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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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Football in August?

At my last church in Brunswick, I could look out my office window and watch the Brunswick Pirates' football practices. Brunswick High School was right across the street and the practice fields were adjacent to the school. There were days it was so hot in July and August that I did not even want to venture outside, much less be a high school football player practicing in that heat.

Well guess what Brunswick High? It's even hotter here in Cairo and the humidity is much worse. Most High Schools in South Georgia will open their season this Friday night August 16th. Cairo does not open until Friday, August 23rd, at Thomas County Central.

People often ask "Why do they have to start playing so early in this heat?" Good question, but when you take into account the Georgia High School Association (GHSA) has to schedule a 10-game season with an offweek in there and try to get the season completed before December Exams, there is not a lot of wiggle room.

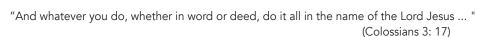
So, we have just concluded the Olympics and even non-sports fans admire the commitment of the Olympic athlete to sacrifice, train, suffer and prepare for the competition. However, let's not forget right here in our own backyard, our football players, softball players, baseball players and athletes of all ages are battling

the heat, fatigue, injuries and all manner of distractions themselves. Thank you student athletes for showing us what commitment looks like. Here's praying for a successful and safe year for our area athletes, coaches, band members, cheerleaders and fans! Hydrate, pray and then pray some more.

In Christ,



High School Football Fan



ALTAR FLOWERS:

The flowers on the altar today are placed there by Mr. Kenneth (Smiley) Gale in loving memory of

MRS. SHIRLEY MAXWELL GALE

LAITY COUNCIL:

Is scheduled to meet Monday, August 19, 2024, at 6:00 pm in the small fellowship hall.

Jarrett Harrison has been named the interim Laity Council Chair for the remainder of 2024.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND SCHEDULE:

Sunday, September 1, we will just have one service at 11:00 am. Communion will be served. Brian and Stacey Morgan will lead our music. The Church Office will be closed Monday, September 2.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS:

Will return September 18th!

LOOKING AHEAD:

August 19 - 6:00 pm **Laity Council Meeting**

August 25 - 6:00 pm **Men's Discipleship Reunion**

September 1 - **One Worship Service** at 11:00 am

September 2 - Church Office Closed

September 9 - **Methodist Men** at 7:00 pm

September 15 - Laity-led Global

Methodist Service in

Colquitt (Time to be announced) This will be a great opportunity to worship, meet some other Global

Methodists and find out more about our new denomination.

Rev. Vernon can take 5 in his vehicle so let him know if you would like to attend.

FAN DRIVE:

The Pairs and Spares SS Class members are sponsoring a "Fan Drive" for those in need. Donations of \$25 per fan are needed for a 20" box fan.

Donations will be accepted from now until Sunday, August 25. Thanks for you donation(s)!

IS YOUR GIVING UP TO DATE:

Church bills arrive each month the same as at your home. Checks can be mailed or brought to the church office.

Or you have the option of ON-LINE giving. Just remember that giving online, there is a service charge.

If you put cash in an envelope, please include your name so that correct posting can be don in the office so that you get credit for your giving.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE PADS:

Please sign in each Sunday. Visitors, if you would like to be on the Weekly Bulletin mailing list, please indicate that as well.

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.

DISCIPLESHIP REUNION GROUP: AUGUST 25TH:

If you have been in one of the Men's Discipleship Groups, you should have received a letter about this. Please let Sam know if you did not get a letter.

When: Sunday, August 25th, 6:00 p.m.

Where: Small Fellowship Hall

What: Time of Fellowship,

Encouragement and Strategizing for the Fall

Food: Pizza and Beverages

Who Should Come: Any of our men who have been in one of our Discipleship Groups

RSVP: Please let Sam know by Sunday morning, August 25th

How long: We will be through by 7:30 p.m.



Week of **Aug. 18-24 2024**

Sunday,	August	18:

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8:00 am	Early Worship
9:00 am	Contemporary Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	†Traditional Worship
5:00 pm	Youth

Monday, August 19:

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Tuesday, August 20:

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

Wednesday, August 21:

6:30 pm	Chancel Choir
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Thursday, August 22:

8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6

Friday, August 23:

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

† Live streaming



August 18: Sandra Clark
August 19: Diane Bishop,

Wade Huzniker

August 20: Opal Anderson,

Judy Whitfield

August 21: Cate Hopkins, Diane Jones

August 22: Peyton Elrod August 23: Charles Manny, Macy Thrower

August 24: Irven Singletary

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 8/11/24

Attendance	126
Weekly needs	\$9,793.00
Weekly Receipts	.\$7,295.00
Memorial/In Honor	\$00.00
Missions	\$150.00
Bucket Brigade	\$35.00

BUCKET BRIGADE:

The Bucket brigade offerings (loose change in buckets) goes to mission projects that the church sponsors throughout the year. The offering for **AUGUST** will go to Back Pack Ministry.



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

TALLAHASSEE, FL:

Mr. Prentiss and Mrs. Patricia Mitchell

CAMILLA, GA:

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

PELHAM:

Mr. Phillip Almon

AT HOME:

Mr. Ray Butler

Mr. David and Mrs. Catherine Elkins

Mrs. Barbara Garcia

Mrs. Lauren Harrell

Mr. Bob Jones

Mrs. Lisa LeGette

Mr. Howell and Mrs. Eleanor McKinnon

Mrs. Faye Miller

Mrs. Carolyn Stafford

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

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:

ARCHBOLD LIVING, CAIRO:

Mrs. Mary Meill

Mr. John Summers (Father of Clair McCaskill)

MAGNOLIA PLACE:

Mrs. Joan Cassels

Mrs. Dot Moses James

Mrs. Nell Mitchell

Mrs. Janet Murphy

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

PRESBYTERIAN HOME, QUITMAN, GA:

Mrs. Opal Prince

LA MESA, CA:

Ike & Charlene Powell

BRENTWOOD, TN:

Dr. Bob Kral

Traditional Informal - Chapel

8:00 am

Contemporary - Sanctuary (Livestream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Registration of Attendance)

WORSHIP

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*OFFERING

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.

THOSE WHO SERVE: 9:00 AM: SS Greeters/Ushers: Adam Clark;

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

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

Hadley Rae Morgan - audio;

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...ADRIENNE

email: abharrison1@hotmail.com

text: 229-254-2546

Children's Sermon: Celeste Vernon

Acolytes: Carroll Hopkins and Cate Hopkins Buckets: Brinson Hopkins and Brecken Sanders

We need small bottles of water!

Sunday Nights resume September 8 at 5:00 p.m. We will be starting the New Testament!

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...KELSEY

email: westkelsey09@gmail.com

cell/text: (229) 413-3561

 SEE YOU AT SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 10:00 AM EACH WEEK AND AT 5:00 PM FOR SUNDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

Traditional Service – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY
OPENING VOLUNTARY
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Modern Affirmation No. 885
*HYMN OF PRAISE
OFFERTORY PRAYER
OFFERING
OFFERTORY
*DOXOLOGY
PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER
SPECIAL MUSIC
*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 LESSON
SERMON
*HYMN OF RESPONSE
*BENEDICTION
*POSTLUDE
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* Please stand as you are able.

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

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.

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+)

WELCOME:

When we have persons in worship that you do not know, make sure that you introduce yourself to them and welcome them to worship.

Also, if you know of neighbors, friends or co-workers that are not involved in a church, invite them to come to Cairo First Methodist Church.

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.

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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!