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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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OUR EASTER WITNESS

God the Father has left many Easter witnesses to bolster our faith.

Whether it is the testimony of the Scriptures, the empty tomb or a changed life; there is evidence of the reality of Christ everywhere.

Back in 1993, a German golfer named Bernhard Langer won the Masters for the second time (he also won in 1985). As significant as that accomplishment was in the golf world, there was also great spiritual significance in his victory. In his first interview minutes after he had just won, Langer said to the CBS reporter with millions of TV viewers tuned in "To win this special tournament on the same day as Easter as we celebrate my Lord's resurrection is almost indescribable." Langer went on to say he could not have done it without the Lord's help noting that his faith in Christ had not only made him a better golfer but more importantly a better man.

What Easter testimony will you give this week, this month, this year?

In Christ,

Sam



CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

The pastor and members of Cairo First Methodist Church extend their deepest sympathy to Mr. Matt and Dr. Clair McCaskill and family in the death of her father, **MR. JOHN SUMMERS**; to the family and friends of **MRS. JUDITH ANNE (JUDY) MARTINUCCI**; to the family and friends of **MRS. LORETTA COOK RAWLS**.

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MR. KENNETH GALE

By: Brenda Coy

MRS. JUDY MARTINUCCI

By: Brenda Coy

Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Martin
Richard and Colleen Plant
Marilyn Ricks
Katherine Stoddard

UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS:

April 20 - **EASTER SUNDAY**

Worship at

8:00 am,

9:00 am and

11:00 am

April 28 - **Laity Council**

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

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.

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.

**NO MEN’S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP
ON EASTER SUNDAY.**

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

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
MAY 1, 2025**

The Chapel will be open for “Come and Go” prayer from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm. Come and pray for 10 minutes or an hour.

There will be prayer sheets to guide your prayers. Focus on this day will be praying for your nation, state and county.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION:

CFCM 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. 20-26**
2025



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, April 20:

8:00 am **Early Worship**

9:00 am **Contemporary Worship**

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am **†Traditional Worship**

Monday, April 21:

No Activities

Tuesday, April 22:

6:30 am Men's Disciple Group

8:00 am Men's Prayer Group

10:00 am Ladies' Prayer Group

Wednesday, April 23:

6:00 pm Meal

6:30 Youth, children's activities
Bible study

No music activities

Thursday, April 24:

8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6

Friday, April 25:

2:00 pm Service on CNS Channel 6

9:00 pm Service on CNS Channel 6

† **Live streaming**

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 4/13/25

Attendance89
Weekly Needs\$8,853.00
Weekly Receipts\$4,140.00
Memorial/In Honor\$170.00
Missions\$70.00
Bucket Brigade\$61.00

BUCKET BRIGADE:

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

TALLAHASSEE, FL:

Mr. Prentiss Mitchell

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

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 20: Christie Sanders

April 22: Booth Moses, Heath Phelps,
Opal Prince, Michael Youmans

April 24: Chloe Thomas

April 25: Erin McGhin

April 26: Magnus Hudson

Sunday April 20, 2025

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:00 am

*SCRIPTURE LESSONLuke 24:1-12; 36-52
SERMONHis Favorite Things About Easter ...Rev. 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.**

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* 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: Will Bundrick - video; Hadley Rae Morgan - streaming;

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...**ADRIENNE**

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

Children's Sermon: Celeste Vernon

Acolytes: Austin Kate Hudson and Levi Bundrick

Buckets: Judge Grave de Peralta and Josie Grave de Peralta

- **SAVE THE DATE:** VBS is June 1-4.

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...**KELSEY**

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

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

Sunday April 20, 2025

Combined Worship – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

Easter Sunday

Christian Color: White

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Ed Self
A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing - Manz

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Sam Vernon

EASTER GREETING:

Pastor: He is Risen!

Congregation: He is Risen Indeed!

REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHI CorinthiansNo. 888

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 302
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

*OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Sam Vernon

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain - Williams

*DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYERRev. Sam Vernon

SPECIAL MUSICChancel Choir
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today - Hall

*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.**

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SERMONHis Favorite Things About EasterRev. Sam Vernon

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 327
Crown Him with Many Crowns

*BENEDICTIONRev. Sam Vernon

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
Look Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious - Manz

+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. 23____ 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!