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CAIRO FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

(1867-2024) – Celebrating Our 157th Year

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A TASTE OF THOMASVILLE

So a couple of weeks ago Celeste and I were able to go on the “Taste of Thomasville” Food Tour. My wife has a much more cultured palate than I do so I knew she was going to have a blast and she did.



However since I am a picky eater, we were both concerned about whether the awesome food would be wasted on me. I vowed to try some new things and I did. For the first time in my life I ate Shrimp ‘n Grits (Jonah’s) and they were awesome. I also tried cold brewed coffee (Grassroots) for the first and last time. Yuck! How do people do that?

In a spirit of Full Disclosure I just could not muster the courage to eat Cajun Crab Bites (George and Louie’s), but the Greek Salad was delicious. Predictably my favorite eating place was A.J. Moonspin where for my first time ever I had Vidalia onions on a pizza (“off the chain” as the young folks say).

As great as the food was, the thing that Celeste and I were most impressed with was our Tour Guide. She was friendly, funny and full of information about the history of Thomasville and many of the downtown sights and shops. As one who speaks for a living, I am always impressed with someone who has “command of their material” like our Tour Guide did. By the way you may have heard of her, Debra Smith of Cairo First Methodist Church. Many of you know Debra founded the Tour and with the help of Debbie Godbehere (also from our church) started the Tour years ago. Year in, Year Out, the “Taste of Thomasville” Food Tour is one of the most highly rated Food Tours in the nation.

Come to think of it, that is a pretty good formula for Food Tours and Evangelism:

- Love what you are talking about **(Jesus)**
- Command of Your Material **(Bible)**
- Care about Your Audience **(The Lost)**
- Deliver with Enthusiasm and Love **(Our Witness)**

Thanks Debra and Debbie for not only representing Thomasville well, but also representing our Church and our Lord well!

In Christ,

Sam

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

The pastor and members of Cairo First Methodist Church extend their deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Randy Wind and family in the death of her mother, **MRS. LYNELLE CHANCE**, St. Simons Island, GA.

SPECIAL THANKS:

To all who participated in our combined worship service and covered-dish meal this past Sunday.

Thanks to those who helped with food set up, serving and cleanup. Your help was very much appreciated.

And everyone’s food was delicious!

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.

There will be child care for small children.

CHURCH YARD SALE- MAY 4TH

The Missions Committee is sponsoring a yard sale on Saturday, May 4. All church members are welcome to donate items for the sale (no clothing or large furniture). Drop off times for donated items are Sunday, April 28 from 9 -12 and Friday, May 3, from 4 - 6 pm. See the flyer in the Sunday School rooms for more information or contact Jarrett Harrison at 229- 977-4212.

Or individuals can work their own booth for a donation of \$25 and keep the proceeds themselves.

When: Saturday, May 4th – 7-11 am

What: We are accepting anything you offer for sale **except clothing and furniture**

Proceeds: To Cairo First Methodist Missions Account

Drop Off: Please contact Jarrett Harrison (229- 977-4212) or Bradley Jones (229-378-0543)

GRADUATION SUNDAY:

Is May 5th. Honoring our students who are graduating from High School.

APRIL/MAY UPCOMING DATES TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR:

APRIL 27 - Church Workday

May 2 - National Day of Prayer

May 4 - 7:00-11:00 Church Yard Sale

May 5 - Graduation Sunday

May 6 - WinGS Meeting

MAY 13 - 7:00 pm - Methodist Men

MAY 14 - 6:00 pm - Trustees

MAY 20 - 6:00 pm - Laity Council

MAY 26 - One Combined Service at 11:00 am

MAY 27 - Memorial Day - Office Closed

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.

FLOWER CALENDAR:

The flower calendar for 2024 has been placed on the bulletin board in the downstairs hallway. Please sign up for flowers for 2024. And remember that two arrangements are needed.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

MAY 2ND:

7 am - 7 pm in the Chapel. You have 2 options:

1. Sign up for one of the 30 minute time slots. Sign up sheets at each worship service.
2. “Come and Go” prayer where you come pray for 5 minutes or any amount of time without having to sign up in a time slot



Week of **Apr. 28-May 4**
2024



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, April 28:

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

Monday, April 29:

No Activities

Tuesday, April 30:

8:30 am	Men's Prayer Group
10:00 am	Ladies' Prayer Group

Wednesday, May 1:

6:00 am	Men's Discipleship Group
5:00 pm	Handbells
6:45 pm	Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 2:

8:30 am	Service on CNS Channel 6
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Friday, May 3:

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

† Live streaming

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
 Mrs. Lauren Harrell
 Mr. Bob Jones
 Mrs. Lisa LeGette
 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

April 30: Seth Hurst

May 1: Mary Meill

May 2: Tim White

May 3: Will Bundrick

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 4/21/24

Weekly needs	\$9,793.00
Weekly Receipts	\$15,505.00
Memorial/In Honor	\$00.00
Missions	\$20.00
Bucket Brigade	\$14.05

BUCKET BRIGADE:

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

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

Sunday April 28, 2024

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:00 am

*SCRIPTURE LESSONMatthew 3:13-17
SERMONThe Baptism of JesusRev. Vernon

Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM — THEO JAMES STODDARD

*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.**

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THOSE WHO SERVE: 9:00 AM: SS Greeters/Ushers: **Robert Hudson, Jarrett Harrison;**
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: Cate Hopkins and Betts Harrison
- Buckets: Tilden Morgan

Sunday Night Activities this week at 5:00 p.m.

VBS planning meeting - May 5 at 5:00 p.m. If you’re interested in volunteering, please join us!

YOUTH MINISTRY

- Sunday nights resume this week at 5:00 p.m.
- Youth Cake Auction and Bake Sale - May 12 from 8:30 - 10:45 a.m. in the Fellowship. Come support our youth while purchasing a delicious dessert for your Mother’s Day celebration.

SUMMER KICK OFF: SUNDAY, JUNE 2 AT 5:00 P.M. AT THE YOUTH HOUSE. BRING A FRIEND!

Sunday April 28, 2024

Traditional Service – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Ed Self
Pax Vobiscum (Peace Be with You) - Purvis

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Vernon

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHI TimothyNo. 889

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 62
All Creatures of Our God and King

OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Vernon

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
Miles Lane - Willan

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEMChancel Choir
Because He Lives - Gaither

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SERMONThe Baptism of JesusRev. Vernon

*HYMN OF RESPONSENo. 585
This Little Light of Mine

POSTLUDEMr. Self
Toccatina on "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" - Fedak

*BENEDICTIONRev. Vernon

+After the Benediction, you are dismissed
or feel free to remain in the sanctuary and enjoy the Postlude

* Please stand as you are able.

Altar Guild: Ruth Sims; **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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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+)

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION:

March 11 Open Registration

Please remember all spots are filled on a 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.

IS YOUR GIVING UP TO DATE:

Summer is almost here. Before you take off and enjoy your time, please check your giving to your Church.

We also want to make sure each person's contributions are posted, so if you put a cash offering in an unmarked envelope, please put your name on the outside or inside so we can post for your tax purposes.

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*
- 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!