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Worship God
Grow in Christ

Build Community
Bless the World



CAIRO FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

1867-2026 – Celebrating Our 159th Year

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Dr. Bill Baker, Pastor

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A few years ago I heard a Worship Song from Elevation Worship entitled “Resurrecting.” The line that stuck with me was “the resurrected King is resurrecting me.” I found it profound and powerful because it gave me a new perspective on Resurrection. I was accustomed to thinking about the Resurrection as a one time event that is to come “out there” in the future somewhere.

This song presents the idea that because of Jesus’ conquering death, hell and the grave, because of his own resurrection, that my life is being resurrected here and now in a spiritual sense. God is taking my life, sins, failures and mistakes and is making me new every day. He is working within us all to resurrect us, or to bring us to life more and more every day.

As a theologian, I know that technically this falls under the category of Sanctification, but it makes a point. The Holy Spirit is constantly working in us to change us from what we were, to form us in Christ’s image, to make us more and more like Him. In that way, he is always resurrecting us. No matter what mistakes you have made or whatever deception you have fallen for, He has never given up on us and is constantly working in us to bring to life every area of who we are. Just like Jesus resurrected Lazarus, he is resurrecting us as well! And one day our earthly bodies will be resurrected too! He will bring those who know Him to life in the same kind of glorified body He has!



*In His Love,
Dr. Baker*

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

The church extends deepest sympathy to friends and family of **Mr. Howell McKinnon, Jr.**

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MR. JULIAN RAWLS

By: Mr. & Mrs. Chuck Stafford
Ms. Carolyn Shelfer
Mr. Ralph Martinucci
Mr. & Mrs. Mark Rischar

REV CHRISTY BANDY

By: Mr. & Mrs. Mark Rischar

and, **In HONOR** of:

MRS. RUTH SIMS

By: Mr. and Mrs. Mark Rischar

UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS:

March 21 - **Youth Lock-In**

March 23 - **Laity Committee Meeting**

March 29 - **Palm Sunday / 10:30 am -
Combined Worship
Service**

April 1 - **6:00 pm - Easter Cantata**

April 5 - **Easter Sunday**

April 6-10 - **Spring Break**

CHURCH CALENDAR:

All though the Church facilities are large enough for multiple meetings to avoid conflicts, please contact the church office to put events and meetings on the church calendar.

PALM SUNDAY:

March 29th is Palm Sunday, but it's also a 5th Sunday, and for CFMC that means a Combined Service. It's also a time when we have Baptisms and receive new members into our fellowship. If you would like to join the church and/or be Baptized, let Dr Bill or the Church Office know and we will talk with you about it. We know that we will be having a Baptism by immersion and would love to Baptize others!

**PRESCHOOL SPAGHETTI DINNER
FUND-RAISER:**

The fund-raiser was a huge success and we wish to thank all who came out to support the Preschool!

REQUEST FOR HELP:

With the retirement of Ruth Sims, there is a need for help opening and closing the church, prior to Sunday worship services. If you are willing and able to help, please contact Seth Staland.

MAH JONG:

Efforts are being made to organize a new group that can meet to learn and play this fun and challenging game. Please contact the church office for information to join.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

If you would like learn to operate the audiovisual equipment, volunteers are encouraged to talk to Brian or Stacey Morgan.

NEW YOUNG ADULT SS CLASS

Meets at 10:00 am on Sunday. The class will meet in the last room on the right down the hallway from the Chapel in the fellowship hall.

There is a nursery for babies and SS for children.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION:

We are currently opening enrollment to the community.

***The Preschool will be offering a NEW half day program for 2 year olds. Please contact the preschool for more information.**

OFFERINGS:

If you wish to get credit for taxes on your donations to the church, please place any cash offerings in an envelope with your name so that the donations can be posted to your records in the office.

There are small envelopes on the back of the pews for this purpose.

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.



Week of **Mar. 22-28**
2026



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Saturday, March 21:

7:00 pm Youth Lock-In

Sunday, March 22:

8:00 am **Early Worship**

9:00 am **† Contemporary Worship**

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am **† Traditional Worship**

5:00 pm In lieu of Lock-In,
NO Youth Night

Monday, March 23:

6:00 pm Laity Meeting

Tuesday, March 24:

8:00 am Men's Prayer Group

10:00 am Ladies' Prayer Group

Wednesday, March 25:

5:00 pm Handbells

6:00 pm Meal

6:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 26:

8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6

Friday, March 27:

2:00 pm Service on CNS Channel 6

9:00 pm Service on CNS Channel 6

† Live streaming

ARCHBOLD:

Mr. Everett Allen

AT HOME:

Mr. Phillip Almon

Mrs. Louise Anderson

Mr. Doug Branch

Mr. Ray Butler

Mr. Keith and Mrs. Sheila Campbell

Mr. David and Mrs. Catherine Elkins

Mrs. Betty Hester

Mr. Jerome and Mrs. Gayle Martin

Mrs. Eleanor McKinnon

Mrs. Faye Miller

Mr. Jeb Owens

Mr. Ross Sims

Mr. Gene Smith and Mrs. Sarah Smith

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

Mrs. Donnis Ward

MAGNOLIA PLACE:

Mrs. Dot Moses James

Mr. Freddie Lyle

Mrs. Nell 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

Mr. Bob and Mrs. Marjorie Taylor

PRESBYTERIAN HOME, QUITMAN, GA:

Mrs. Opal Prince

LA MESA, CA:

Charlene Powell

7730 Saranac Place #11, Le Mesa, CA 91942

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP

3/15/26

Attendance123

Weekly Needs\$9,753.00

Weekly Receipts\$6,421.91

Memorial/In Honor\$400.00

Bucket Brigade\$49.78

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 **Wesley Glenn Ministries**.

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



Birthday Greetings

March 22: Suela Gainous, Donnis Ward

March 23: John McClenny III,
Claire Phillips

March 24: Linda Johnson, Robyn Long,
Julianne Stone

March 25: Nicki Avery, Caroline Pyles

March 26: Louise Anderson, Katie Bell,
Jerome Martin

March 27: Sharon Moses

March 28: Thatcher Burke, Max White

Sunday, March 15, 2026

Traditional Informal – Chapel

8:00 am

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 11:17-45 (Pew Bible 760)

SERMON Concerning Being Resurrected Dr. Bill Baker

Contemporary – Sanctuary (Livestream)

9:00 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Registration of Attendance)

*WORSHIP

OFFERING

CHILDREN’S SERMON Mrs. Stacey Morgan

*SCRIPTURE John 11:17-45 (Pew Bible 760)

SERMON Concerning Being Resurrected Dr. Bill Baker

* 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;

Miller Kate Morgan - bass; Hadley Rae Morgan - cajon;

Tech: Rebecca McKemie - video; - streaming;

KID MIN CORNER

NEWS FROM...STACEY

email: morgans@tcitys.org

text: 912-242-3983

Acolytes (both services): Jensyn Drew Morgan and Carroll Hopkins

Buckets: Finn Cook and Tilden Morgan

Sunday Nights: Come hang out on Sundays, at 5:00, as we learn more about our best friend, Jesus! Great stories, better friends, and tons of fun.

Faith Lab (Wed.): Can science help us understand God? You bet! Join us for FaithLab on Wednesday nights for explosive experiments and a deeper look at our faith.

- Palm Sunday, March 29: Join us for a special **Joint Service** at 11:00. We'll come together as one body to kick off Holy Week! No Sunday School.
- Easter Sunday, April 5: Celebrate the Resurrection with us! During the Sunday School hour, we'll host our annual **Easter Egg Hunt**. We'll have **fun photo ops** set up for the kids and the whole family—perfect for those Easter Sunday bests!

We need candy filled eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt. Drop donations off to Stacey or in the Children's Building.

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...KELSEY

email: westkelsey09@gmail.com

cell/text: (229) 413-3561

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: THERE WILL NOT BE A YOUTH NIGHT ON SUNDAY, MARCH 22 DUE.

- Youth Sunday School every Sunday morning at 10:00 am
- Youth Sunday Night and Wednesday night activities are back on the regular schedule.
- Anyone who would like to volunteer to help with youth on Sunday mornings, Sunday evenings, or Wednesday nights, please let Kelsey know!

Sunday, March 15, 2026

Combined Worship – Sanctuary (Livestream)

11:00 am

Lent IV

Christian Color: Purple

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARYMr. Ed Self
Blessed Jesus, We Are Here - Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSDr. Bill Baker

REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHThe Nicene CreedNo. 880

*HYMN OF PRAISENo. 327
Crown Him With Many Crowns

OFFERTORY PRAYERDr. Baker

OFFERING

OFFERTORYMr. Self
The King of Love My Shepherd Is - Williams

*DOXOLOGYNo. 95

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYERDr. Baker

THE SPECIAL MUSICChancel Choir
As the Deer - Nystrom / arr. Wilson

*SCRIPTUREJohn 11:17-45 (Pew Bible 760)

SERMONConcerning Being ResurrectedDr. Baker

*HYMN OF RESPONSENo. 384
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

*BENEDICTIONDr. Baker

+POSTLUDEMr. Self
Cortege - 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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

If you would be willing to volunteer in the children's or youth activities, please contact Stacey Morgan or Kelsey West.



Safe Sanctuary training is a requirement, but they will be glad to assist you with anything that needs to be done.

REQUESTING VISIONAIRES:

A new 'vision' committee will be formed soon to guide the future of the church. If you'd like to be a part of this, forward your interest to Dr. Baker.

FLOWER CALENDAR:

The flower calendar for 2026 has been placed on the bulletin board in the downstairs hallway. Please sign up for flowers for 2026. And remember that two arrangements are needed.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE PADS:

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SANCTUARY GUIDELINES:

In order to keep the pew cushions and floors clean, please do NOT bring any food or drink (except water) in the sanctuary. Greasy food and sweetened drink do make a mess. We do appreciate you abiding these rules to keep the sanctuary in pristine condition.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS

Please remember that reservations need to be made by Monday noon each week if you do not choose to make a permanent reservation. Reservations can be made by calling the church office, sending a text to 229-403-0428 or filling out the form below.

Let us know if your child or children would prefer a hotdog.

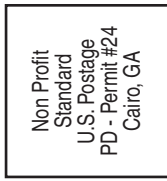
Dr. Baker will be doing a Lenten Program thru March 25th.

Week Mar. 25_____ **Permanent** _____

Name _____

No. of Adults _____ @ 6.00/person

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



ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED
318 S. BROAD STREET
CAIRO, GA 39828

Directory

- Bill Baker*Pastor*
 - Nancy Vance*Adm. Assistant*
 - Stacey Morgan*Children's Director*
 - Kelsey West*Youth Director*
 - Jeremy Moore*Music Director*
 - Ed Self*Organist*
 - Brian Morgan
.....*Contemporary Worship Leader*
 - Rebekah Harrell*Preschool Director*
 - Church Office*229-377-3051*
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- Emergency Numbers ..*478-550-4782*
239-229-6434
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- Parsonage*229-216-3014*

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!