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Worship God  
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Build Community  
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## CAIRO FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

*(1867-2024) – Celebrating Our 157th Year*

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# Thank You Church!

I know April and May have been jam packed with events and opportunities for service, but there was a lot to do before we started to scatter for the summer.

- Thanks for working so hard at the Trustees Work Day!
- Thanks for all the great food you prepared for the April Covered Dish!
- Thanks for praying for your country on the National Day of Prayer!
- Thanks for raising \$1,300 through your hard work and participation in the Missions Yard Sale!
- Thanks for supporting the youth with their Bake Sale with proceeds of \$1050.
- Thanks for those of you who are already participating in the Baby Bottle Boomerang for First Option Care!

Thanks for being Christ's hands and feet!

"Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourself fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."

I Corinthians 15:58

In Christ,

*Sam*

**ALTAR FLOWERS:**

The flowers on the altar today are placed there in loving memory of **MRS. KAYE HELMS**  
By: Dale Helms and family

**MEMORIALS:**

A memorial has been given to the church in loving memory of **MR. DAVID SINGLETARY**  
By: Ms. Peg Thomas

**REV. VERNON AWAY:**

The Vernons will be on family vacation May 15th - 22nd in St. Petersburg, FL. In case of emergency, you can call him directly (912) 230-6627 or contact him through Ruth Sims in the Church Office.

**REV. RONNIE WILLS TO PREACH MAY 19TH:**

On Sunday, May 19th, Rev. Wills will preach at the 9:00 am and 11:00 am services.  
Howard Thrower will preach the 8:00 am service.

**WELCOME REV. RONNIE WILLS!**

Ronnie is a Retired Elder of the South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church. He began his ministry in 1966. Rev. Wills served 10 different churches in South Georgia including Quitman, Swainsboro First, Moultrie First and Thomasville First (2011-15). Ronnie also served for eight years as the Americus District Superintendent.  
So today we welcome Ronnie and Carmine Wills to worship and although Rev. Wills has had a very accomplished career in the ministry, his greatest claim to fame is that he is Stacey Morgan's father.

**SUNDAY, MAY 26TH:**

Join us at 11:00 am for this patriotic service. The Morgans will lead our music and Brian Morgan will deliver the message.

**LAITY COUNCIL:**

Is scheduled to meet on Monday, May 20, at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall.

**FIRST OPTION CARE BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG:**

Pick up an empty baby bottle from the church and fill with coins, cash or a check. The donations will go to First Option Care for assistance with young mothers.  
Please return to the church on or before June 16th.

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

- MAY 20** - 6:00 pm - Laity Council
- MAY 26** - One 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.



Week of **May 19-25**  
2024



## Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

### Sunday, May 19:

8:00 am Worship

9:00 am †Contemporary Worship

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am †Traditional Worship

### Monday, May 20:

6:00 pm Laity Council

### Tuesday, May 21:

8:30 am Men's Prayer Group

10:00 am Ladies' Prayer Group

### Wednesday, May 22:

6:45 pm Chancel Choir

### Thursday, May 23:

8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6

### Friday, May 24:

2:00 pm Service on CNS Channel 6

9:00 pm Service on CNS Channel 6

† Live streaming

### 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.

### AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 5/12/24

Weekly needs . . . . .	\$9,793.00
Weekly Receipts . . . . .	\$4,290.00
Memorial/In Honor . . . . .	\$35.00
Missions . . . . .	\$75.00
Bucket Brigade . . . . .	\$64.36

### BUCKET BRIGADE:

The bucket brigade offerings (loose change in buckets) goes to mission projects that the church sponsors throughout the year. The offering for **May** will go to the **1st Option Care**.

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

Mrs. Lauren Harrell

Mr. Bob Jones

Mrs. Lisa LeGette

Mr. Howell McKinnon and Mrs. Eleanor McKinnon

Mrs. Faye Miller

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. Barbara Spooner (Mother of Ron Spooner)

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)

#### RESIDENCE INN AT THE OAKS, THOMASVILLE, GA

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

**May 21:** Blair Davis, Kathy Higginbotham

**May 22:** Jana Simmons

**May 23:** Kellie Bishop, Seth Stanaland

**May 25:** Walker Elchenko, Cuy Harrell, IV,  
Joye Sandefur

Sunday May 19, 2024

**Traditional Informal – Chapel**

**8:00 am**

\*SCRIPTURE LESSON .....  
SERMON .....Mr. Howard Thrower

**Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)**

**9:00 am**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP

CHILDREN’S SERMON .....Adrienne Harrison

\*OFFERING

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER .....Brian Morgan

\*AFFIRMATION OF GOD’S WORD .....Rev. Ronnie Wills

**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 .....Genesis 3:1-10

SERMON .....Rev. Wills

**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; **Jarrett Harrison** - Streaming

**Hadley Rae Morgan** - Audio

**CHILDREN’S MINISTRY**

**NEWS FROM...ADRIENNE**

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

- Acolytes: Corbin Knight and Fletcher Knight
- Buckets: Theo Stoddard and Brecken Sanders

**VBS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**

visit <https://cairofirst.myanswers.com/vbs2024> to register kids and to sign up to volunteer!!

Summer dates:

Camp Victory: June 3-7

VBS: July 7-10

Wild Adventures Family Day: July 20 (Wild Adventures + For King and Country Concert)

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

- Summer Kick Off: Sunday, June 2 at 5:00 p.m. at the Youth House. Bring a friend!

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARY . . . . .Mr. Ed Self  
*Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire - Kosche*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS . . . . .Jeremy Moore

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH . . . . .Modern Affirmation . . . . .No. 885

\*HYMN OF PRAISE . . . . .No. 144  
*This is My Father’s World*

OFFERTORY PRAYER . . . . .Jeremy Moore

OFFERING

OFFERTORY . . . . .Mr. Self

DOXOLOGY

*Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart - Jordan*

PRAYER for the Church AND LORD’S PRAYER . . . . .Jeremy Moore

ANTHEM . . . . .FMC Chancel Choir  
*On The Day of Pentecost - Nolan*

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER . . . . .Jeremy Moore

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\*SCRIPTURE LESSON . . . . .Genesis 3:1-10

SERMON . . . . .The Rest of the Story . . . . .Rev. Wills

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE . . . . .No. 473  
*Lead Me, Lord - Two times through*

\*BENEDICTION . . . . .Rev. Wills

\*POSTLUDE . . . . .Mr. Self  
*Voluntary - Stokes*

+After the Benediction, you are dismissed  
or feel free to remain in the sanctuary and enjoy the Postlude  
\* Please stand as you are able.

**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.

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**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**

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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!*