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Worship God
Grow in Christ

Build Community
Bless the World



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (1867-2018)

Celebrating Our 151st Year

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LIVING BEYOND OURSELVES

Last Sunday in order to deepen our experience of Lent, we were encouraged as the family of faith here at CFUMC to say three things regularly and often on a daily basis.

I love you, God.

Thank you, God.

Help me to be a better follower, Jesus.

In thinking of the family of God, I like using the word "us" rather than "me." "Us" communicates a desire to be a part of something that is bigger than "Me" or "You." That's the great wonder of the church as we come together for worship and fellowship and go out in love and service. We are a part of something that's bigger than just me, or bigger than just you - *we're the family of God.* We're part of God's ongoing work in the world. What a privilege! What a calling! How is any of this even possible? One glorious word holds the answer to this question ... EASTER!

**IF GOD
SEEMS
FAR AWAY,
GUESS WHO
MOVED?**

Finally, it was good last week to welcome new members Ed and Linda Wood as well as Cole Scanling (infant, *and now baptized*, son of John and Whitney Scanling) to our family of faith.

With Every Blessing,

Whit

NEW MEMBERS:

We welcome **Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wood** to our family of faith. Ed and Linda come by transfer of their memberships from First Presbyterian Church, Chipley, FL.

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MRS. BETH BARRINEAU

By: Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Turner

MRS. BETTY JEAN GOODSON

By: Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Turner

MRS. MARTHA HAWTHORN

By: Mr. Kenneth Gale

MRS. FRANKIE STRICKLAND

By: Rev. & Mrs. Ike Powell

PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER:

The Preschool is currently selling South Pit BBQ tickets for our annual fundraiser. The fundraiser will be held on Thursday, March 22nd. Tickets are \$8.00. You may purchase tickets from Ruth in the church office, Jamie in the preschool office, or on Wednesday nights from Jeanette Shiver.

THANKS:

To those who took time to give blood last Sunday.

CHANCEL CHOIR:

Resumed rehearsals on Wednesday at 7:15 pm. If you would like to join the choir, please meet in the choir room on Wednesdays. New members are always welcomed.

PARENT MEETINGS:

For informational purposes for the scholarship, we are planning to have a meeting on Sunday, March 4 at 10:00. This will give families an opportunity to attend and get the specifics on the scholarship program and what is required. Everyone is welcome to attend but anyone who is planning to apply for the scholarship this year really should attend.



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

AT HOME:

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| Mrs. Hope Almon | Mr. & Mrs. Tom Hopkins |
| Mr. Bob Anderson | Dr. Bob Kral |
| Mrs. Bonnie McMillan
(mother of Keri Hopkins) | Mrs. Louise Lloyd |
| Mr. Henry Andrews | Mrs. Pat Manny |
| Mrs. Carolyn Brown | Mr. Billy Rathel |
| Mrs. Zena Brown | Mrs. Sandee Rinker |
| Mr. Keith Campbell | Mrs. Sarah Smith |
| Mr. & Mrs. A.B. Clark | Miss Aubrey Walden
(granddaughter of
Rodney, Cindy Turner) |
| Mrs. Nan Crawford | Marilyn Wright, |
| Mrs. Minnie Jenkins
(Sisters of Sally Miller) | Gerald Anderson, |
| Mr. Craig Cutchens | Cecil Gibbs - Michelle
Thornton's family
members |
| Mr. & Mrs. Larry Gainous | Mr. Alan Young |
| Mr. Smiley Gale | |
| Mrs. Jennette Gandy | |
| Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Godwin | |

GAINESVILLE, GA:

Mr. Steve Dupree

TALLAHASSEE, FL:

Mrs. Marjorie Blair (Mother of Debbie Davis)

EVERETT, WA:

Mr. Doug Ricks (Brother of Marilyn Ricks)

MD ANDERSON:

Mrs. Deborah Hudson (Step-Mother of Robert Hudson)

The Church and its ministries, the Church Staff and all Church members.

New Additions in **Bold**

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:

MAGNOLIA PLACE:

- Mrs. Joan Cassels
- Mrs. Helen Williams

BAINBRIDGE, GA:

Mr. Ronald Hall

REMINGTON HEIGHTS, OMAHA, NE:

Mrs. Jane Wilkinson

DISCOVERY VILLAGES, SUWANNEE, GA:

Mrs. LaVonne Childers

CARLYLE PLACE, MACON, GA:

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Skinner

ST. PETERS, MO:

Mrs. Joyce VanLandingham

CHURCH HISTORY AVAILABLE

1867-2017 Church history timeline is now on the church website under the category Ministries.



Week of
March 4-March 10
2018

Sunday, March 4:

- * 8:15 am Early Worship - Chapel
- * 8:55 am Contemporary Worship
- * 9:30 am Fellowship Time
- * 10:00 am Parent Meeting
- * 9:45 am Sunday School
- * 11:00 am Traditional Worship
- 5:00 pm Bible Study
- Children's Activity

Monday, March 5:

- 9:30 am Ladies' Sewing Group
- 10:00 am Chair Yoga

Tuesday, March 6:

- 6:00 am Men's Bible Study
 - 10:00 am Ladies' Prayer Group
- Fellowship Hall Reserved*

Wednesday, March 7:

- * 5:00 pm Handbells
- * 5:50 pm Meal
- * 6:30 pm Age Level Activities
- * 7:15 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 8:

- 8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6

Friday, March 9:

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

*Nursery for children, birth thru three.

MILITARY:

Please remember our members of the military.

John Godbehere, Josh Ballroe, Nathan Greene, Dr. Kevin Gray, James and Brittany Ragan



Birthdays

March 4: Sheila Campbell, Marilyn Ricks

March 5: Jackson Hand, Pam Mason, Matthew McCaskill, Richard Moses

March 6: Bill Bass, Sr., Sarah Chason, Koby Pyrz

March 7: Philip Almon

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 2/25/18

8:15 am Worship22
8:55 am Worship40
11:00 am Worship107
Weekly Receipts\$8,814.50
Weekly NeededTBD
Received to Date - Op\$92,835.64
Designated\$200.00
Bucket Brigade\$79.18

BUCKET BRIGADE:

Offerings for March will go to South Georgia Conference Special Offerings.

OUR VISITORS, FEBRUARY 25, 2018:

(Registered) Franklin, Tammy Sasser; Ansleigh, Avery Peters.

OFFERING ENVELOPES:

Can be found on the table in the downstairs hallway. If you give weekly or monthly, please pick up and use your offering envelopes. This is most helpful in making sure contributions are posted correctly.

BEING THE CHURCH

With our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness; it is through the gift of giving, we nurture the image of God within us.

LOVING WELL

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION DATES 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR:

March 5th: 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, 7:30-5:30. Please see Jamie Allen for further information.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...JODI

email: jdforgione@gmail.com
text: 229.263.1350

March 25th is Palm Sunday and we would like to have some of our children participate in the worship service by carrying palm branches at the 8:30 and 10:30 services. Please let me know which service your child will be able to attend.

I need some men who would be willing to put together the two new cribs we have for the nursery and remove the old cribs.

- Wednesday evening we will be doing a lesson on The Ten Commandments.
- Sunday Evening activities are from 5 to 6.
- Please start bringing in candy filled eggs for our egg hunt. (A dozen eggs per child)

LOOKING AHEAD:

March 25 - Palm Sunday

March 28 - Egg Hunt



YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...KYLE

Youth Night this Sunday night @ 5:30 in the youth house! Bring an appetite and energy for a fun time and fellowship.



Drama Opportunity! The Worship Team is looking for actors and a director for a skit to be performed during the combined worship on April 29. We are seeking the following actors: 1 teenage male, 1 teenage female, and 2 adults. Rehearsals will begin in early March. If you have an interest in participating in worship through drama, please contact Cheryl Mills 404-771-3719.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP - March 4, 2018

Chapel

Informal Traditional

8:15

THE SCRIPTURE READINGRev. Whit Byram
John 4:4-7 (*Pew Bible, Page 752*)

THE MEDITATION“We’ll Keep the Light on for You”Rev. Byram

COMMUNION(see back of page)

Sanctuary

Contemporary

8:55

ACOLYTESCale Lee and Carson Lee

CHILDREN'S SERMONMr. Kyle Parker

THE SCRIPTURE READINGRev. Whit Byram
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COMMUNIONNo. 12

THOSE WHO SERVE: 8:55 AM

8:55 SS Greeters/Ushers: Tom and Carol Lehman

Praise Band: Kyle Parker (leader and vocals), Chris Parker (vocals), Jeremy Thomas (bass guitar), and Brendan Forrest (percussion and keyboard); **Tech:** Max White

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CAIRO FIRST
March 4, 2018

Third Sunday in Lent

Christian Color: White

Sanctuary

Traditional Worship

11:00

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Whit Byram

THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLESCale Lee and Carson Lee

THE PRELUDEMr. Ed Self and Mrs. Megan Lokey
God So Loved the World - Wyrzten/Hustad

(The prelude is a prayerful preparation for the worship of God)

THE CALL TO WORSHIPPsalm 95

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship,

People: let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;

Leader: for he is our God

People: And we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Leader: With grateful hearts, may we be willing to lose all; that we may gain all.

People: Our faith in Christ saves us. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF THE CROSSNo. 159
Lift High the Cross

*THE RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

THE ANTHEMAmy Amaro, flute and Chancel Choir
In Remembrance - Red

THE MORNING PRAYERDr. Ed Lyon

*THE HYMN OF ASSURANCENo. 295
In the Cross of Christ I Glory

THE OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Byram

THE OFFERTORYMr. Self
O Sacred Head Now Wounded - Bach

*THE DOXOLOGY AND PRESENTATION OF GIFTSNo. 95

THE SCRIPTURE READINGRev. Byram
John 4:4-7 (Pew Bible, Page 752)

THE MEDITATION“We’ll Keep the Light on for You”Rev. Byram

THE SERVICE OF COMMUNIONNo. 12

Invitation, Confession and Pardon

The Musical Meditation*Lamb of God - Christiansen* . . .Vocal Ensemble

The Great Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Commitment

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNIONNo. 721

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSEGreen Supplement No. 3040
You Are My All in All

*THE BENEDICTIONRev. Byram

*THE POSTLUDEMr. Self
In the Cross of Christ I Glory - Haan

THOSE WHO SERVE: 11:00 AM

Greeters: Carroll Hopkins, Prentiss Mitchell

Bulletin: Patsy, Gene Maddox

Ushers: Gene Smith

SS Greeters: Azalee Wight SS Class

Altar Guild: Cheryl Mills, Charlene Powell

* Please stand as you are able.

^ Please come forward at this time if you wish to unite with this Christian fellowship. The doors are always open for those desiring to become members.

Please sign the attendance register.



Notices/Events

SMALL GROUPS:

Post High School/Young Adult Sunday School class will be meeting in the chapel during the 10-11:00 Sunday School hour. We will begin with an overview of the Old Testament especially as it relates to events in the New Testament. For information contact Carol Lehman or Elizabeth Watkins.

TWO YOGA CLASSES:

Chair Yoga will continue every Monday at 10:00 AM in the fellowship hall. This is a great way for beginners to start doing yoga.

Mat yoga classes will be held at 1:30 PM on both Mondays and Wednesdays at Kasey Oliver's gym, Cairo Acrobatics.

BOOK CLUB:

Will next meet on April 15th to discuss *Same Kind of Different as Me* by Ron Hall and Denver Moore

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:

Will meet Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 10 am in the Pairs and Spares Sunday School classroom. You are welcome to attend.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP: Will meet on Sunday evenings at 5:00 pm.

CHURCH NIGHT SUPPERS:

Please make reservations for the meals by calling the church office or filling out the form below and placing in the offering plate even if you have had reservations in previous years. Permanent reservations must be honored unless cancelled by noon on Tuesday. \$4.00 adults, \$2.50 for children under 12. Maximum family charge is \$13.00 for those living in the same household.

_____ 3/7/18 _____ Permanent

Name _____

_____ No. of Adults _____ No. of Children (3-11)

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Directory

- Rev. Whit Byram *Pastor*
- Mrs. Ruth Sims *Adm. Assistant*
- Mrs. Jamie Allen . . . *Preschool Director*
- Mr. Kyle Parker . . . *Director - Contemporary
Worship, Youth, & Family Ministries*
- Mrs. Jodi Kindred . . *Children's Director*
- Dr. Ed Lyon *Minister of Music*
- Mr. Ed Self *Organist*
- Mrs. Megan Lokey *Pianist*
- Church Office 229-377-3051
- Emergency Number 229-377-1017

EMAILS: When sending emails to the church office, please use one of the following addresses:

adm.cairofum@syrupecity.net
cairofum@syrupecity.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!