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Worship God
Grow in Christ

Build Community
Bless the World



CAIRO FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

(1867-2025) – Celebrating Our 158th Year

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Being in ministry for a long time, one learns a great many lessons. You learn a great deal about yourself, about people and about the way God moves, works and communicates. While it has been said that His ways are mysterious, and indeed they are, they are not a mystery. God find finds ways to speak to us and to teach us what He wants us to learn.

Today I am going to share three of the biggest lessons He taught me in ministry and just maybe they will bless you and give you some small insight into how He works in someone else.

I pray you are blessed!

Dr. Baker

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MR. PRENTISS R. MITCHELL

By: Mike and Susan Chastain
Edna Horne
David and Jackie McCurry
Katherine Stoddard

MRS. RACHEL TILLEY

By: Katherine Stoddard

IN HONOR GIFT:

A gift has been given to the church in honor of

THE LADIES’ PRAYER GROUP

**SANDRA CLARK
BEVERLY CLIETT
BRENDA COY
LEQUITA LEGETTE
ANNE RICHTER
CAROLYN SHELFER
MONTEEN STEWART
KATHERINE STODDARD
CAROLYN TRAWICK
JUDY WHITFIELD
MARY WIND**

By: Betty and Billy Hester

RUTH SIMS

By: Edna Horne

UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS:

July 28 - **6:00 pm - Laity
Council Meeting**

NEXT LAITY COUNCIL MEETING:

The next meeting will be July 28, at 6:00 pm

ADDRESS CHANGES:

Summer time is a time of changes. So if you have moved or planning a move, please update the church office with your new mailing address.

This will be most helpful!

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 college age children

Cephas: Young Adults (30+) with young and teenage children

SPECIAL THANKS:

To the Sunday School classes and individuals who had any part in the welcome reception for the Bakers. Thank you for setup, food, serving, and cleanup. Everything is very much appreciated.

BE THE BEST OF WHATEVER YOU ARE

If you can't be a pine on the top of the hill,
Be a scrub in the valley - but be
The best little scrub by the side of the rill;
Be a bush if you can't be a tree.

If you can't be a bush, be a bit of the grass,
Some highway happier make;
If you can't be a muskie, then just be a bass-
But the liveliest bass in the lake!

We can't all be captains, we've got to be crew,
There's something for all of us here,
There's big work to do, and there's lesser to do,
And the task we must do is the near.

If you can't be a highway, then just be trail,
If you can't be the sun, be a star;
It isn't by size that you win or you fail-
Be the best of whatever you are!

Douglas Malloch



Week of **July 27-Aug 2**
2025



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, July 27:

8:00 am Early Worship

9:00 am † **Contemporary Worship**

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am † **Traditional Worship**

Monday, July 28:

6:00 pm Laity Council

Tuesday, July 29:

8:00 am Men's Prayer Group

10:00 am Ladies' Prayer Group

Wednesday, July 30:

No Activities

Thursday, July 31:

8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6

Friday, August 1:

2:00 pm Service on CNS Channel 6

9:00 pm Service on CNS Channel 6

† **Live streaming**

JACKSONVILLE, FL

Rev. Stuart Owens (Son of Jeb/Nell Owens)

AT HOME:

Mr. Phillip Almon

Mrs. Louise Anderson

Mr. Ray Butler

Mr. David and Mrs. Catherine Elkins

Mrs. Betty Hester

Mrs. Lisa LeGette

Mr. Jerome Martin

Mr. Howell and Mrs. Eleanor McKinnon

Mrs. Faye Miller

Mr. Ross Sims

Mrs. Arlene Spooner

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:

Mrs. Mary Meill

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

PRESBYTERIAN HOME, QUITMAN, GA:

Mrs. Opal Prince

LA MESA, CA:

Ike & Charlene Powell

7730 Saranac Place #11, Le Mesa, CA 91942

OVIEDO, FL:

Mr. Dale Helms

1915 W County Road, 419 Apt 102, Oviedo, FL 32766



Birthday Greetings

July 27: Laurie McGhin, Marjorie Taylor

July 28: James Cason

July 29: James Russell Avery

July 30: Maryalice Stanland

August 1: Hadley Rae Morgan

August 2: Ron Cox, Jr., Robin Prince

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 7/20/25

Attendance	158
Weekly Needs	\$8,853.00
Weekly Receipts	\$9,505.00
Memorial/In Honor	\$425.00
Missions	\$910.00
Bucket Brigade	\$60.00

BUCKET BRIGADE:

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

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

Sunday July 27, 2025

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:00 am

SCRIPTURE LESSON Ephesians 4:11-13; 1 Corinthians 1:25-31

SERMON Rev. Bill Baker
"The Three Biggest Lessons I Have Learned In Ministry"

Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Registration of Attendance)

*WORSHIP

OFFERING

CHILDREN'S SERMON Adrienne Harrison

SCRIPTURE Ephesians 4:11-13; 1 Corinthians 1:25-31

SERMON Dr. Bill Baker
"The Three Biggest Lessons I Have Learned In Ministry"

* Please stand as you are able.

THOSE WHO SERVE: 9:00 AM: SS Greeters/Ushers: Matt McCaskill, Seth Stanaland;

Worship Team: Brian Morgan - vocals, guitar; Stacey Morgan - vocals, keys; Miller Kate Morgan - bass; Joe Porter - cajon;

Tech: - video;

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

NEWS FROM...ADRIENNE

Children's Sermon: Adrienne Harrison

- Promotion Sunday - August 10
- Sunday Nights will resume - Sunday, September 7 at 5:00 p.m.
- Acolyte Training - Sunday, September 7 during Sunday School (2nd-5th grade)
- Third Grade Bible Presentation - Nov 2 during the 9:00 service.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

NEWS FROM...KELSEY

- Sunday School as normal
- Back-to-School Bash, to welcome upcoming youth students.
Time still TBD.
- Anyone who would like to volunteer to help with youth on Sunday mornings, Sunday evenings, or Wednesday nights, please let Kelsey know!

Sunday July 27, 2025

Traditional Worship – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

Pentecost VII

Christian Color: Green

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Ed Self
More Love to Thee - Hamlin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSDr. Bill Baker

REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHThe Nicene CreedNo. 880

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 419
I Am Thine, O Lord

OFFERTORY PRAYERDr. Baker

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
Jesus Is Tenderly Calling - Kerrick

*DOXOLOGYNo. 95

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYERDr. Baker

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTUREEphesians 4:11-13; 1 Corinthians 1:25-31

SERMONDr. Baker
“The Three Biggest Lessons I Have Learned In Ministry”

*HYMN OF RESPONSENo. 338
Where He Leads Me

*BENEDICTIONDr. Baker

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
Paeon - Wood

+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:** Chuck Tyler, Larry Cliett

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION:

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

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.

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. Please include your telephone number and current mailing address.

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.

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.



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318 S. BROAD STREET
CAIRO, GA 39828

Directory

- Bill Baker*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
478-550-4782

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!