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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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Peter Forsyth said, "Faith is our relation not to what we possess, but to what possesses us." This comes close to saying what Jesus is trying to get across to us in today's scripture. Things, relationships, our professions, finances, even our friends and families, the stuff of life can become so valuable to us that they compete with God for first place in our hearts. This is why Jesus says to us, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will also be." The question He wants us to answer is this, "What is our treasure? What do we value above all else?" It is there that we will find our true loyalty, our devotion, our love, our worship. It is there we will find what possesses us.

Jesus has this way of getting to the truth and cutting through self deception that is difficult and sometimes painful, but necessary. Is He our treasure? Does He really have first place in our hearts? The important thing here is honesty, not false humility. If He is not, let's simply repent and ask Him to help us get us to the place in our lives where He is...and eventually, He will. That's what Grace is all about. God has no use for guilt and shame, He is all about mercy and empowering the willing. He will actively work through His Sanctifying Grace, change your heart, and one day you will wake up to find that Jesus truly has become the great treasure of your heart and life, just as you asked. That's the way He works!

*In Christ,
Dr. Baker*

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MR. DALE HELMS

By: Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Martin
Mr. & Mrs. David McCurry
Chuck & Celeste Tyler

MR. RANDY HOLTON

MRS. JUDY MARTINUCCI

By: Chuck & Celeste Tyler

MR. PRENTISS R. MITCHELL

By: Mr. Ralph Martinucci
Chuck & Celeste Tyler
Mr. & Mrs. Herbert W. Wind
Mr. Bert Wind

MRS. SUE HANCOCK COLLINS

By: Mr. & Mrs. Julian Rawls

UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS:

August 11 - **7:00 pm** -
Methodist Men

August 25 - **6:00 pm** - **Laity Council**

METHODIST MEN:

Will meet Monday, August 11, at 7:00 pm in the fellowship hall. Please contact Tommy Smith to make reservations for the meal.

MISSION SPECIAL OFFERING REQUEST:

The Missions Committee is asking for monetary donations for the relief efforts in Texas. Fourteen counties have been affected and three Global Methodist Churches were destroyed. Monetary donations will help house the numerous people affected by the flooding.

The bucket brigade offering for the month of August will go to the mission.

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.

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

As the new school year begins, we pray for the teachers, students and administration employees.

The following can apply to any school teacher:



PRAYER OF A BEGINNING TEACHER

Dear God, I humbly pray
That thou, with each passing day
Wilt give me courage, wisdom true
To meet each problem,
see it through -
With wisdom and justice
to teach each child
To recognize the things worthwhile.
Help me to start them on the way
To clean, brave living - day by day,
So that tomorrow for each one
Will be met squarely - and be won -
And as I help each little child
To learn to love the things worthwhile,
Lord, help me to be true;
For I am just beginning, too.

Ouida Smith Dunnam



Week of **Aug 10-16**
2025



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, August 10:

8:00 am Early Worship

9:00 am † **Contemporary Worship**

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am † **Traditional Worship**

Monday, August 11:

7:00 pm Methodist Men

Tuesday, August 12:

8:00 am Men's Prayer Group

10:00 am Ladies' Prayer Group

Wednesday, August 13:

6:00 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, August 14:

8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6

Friday, August 15:

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. Keith Campbell

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



Birthday Greetings

August 11: Leitha Prince, Ethan Pyles

August 12: Nancy McClenny

August 13: Daniel Stanaland

August 14: Debra Smith

August 15: Kevin Chason, Abby Coker,
Myra Easom

August 16: Carrie Stanaland,
Peg Thomas

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 8/3/25

Attendance	124
Weekly Needs	\$8,853.00
Weekly Receipts	\$5,095.00
Memorial/In Honor	\$485.00
Missions	\$700.00
Bucket Brigade	\$127.61

BUCKET BRIGADE:

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

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

Sunday August 10, 2025

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:00 am

SCRIPTURE LESSONLuke 12:32-40 (Pew Bible p. 737)

SERMONWhere Your Treasure IsRev. Bill Baker

Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Registration of Attendance)

*WORSHIP

OFFERING

CHILDREN'S SERMONAdrienne Harrison

SCRIPTURELuke 12:32-40 (Pew Bible p. 737)

SERMONWhere Your Treasure IsDr. Bill Baker

* Please stand as you are able.

THOSE WHO SERVE: 9:00 AM: SS Greeters/Ushers: Bradley Jones, Matt Duncan;

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

Tech: Will Bundrick - video; Miller Kate Morgan - streaming;

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...ADRIENNE

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

Children's Sermon: Adrienne Harrison

Accolytes: Nolan Duncan and Griffin Carter

Buckets: Jemma Hartsell and Brinson Hopkins

- Blessing of the Backpacks and Promotion Sunday - August 10
*Bring your backpack to the 9:00 a.m. service
- 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

NEWS FROM...KELSEY

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

- Sunday School as normal
- Special thanks to the Morgans for hosting the back to school bash.
- Anyone who would like to volunteer to help with youth on Sunday mornings, Sunday evenings, or Wednesday nights, please let Kelsey know!

Sunday August 10, 2025

Traditional Worship – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

Pentecost IX

Christian Color: Green

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Ed Self
Amazing Grace - Varner

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSDr. Bill Baker

REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHThe Apostles CreedNo. 881

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 701
When We All Get to Heaven

OFFERTORY PRAYERDr. Baker

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
This Is My Father's World - Page

*DOXOLOGYNo. 95

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYERDr. Baker

SPECIAL MUSICMr. Jeremy Moore
Don't Feel No-Ways Tired - Arr. Hairston

SCRIPTURELuke 12:32-40 (Pew Bible p. 737)

SERMONWhere Your Treasure IsDr. Baker

*HYMN OF RESPONSENo. 724
On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

*BENEDICTIONDr. Baker

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
Jesus Shall Reign - DeCou

+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: Miriam Funderburk, Frances Thrower; **Ushers:** Chuck Tyler, Larry Cliett

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.



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!

NEW PARSONAGE TELEPHONE NUMBER

The telephone number for the land line at the parsonage has been changed to 229-216-3014.

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.

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED
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!