of the Disciple that you most identify with. There will be childcare for all children three and under.

**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:
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 24** - Palm Sunday
- MARCH 27** - Easter Egg Hunt following supper
- MARCH 28** - 6:00 pm - Maundy Thursday Service
- MARCH 31** - Easter Sunday
- APRIL 15 - 6:00 pm** - Laity Council
- APRIL 18** - Missions Committee
- APRIL 21** - One Worship Service followed by Covered-dish Meal
- APRIL 27** - Church Workday

**CHURCH-WIDE WORK DAY
(APRIL 27TH):**

Our Trustees are working to organize different tasks for the Work Day. There will be inside and outside work to be done. More info to come, but please put this on your calendars.

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

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

Bring these items to the Church Office and either leave them with Ruth or leave them in a bag marked "Archbold". The Missions Committee will collect and deliver them.



Week of **Mar. 24-30**
2024



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, March 24:

8:00 am	Early Worship
9:00 am	† Contemporary Worship
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	† Traditional Worship
5:00 pm	Children/Youth Activities
	Ladies' Discipleship Group
6:30 pm	Men's Discipleship Group

Monday, March 25:

12:00 noon	Redeeming Life
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Tuesday, March 26:

8:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
10:00 am	Ladies' Prayer Group
12:00 noon	First Baptist

Wednesday, March 27:

6:00 am	Men's Discipleship Group
12:00 noon	Family Worship
5:00 pm	Handbells
6:00 pm	Meal
	Followed by Easter Egg Hunt
6:45 pm	Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 28:

8:30 am	Service on CNS Channel 6
12:00 noon	Presbyterian
6:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, March 29:

12:00 noon	Eastside Baptist
2:00 pm	Service on CNS Channel 6
9:00 pm	Service on CNS Channel 6

† Live streaming

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 3/17/24

Weekly needs\$9,793.00
Received week of 3/10	..\$5,470.00
Memorial/In Honor\$110.00
Missions\$0.00
Bucket Brigade\$82.93

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**.

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

CAMILLA, GA

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

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

LEGACY VILLAGE, THOMASVILLE, GA:

Mrs. Catherine Wood (Mother of Becky Hopkins)
Mr. Rusty Wood (Brother of Becky Hopkins)

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 24: Robyn Long, Stanaland
Juliane Stone

March 25: Nicki Avery

March 26: Louise Anderson,
Katie Higdon, Jerome Martin

March 27: Sharon Moses

March 28: Thatcher Burke, Max White

Sunday March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:00 am

*SCRIPTURE LESSONLuke 19:28-44

SERMONWhat Causes People to Lose Faith in Jesus ...Rev. Vernon

Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP

CHILDREN'S SERMONStacey Morgan

*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.**

*SCRIPTURELuke 19:28-44

SERMONWhat Causes People to Lose Faith in Jesus ...Rev. 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: Nathan Hartsell - video; Miller Kate Morgan - streaming;

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...**ADRIENNE**

email: abharrison1@hotmail.com

text: 229-254-2546

- Acolytes: Reagan Hartsell and Hadley Rea Morgan
- Buckets: Colson Duncan and Amelia Jones

Easter Egg Hunt - March 27 after Wednesday Night Supper

No Sunday Night Activities March 31-April 14.

We will resume Sunday Nights on April 21.

VBS: July 7-10

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...**SAM**

- No youth the next two Sundays, March 31st and April 7th
No youth the next 2 Wednesday nights, March 27th and April 3rd
- No Youth Easter Sunday Night
- We will always have Sunday School every Sunday unless Church
was ever cancelled for a weather emergency.

Sunday March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

Traditional – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Ed Self
Fanfare - Purvis

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Vernon

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHI CorinthiansNo. 888

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 292
What Wondrous Love Is This

OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Vernon

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
O Sacred Head, Now Wounded - Bach

*DOXOLOGY

TIME OF PRAYER AT THE ALTAR

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSICChancel Choir
Let The King Come In! - Lloyd Larson

*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 LESSONLuke 19:28-44

SERMONWhat Causes People to Lose Faith in JesusRev. Vernon

*HYMN OF RESPONSENo. 298
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

*BENEDICTIONRev. Vernon

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
Christ Lay in Death's Dark Prison - Bach

+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

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.

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COMMUNITY HOLY WEEK SERVICES:

Will be held this coming week at 12:00 noon each day.

Monday – Redeeming Life

Tuesday – First Baptist

Wednesday – Family Worship

Thursday – Presbyterian

Friday – Eastside Baptist

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.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Please call the church office, 377-3051, email to adm.cairofum@syrupcity.net, text 229-403-0428 or place this form in the offering plate on Sunday to make reservations for the meal.

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.

Week March 27 _____ **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*

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!