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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (1867-2018)

Celebrating Our 151st Year

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CHURCH STAFF NEWS

(Staff Parish Relations Committee – Charles Davis, Chair)

Rev. Whit Byram

In the United Methodist Church this time of year is referred to as Appointment-Making Season. From roughly February through April, Bishop Lawson Bryan (South Georgia Annual Conference Episcopal Leader) and the Appointive Cabinet have met and are meeting with clergy and SPRC's to prayerfully make decisions regarding local church pastoral leadership for the 2018-2019 appointment year.

A high number of clergy retirements has made this Appointment Making Season very challenging. In years such as this one, unexpected changes in pastoral leadership can occur. As was done last year, appointments will be released at the same time, to local churches on April 29 and to the public, via the Conference website (www.sgaumc.com).

God works through our UM system of open itineracy. Please continue to keep Bishop Bryan, the Cabinet, South Georgia local churches and clergy, our congregation here at Cairo First and the Byram family in your prayers.

Kyle Parker

In May of 2016, Kyle returned to our congregation after accepting the part-time position of Contemporary Worship Leader for our 8:55 a.m. service. In June of 2017, Kyle accepted the full-time and new position of Director of Contemporary Worship, Youth, and Family Ministries.

After much thought and prayer, Kyle has announced his resignation effective Sunday, May 20, 2018. We appreciate Kyle and his musical gifts and graces. He will always be welcome at Cairo First. We wish Kyle all God's best as he joins Dannyelle, Grayson and other family members at another congregation.

In the days ahead, the SPRC will work closely with the Worship Committee, Contemporary Worshipers, Youth Council and Youth Parents as we move forward together.

| Worship Preview: | |
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| Text: | John 19:38-20:2 Psalm 4 Luke 24:36b-48 |
| Title: | "A Great Truth" |

ROSEBUD ON THE ALTAR:

The rosebud on the altar is to celebrate the arrival of **Mya Brooks Chapin**, born April 2, 2018 to bless the home of Kit and Lee Chapin, and brother and sister, Kai and Sailor. Proud grandparents are Chloe and Chuck Thomas.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

The pastor and members of Cairo First UMC extend their deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Smith and family in the death of her father, **MR. JAY LYNN JOHNSON**, Empire, LA.

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MRS. HELEN E. KNIGHT

By: Dale & Kaye Helms

SS LESSONS ON WAR ROOM:

Beginning April 8 during the SS time, the Pairs and Spares SS class will have a five-week study on the movie, War Room.

All are invited to participate and are welcome to join the class for this series

SATURDAY, APRIL 21st — Our Annual Spring Fling Picnic

(5:00-7:00 pm) At the home of Kenneth and Martha Hawthorne. Hamburger, hot dog supper provided, yard games. Please take a lawn chair and any yard games that you might be willing to share that afternoon.

If you are not involved in a Sunday school class, you are asked to bring chips and snack sides.

Sunday school classes have been assigned the following:

Cephas & New Hope - Tables, chairs set up and take down, Pairs & Spares - Lettuce, Tomato, and Buns, Burleigh Law - Baked Beans, Azalee Wight - Desserts, Aldersgate/Fellowship - Tea & Lemonade

CONGRATULATIONS:

To Brendan Forrest upon being selected a senior superlative at CHS. To Fletcher Sheffield upon winning the state title for extemporaneous speaking at the GISA Literary Meet.



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

AT HOME:

Mr. Bob Anderson
Mrs. Bonnie McMillan (mother of Keri Hopkins)
Mr. Henry Andrews
Mrs. Carolyn Brown
Mrs. Zena Brown
Mr. Ray Butler
Mr. Keith Campbell
Mr. & Mrs. A.B. Clark
Mrs. Nan Crawford
Mrs. Minnie Jenkins (Sisters of Sally Miller)
Mr. Craig Cutchens
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Gainous
Mrs. Jennette Gandy
Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Godwin
Mrs. Sammy Harper
Mr. & Mrs. Tom Hopkins
Dr. Bob Kral
Mrs. Louise Lloyd
Mrs. Pat Manny
Ms. Melanie McNair
Mr. Roger Murphy
Mr. Pat Perkins
Mr. Billy Rathel
Miss Aubrey Walden (granddaughter of Rodney, Cindy Turner)
Marilyn Wright, Gerald Anderson, Cecil Gibbs - Michelle Thornton's family members
Mr. Alan Young

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**

CHURCH HISTORY AVAILABLE

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

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED

LIVING RESIDENTS:

MAGNOLIA PLACE:

Mrs. Joan Cassels
Mr. Ronald Hall
Mrs. Helen Williams

BAINBRIDGE, GA:

Mr. Sam Inabinet

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



Week of
April 15-April 21
2018

Sunday, April 15:

- * 8:15 am Early Worship / Chapel
- * 8:55 am Contemporary / Sanctuary
- * 9:45 am Sunday School
- * 11:00 am Traditional / Sanctuary
- 3:00 pm District Conference
@ Albany First UMC
- 5:00 pm Woman's Bible Study
- 5:30 pm Children's Activities
Youth Activity

Monday, April 16:

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

Tuesday, April 17:

- 6:00 am Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 am Ladies' Prayer Group

Wednesday, April 18:

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

Thursday, April 19:

- 8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6

Friday, April 20:

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

Saturday, April 21

- 5:00-7:00 pm Spring Fling
@ Kenneth and Martha Hawthorn's

*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

- April 16:** John Braxton Carnline, Elizabeth Joyner
- April 17:** Cindy Higdon
- April 18:** Betty Phelps, April Reckford
- April 19:** Debbie Davis, Aubrey Singletary
- April 20:** Fenner David, Christie Sanders
- April 21:** Brayden Meissner

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 4/8/18

| | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| 8:15 am |21 |
| 8:55 am |61 |
| 11:00 am |111 |
| Weekly Receipts |\$9,323.53 |
| Weekly Needed |TBD |
| Received to Date - Op |\$140,574.32 |
| Designated |\$ |
| Bucket Brigade |\$116.46 |

BUCKET BRIGADE:

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

Offerings for April will go to the Backpack Ministry.

Thanks for your donations.

OUR VISITORS, APRIL 8, 2018:

Registered: Clayton Osteen, Mallory Waggoner, Lorraine Ferri, Sandra Osteen, Mike Elchenko, Judith Wray

ONLINE GIVING:

Through our website (www.cairofumc.org), we offer the convenience of online giving. Donors can pay their tithe, contribute to various funds, and establish recurring transactions, all with great ease. Once at our website choose "Online Giving" in the navigation menu to make a contribution. If you need assistance or have questions, please contact the church office: adm.cairofum@syrupcity.net or (229) 377-3051.

CELEBRATION:

Henry K. Erwin will celebrate his 98th birthday on May 2. He would love to have calls and cards from his friends to help celebrate this occasion. He is possibly the oldest retired minister in our conference, serving CFUMC from 1968-1972. His address is **530 Liberty St, Waynesboro, GA 30830**: Phone # is **706-231-2423**.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...JODI

email: jdforgione@gmail.com
text: 229.263.1350

- May 6th VBS planning meeting during SS in fellowship hall. If you would like to be apart of VBS this year please come.
- Sunday evening activities start back this Sunday, April 15th at 5:00 pm.
- Wednesday April 18th we will watch the preschool program at CNS.

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...KYLE

email: kyle.fordpro.parker@gmail.com
text: 229.220.3225

Our youth have started on a new series studying growth. We are going to be learning that growth can be measured physically, mentally and spiritually. I am excited to teach this and look foward to see what our youth get out of it and bring home to you!

Save-the-Date

Mike Thornton (229.403.9881) and Miriam Funderburk (229.327.5733).

SUNDAY, APRIL 22nd — Food and Fellowship Gathering

On the Vashti campus. Arrive at 4:00 p.m. and plan to eat at 5:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 5th — "Make a Difference" Day

The goal is to clean it out and begin to get it ready for regular community outreach opportunities.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP - April 15, 2018

Chapel

Informal Traditional

8:15

THE SCRIPTURE READINGRev. Whit Byram
 John 19:38-20:2 (*Pew Bible, Page 768*)

THE SERMON "A Great Truth"Rev. Byram

Sanctuary

Contemporary

8:55

ACOLYTESSarah Sheffield

CHILDREN'S SERMONMrs. Cheryl Mills

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THOSE WHO SERVE: 8:55 AM

8:55 SS Greeters/Ushers: Tony Sheffield

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

April 15, 2018

Third Sunday of Easter

Christian Color: White

Sanctuary

Traditional

11:00 am

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Whit Byram

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

THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLESSara Lokey and Sarah Sheffield

THE PRELUDEMr. Ed Self and Mrs. Megan Lokey
Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It - Kirkpatrick/Rogers

*THE CALL TO WORSHIPThe Great Fifty Days of Easter

Leader: Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

People: No more let sins and sorrows grow.

Leader: For Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

*THE HYMN OF PRAISENo. 327
Crown Him with Many Crowns

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITHThe Apostles' CreedNo. 881

*THE RESPONSE*To God Be the Glory (vs.1)*No. 98

*THE RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

THE ANTHEMChancel Choir
Lift High the Cross - Nicholson

THE MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYERDr. Ed Lyon

*THE HYMN OF ASSURANCENo. 707
Hymn of Promise

THE OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Byram

THE OFFERTORYMr. Self
Idyll - Wolford

*THE DOXOLOGY AND PRESENTATION OF GIFTSNo. 95

THE SOLOMr. Alan Young
Until Then - Hamblen

THE SCRIPTURE READINGRev. Byram
John 19:38-20:2 (Pew Bible, Page 768)

THE SERMON "A Great Truth"Rev. Byram

THE PRAYER OF RESPONSECongregation
**Almighty God, you give us the joy of celebrating our Lord's resurrection.
Give us also the joys of life in your service, and bring us at last to the full joy
of life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSENo. 389
Freely, Freely

*THE BENEDICTIONRev. Byram

*THE POSTLUDEMr. Self
Rejoice, the Lord Is King - Page

THOSE WHO SERVE: 11:00 AM

Greeters: Carroll Hopkins, Harrold Ragan

Bulletin: Marjorie Ragan, Jeannete Shiver

Ushers: Jim Rinker

SS Greeters: New Hope SS Class

Altar Guild: Mary Lyon, 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 meets on 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, May 3, 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.

_____ 4/18/18 _____ Permanent
Name _____
_____ No. of Adults _____ No. of Children (3-11)

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Directory

- Rev. Whit ByramPastor
- Mrs. Ruth SimsAdm. Assistant
- Mrs. Jamie AllenPreschool Director
- Mr. Kyle ParkerDirector - Contemporary
Worship, Youth, & Family Ministries
- Mrs. Jodi KindredChildren's Director
- Dr. Ed LyonMinister of Music
- Mr. Ed SelfOrganist
- Mrs. Megan LokeyPianist
- Church Office229-377-3051
- Emergency Number229-377-1017

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

adm.cairofum@syrupcity.net
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!