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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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April 18 is Good Friday. I don't know what you normally do differently on Good Friday that you wouldn't do on other week days throughout the year. I understand that many of you will have to work.

However, regardless of our age, the demands of our job, family responsibilities, etc., I believe Good Friday ought to be different from the other 364 days of the year.

While it is true that we not 100% sure of the exact date Christ was crucified on, it is also true that every year we remember the Crucifixion on the Friday before Easter and call it Good Friday. If ever there was a day for believers to humble ourselves in gratitude for the love of God, the sacrifice of the Christ and the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it is on Good Friday.

So whether you join us at Cairo First Methodist for "Come and Go" prayer in the Chapel 7:00 am to 11:00 am or you go somewhere else, please take some time to reflect and experience this day differently than any other day.

In Christ,

Sam

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

The pastor and members of Cairo First Church extend their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of **MR. ELWYN CHILDS.**

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MRS. DORIS REHBERG

By: Mr. & Mrs. Roger Whitfield

UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS:

April 13 - **Palm Sunday**

April 14 - **Perkins Methodist Men**

April 16 - **Chancel Choir/Handbells
Easter Music
following the meal**

April 18 - **Chapel open 7:00 - 11:00 am for prayer**

April 24 - **Laity Council**

May 6 - **Capitol Bells in Concert at CFC**

"THE CRUCIFIXION":

Will be presented by the Chancel Choir of Cairo First Methodist at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, April 16.

GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER

(7:00 - 11:00 AM):

April 18th in the Chapel
"Come and Go" format
- Stay 10 minutes or an hour
- Prayer sheets will be available to guide your prayers.

CHURCH DIRECTORY:

If you would like a printed copy of the names, addresses of current church members, please contact the church office.

If you have not updated the church office with cell phone numbers and email addresses, now would be a great time to give us that information.

Contact the church office for any specifics about your listing.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

Palm Sunday (April 13)

Regular Sunday Schedule

All three (3) Services at 8:00 am, 9:00 am and 11:00 am

Monday, April 14:

7:00 pm -Perkins

Methodist Men's Group

Wednesday, April 16:

6:00 pm - Wednesday Night Supper
(Please make reservations by noon on Monday, April 14)

7:00 pm - Chancel Choir

Easter Musical

Good Friday, April 18:

7:00 am - 11:00 am - Chapel open for prayer and reflection

Easter Sunday, April 20:

8:00 am, 9:00 am and 11:00 am
Worship Services

GIDEONS SUNDAY (APRIL 27):

A Gideons speaker will preach at both the 9:00 am and 11:00 am services. Please come prepared to make a generous donation to the Gideons to support their ministry.

No 8:00 am service on April 27th

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 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.

REV. VERNON'S APPOINTMENT:

Rev. Sam Vernon has been officially appointed as pastor of the Warwick Global Methodist Church at Lake Blackshear.

We are still working on the transition dates for his last Sunday and Rev. Baker's first Sunday. We will let you know when we know.



Week of **Apr. 13-19**
2025



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, April 13:

8:00 am	Early Worship
9:00 am	Contemporary Worship
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	†Traditional Worship

Monday, April 14:

7:00 pm	Perkins Methodist Men
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Tuesday, April 15:

6:30 am	Men's Disciple Group
8:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
10:00 am	Ladies' Prayer Group

Wednesday, April 16:

6:00 pm	Meal
7:00 pm	The Crucifixion

Thursday, April 17:

8:30 am	Service on CNS Channel 6
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Friday, April 18:

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

† Live streaming

TALLAHASSEE, FL:

Mr. Prentiss Mitchell

TALLAHASSEE MEMORIAL:

Mrs. Judy Martinucci

GRADY GENERAL:

Mr. Howell McKinnon

AT HOME:

Mr. Ray Butler

Mr. David and Mrs. Catherine Elkins

Mr. Dale Helms

Mrs. Betty Hester

Mrs. Lisa LeGette

Mr. Jerome Martin

Mrs. Eleanor McKinnon

Mrs. Faye Miller

Mr. Ross Sims

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. Wynnell 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

PRESBYTERIAN HOME, QUITMAN, GA:

Mrs. Opal Prince

LA MESA, CA:

Ike & Charlene Powell



Birthday Greetings

April 13: Deacon Jones

April 14: Judge Grave De Peralta

April 16: John Braxton Carnline,
Elizabeth Joyner

April 17: Cindy Higdon

April 19: Debbie Davis, Aubrey
Singletary

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 4/6/25

Attendance	80
Weekly Needs	\$8,853.00
Weekly Receipts	\$4,745.00
Memorial/In Honor	\$100.00
Missions	\$00.00
Bucket Brigade	\$84.81

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 Backpack Ministry.

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

Sunday April 13, 2025

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:00 am

*SCRIPTURE LESSONMatthew 21:1-11
SERMONParade BehaviorRev. Sam Vernon

Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Registration of Attendance)

*WORSHIP

OFFERING

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*AFFIRMATION OF GOD'S WORDRev. Sam 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.**

*SCRIPTUREMatthew 21:1-11

SERMONParade BehaviorRev. Sam Vernon

* Please stand as you are able.

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

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

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

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

email: abharrison1@hotmail.com

text: 229-254-2546

NEWS FROM...ADRIENNE

Children's Sermon: Stacey Morgan

Acolytes: Annabelle Stanaland and Cate Hopkins

Buckets: Ella Jones and Brinson Hopkins

- It's Palm Sunday! The kids will wave palm branches at the beginning of the service.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** VBS is June 1-4. If you are interested in volunteering anytime during the week, please contact Adrienne
- VBS Planning Meeting: Sunday, April 20 at 5:00 p.m. in the Cephas classroom

YOUTH MINISTRY

email: westkelsey09@gmail.com

cell/text: (229) 413-3561

NEWS FROM...KELSEY

- Sunday School, Sunday Night and Wednesday Night activities are back in full swing each week.

Sunday April 13, 2025

Combined Worship – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

Palm Sunday

Christian Color: Purple

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Ed Self
All Glory, Laud, and Honor - Williams

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Sam Vernon

REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

*RESPONSIVE READINGPsalm 105No. 828

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 280
All Glory, Laud and Honor

*OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Sam Vernon

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
O Sacred Head, Now Wounded - Bach

*DOXOLOGY

PALM SUNDAY PRAYERNo. 281

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYERRev. Sam Vernon

SPECIAL MUSICChancel Choir
On That Day When He Rode Into Jerusalem - Mary Kay Beall

*AFFIRMATION OF GOD'S WORDRev. Sam Vernon

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

*SCRIPTUREMatthew 21:1-11

SERMONParade BehaviorRev. Sam Vernon

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 301
Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

*BENEDICTIONRev. Sam Vernon

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
Christ Lay in Death's Dark Prison - Bach

+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:** Ron Spooner, Larry Cliett

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.

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

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 Apr. 16____ Permanent ____

Name_____

No. of Adults_____@ 6.00/person

No. children (3-11) _____@ 4.00 /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!