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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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📍 Cairo First Church ☎ Upper Room Prayer Line 1-800-251-2468



## MEN AND WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS Starting Sunday, February 23rd

### WOMEN'S GROUP

- Stacey Morgan will lead this group on Sunday nights from 5:00 - 6:30 pm

### MEN'S GROUPS

- Rev. Vernon will lead the Sunday night group from 5:00 - 6:30 pm on Sundays.
- Jarrett Harrison will lead the early morning weekday group.

The sooner you let Stacey, Sam or Jarrett know you would like to be in their group, the easier it is for them to plan. You can also sign up at worship services.

Format: 50 percent of the group time is spent discussing Scriptures and book the group is reading. The other 50 percent of the group is going over our individual accountability goals.

All groups will be over by Sunday, May 4th.

In Christ,

*Sam*

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:**

The pastor and members of Cairo First Methodist Church extend their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of **DR. ROBERT KRAL.**

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**LOOKING AHEAD:**

January 27 - 6:00 pm - Laity Council

February 2 - Leadership Installation

February 3 - 6:00 pm - Wings

February 20 - **Order deadline for Wesley Glen Aux. Strawberry Sales**

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**OFFERING ENVELOPES:**

For the 9:00 am and 11:00 am worship congregations, can be found on the table in the downstairs hallway of the main building.

If you do not find a box with your name and you wish to make your contributions in that manner, please contact Ruth Sims in the Church Office.

**LAITY COUNCIL:**

Is scheduled to meet Monday, January 27, at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall.

**WESLEY GLEN STRAWBERRY SALE:**

Orders will be taken through February 20 for \$22 per flat. Preorder by signing up on the sheet in Sunday school classrooms or call the church office.

**LEADERSHIP INSTALLATION SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 2, 2025):**

We will recognize our new 2025 Leaders at all three worship services. We are asking all our Leaders of the Laity Council, Committees and other designated Leaders to be present at the front end of the 11:00 am service so we can pray for you and install you with the Leadership vows.

**CHURCH-WIDE BOOK STUDY:**

**January 26 - March 26**

**6:45 pm in the Chapel**

**How do I get a book?**

We only have about 20 left. They are \$5. Available at each worship service and at Wednesday night supper. You can also order one off of Amazon. Make sure you get the version with 31 chapters.

**How can I participate?**

1. Wednesday night Bible Study. Starting January 29th, we will feature "The Screwtape Letters" for 9 consecutive Wednesdays in our Bible Study.

2. Read along on your own. Purchase a book and read on your own with or without the discussion questions.

**Discussion Questions** will be available the Sunday before each Wednesday night study.

This Wednesday, January 29th, we will do Chapters 1 - 3.

**FLOWER CALENDAR:**

The flower calendar for **2025** is on the bulletin board in the downstairs hallway. Please sign up for flowers for **2025**. And remember that two arrangements are needed.

**WINGS:**

Will meet Monday, February 3, at 6:00 pm. All ladies of the church are invited to come and bring a covered dish to share.

**COLLEGE STUDENT ADDRESSES:**

If you would like for your college student to receive a Valentine box, we will need their correct mailing address in the church office by Monday, February 10.

Packages will be mailed on February 11 and items will be needed. Suggestions are individually wrapped packages of cookies, candy, snacks, homemade cookies, brownies, etc.



Week of **Jan. 26-Feb.1**  
2025



## Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

### Sunday, January 26:

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

### Monday, January 27:

6:00 pm	Laity Council
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### Tuesday, January 28:

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

### Wednesday, January 29:

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

### Thursday, January 30:

8:30 am	Service on CNS Channel 6
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### Friday, January 31:

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

† Live streaming

### TALLAHASSEE, FL:

Mr. Prentiss Mitchell

### AT HOME:

- Mr. Ray Butler
- Mr. David and Mrs. Catherine Elkins
- Mr. Smiley Gale**
- Mrs. Barbara Garcia
- Mrs. Betty Hester
- Mr. Mark Lee
- Mrs. Lisa LeGette
- Mr. Jerome Martin
- Mr. Howell and Mrs. Eleanor McKinnon
- Mrs. Faye Miller
- Mr. Herbert W. and Mrs. Mary Wind

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

### NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:

#### ARCHBOLD LIVING, CAIRO:

- Mr. Philip Almon
- Mrs. Mary Meill
- Mr. John Summers (Father of Clair McCaskill)

#### MAGNOLIA PLACE:

- Mrs. Joan Cassels
- Mrs. Dot Moses James
- Mrs. Wynell 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

### AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 1/19/25

Weekly Needs . . . . .	\$8,853.00
Weekly Receipts . . . . .	\$6,210.00
Memorial/In Honor . . . . .	\$25.00
Missions . . . . .	\$45.00
Bucket Brigade . . . . .	\$48.75

### BUCKET BRIGADE:

The Bucket brigade offerings (loose change in buckets) goes to mission projects that the church sponsors throughout the year. The offering for **January** will go to the College/University Campus Ministry.

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



## Birthday Greetings

**January 26:** Gayle Martin

**January 28:** Tommy Rosser

Sunday January 26, 2025

**Traditional Informal – Chapel**

**8:00 am**

\*Scripture Lesson ..... I Peter 5:6-11  
Sermon .....Spiritual Battle 101 .....Rev. Vernon

**Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)**

**9:00 am**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Registration of Attendance)

Worship

Offering

Children’s Sermon

\*Affirmation of God’s Word .....Rev. Vernon

**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 ..... I Peter 5:6-11

Sermon .....Spiritual Battle 101 .....Rev. Vernon

\* Please stand as you are able.

**THOSE WHO SERVE: 9:00 AM:** SS Greeters/Ushers: **Bradley Jones, Seth Stanaland;**

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

**Tech:** **Rebecca McKemie - video; Hadley Rae Morgan - streaming;**

**CHILDREN’S MINISTRY**

**NEWS FROM...ADRIENNE**

email: [abharrison1@hotmail.com](mailto:abharrison1@hotmail.com)

text: 229-254-2546

Children’s Sermon: Stacey Morgan

Acolytes: Bret Sanders and Nolan Duncan

Buckets: Tilden Morgan and Colson Duncan

- Sunday Nights resume on Sunday, January 26!!
- We are in need of juice boxes for our toddlers.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**NEWS FROM...KELSEY**

email: [westkelsey09@gmail.com](mailto:westkelsey09@gmail.com)

cell/text: (229) 413-3561

- **JANUARY 26 -10:00 - 11:00 am** - Sunday School

Wednesday Night Activities Are Back In Full Swing.

- **FEBRUARY 14-17** - Snowbird Youth Winter Retreat

- **SUPER BOWL PARTY - FEBRUARY 9, 5:45** - halftime.

Bring a friend! Games, prizes, football, commercials,  
food and fellowship at the Youth House!

- **MFUGE DEPOSIT** of \$75.00 is due in February

Any student who is interested in going to MFuge in June, please see Kelsey to sign up.

Sunday January 26, 2025

**Traditional Worship – Sanctuary (Livestream)**

**11:00 am**

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARY .....Mr. Ed Self  
*Prayer from "Suite Gothique" - Boellmann*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS .....Rev. Sam Vernon

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH .....Romans 8 .....No. 887

\*HYMN OF PRAISE .....No. 545  
*The Church's One Foundation*

OFFERTORY PRAYER .....Rev. Vernon

OFFERING

OFFERTORY .....Mr. Self  
*Thou Hidden Source of Calm Repose - Christiansen*

\*DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER .....Rev. Vernon

SPECIAL MUSIC .....  
*Come Unto Me All Ye That Labor and Are Heavy Laden - Willan*

AFFIRMATION OF GOD'S WORD .....Rev. Vernon

**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 .....I Peter 5:6-11

SERMON .....Spiritual Battle 101 .....Rev. Vernon

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE .....No. 395  
*Take Time to Be Holy*

\*BENEDICTION .....Rev. Vernon

+POSTLUDE .....Mr. Self  
*Postlude - Smart*

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

\* Please stand as you are able.

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**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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**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.

**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.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS RESUME**

Please make your reservations for the meal by calling the church, sending a text to 229-403-0428, email to [adm.cairofum@syrupcity.net](mailto:adm.cairofum@syrupcity.net) or filling out the form below.

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

If you do not have a permanent reservations, then reservations must be made by Monday noon in order that food can be purchased.

**Week Jan. 29** \_\_\_\_\_ **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
- Kelsey West . . . . .Youth 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!*