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Worship God
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CAIRO FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

(1867-2025) – Celebrating Our 158th Year

318 South Broad Street • Cairo, Georgia 39828-2717

Rev. Sam Vernon, Pastor

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

FAT TUESDAY / ASH WEDNESDAY

Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper

6:00 pm, March 4

Join us for pancakes and sausage/ham in the Fellowship Hall. There is no charge for the meal. Reservations still help us plan, but they are not necessary. The Cairo High School Jazz Band will entertain us after we eat.



Ash Wednesday Morning Crosses

6:00 - 9:00 am, March 5

If you would like to wear your Ashen Cross on your forehead all day, Rev. Vernon will be in the Sanctuary from 6:00 - 9:00 am to place the Ashen Cross on your forehead. You can be in and out in less than 5 minutes. Enter church through main sanctuary door or 3rd Avenue side entrance.



Ash Wednesday Service

6:00 pm, March 5

Service will be less than an hour and Rev. Vernon will preach. At the end of the service, you will have the opportunity to come to the altar and receive an Ashen Cross.

No Nursery Tuesday night, but there will be a nursery for three-year olds and under on Wednesday night.



Ash

WEDNESDAY

In Christ,

Sam

ROSEBUD ON THE ALTAR:

The rosebud on the altar today is to announce the arrival of Ezra Thomas Thrower born February 20, 2025 to bless the home of Nick and Dani Thrower, Statesboro, GA.

Proud grandparents are Howard and Frances Thrower.

WINGS

Will meet Monday, March 3, at 6:00 pm in the fellowship. All ladies are invited to bring a covered dish and join the group.

BLOODMOBILE:

Will be in our parking lot on Sunday, March 2, from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. Please visit the Bloodmobile that day and give the gift of life!

LOOKING AHEAD:

March 2 - **Bloodmobile on Site**

March 3 - **6:00 pm - Wings**

March 4 - **6:00 pm - Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper**

March 5 - **6:00 – 9:00 am – Sanctuary, Ash Placement on Forehead**

March 5 - **6:00 pm - Ash Wednesday Service (No Meal that night!)**

March 6 - **Missions Committee**

March 14 - **Strawberry Delivery**

March 23 - **Joint Worship Service**

FAT TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER:

On Tuesday, March 4, at 6:00 pm we will have a pancake supper instead of the regular Wednesday Church Night Supper.

Everyone is invited to attend, but it is important that we know you are coming so the correct amount of food can be purchased. Your assistance with letting us know will be greatly appreciated.

METHODIST MEN:

Will not meet in March. The next meeting will be Monday, April 14th.

JOINT SERVICE AND COVERED DISH MEAL - MARCH 23

Please mark this Sunday on your calendars. No 8 am or 9 am service this day. The 11:00 am worship will feature combined music from Contemporary and Traditional services.

After the service, we will share a covered-dish meal in the fellowship hall. The Church will provide the entree and the beverages.

We are asking that you bring a side or dessert or both.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION:

CFMC Preschool will begin registration for 3 and 4-year-old students on the following dates. Students must turn the age of the class by September 1st.

March 3rd-March 7th: Early Registration for children who are siblings of Preschool students and whose grandparents are church members.

March 10th – Open Registration
Please remember all spots are filled on a first come first serve basis. You may pick-up registration packets in the Preschool Office M-F, 7:30-1:00. Please see Ashlei Steele for further information.

NO BOOK STUDY THIS WEEK DUE TO ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE CHURCH-WIDE BOOK STUDY

Through March 26

6:45 pm in the Chapel

Don't forget to pick up the weekly Discussion Questions on Sunday or Wednesday night before each Wednesday night study.

• **Schedule:**

Wed., Mar. 12 - Letters 16-19

Even if you do not have a book, you can still join us for Wednesday Night Bible Study at 6:45 pm in the Chapel. We will provide run-off copies of Screw-tape Letters each week.



Week of **March 2-8**
2025



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, March 2:

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
5:00 pm	Men's and Ladies' Disciple Groups

Monday, March 3:

6:00	WinGS
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Tuesday, March 4:

6:30 am	Men's Disciple Group
8:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
10:00 am	Ladies' Prayer Group
6:00 pm	Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper

Wednesday, March 5:

6:00-9:00 am	Ashes
5:00 pm	Handbells
6:00 pm	No Meal Ash Wednesday Service in Sanctuary
6:30 pm	Choir

Thursday, March 6:

8:30 am	Service on CNS Channel 6
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Friday, March 7:

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

† Live streaming

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.

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 2/23/25

Weekly Needs	\$8,853.00
Weekly Receipts	\$17,905.00
Memorial/In Honor	\$200.00
Missions	\$50.00
Bucket Brigade	\$75.63

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 Backpack Ministry.

TALLAHASSEE, FL:

Mr. Prentiss Mitchell

GRADY GENERAL:

Mrs. Louise Anderson

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)

RESIDENCE INN AT THE OAKS, THOMASVILLE, GA

- Mrs. Marjorie Taylor

SOUTHERN PINES, THOMASVILLE, GA

- Mrs. Doris Rehberg (Mother of Nell Owens)

PRESBYTERIAN HOME, QUITMAN, GA:

- Mrs. Opal Prince



Birthday Greetings

March 2: Brian Hunziker

March 3: Mary Robertson, Rhett Vernon, Fran Youmans

March 4: Sheila Campbell, Marilyn Ricks

March 5: Brittany Bell, Matt McCaskill, Richard Moses

March 6: Sarah Chason

March 7: Philip Almon, Allison Amaro

March 8: William Stoddard

Sunday March 2, 2025

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:00 am

*SCRIPTURE LESSONRomans 12:1-2
SERMONHere Comes LentRev. Vernon
COMMUNION

Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Registration of Attendance)
WORSHIP
OFFERING
CHILDREN’S SERMON

*AFFIRMATION OF GOD’S WORDRev. 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.**

*SCRIPTURERomans 12:1-2
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* Please stand as you are able.

THOSE WHO SERVE: 9:00 AM: SS Greeters/Ushers: Jarrett Harrison, Robert Hudson;
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
text: 229-254-2546

Children’s Sermon: Adrienne Harrison
Acolytes: Annabelle Stanaland and Campbell Jones
Buckets: Ella Jones and Theo Stoddard

- Sunday Nights resume tonight - 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...KELSEY

email: westkelsey09@gmail.com
cell/text: (229) 413-3561

- Wednesday night and Sunday night activities are back in full swing.
- **DISCIPLE NOW WEEKEND!** March 7-9 And \$35 Per Student.
- **MFUGE DATES: JUNE 16 – 21** Any student who is interested in going to MFuge in June, please see Kelsey to sign up. Fuge deposit of \$75.00 is due in February.

Sunday March 2, 2025

Traditional Worship – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Ed Self
Toccata in E Minor - Pachelbel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Sam Vernon

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHApostles CreedNo. 881

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 451
Be Though My Vision

OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Vernon

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
Meditation on "Bread of Life" - Goode

*DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYERRev. Vernon

SPECIAL MUSICChancel Choir
I Give You My Heart - arr. Dave Williamson

AFFIRMATION OF GOD'S WORDRev. Vernon

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I have what He says I have and I can do what He says I can do.**

*SCRIPTURE LESSONRomans 12:1-2

SERMONHere Comes LentRev. Vernon

COMMUNION

*HYMN OF RESPONSENo. 576
Rise Up, O Men of God

*BENEDICTIONRev. Vernon

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
Postlude in F - Cappelen

+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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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.

IS YOUR COMMITTEE OR GROUP MEETING AT THE CHURCH?

Please let the church office know ahead of time so it can be put on the calendar.

This helps us avoid scheduling conflicts and ensures your privacy.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS

Please make your reservations for the meal by calling the church, sending a text to 229-403-0428, email to 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 reservation, then reservations must be made by Monday noon in order that food can be purchased.

Week MAR. 12 _____ **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 Office229-377-3051
- 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!