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Worship God
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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (1867-2018)

Celebrating Our 151st Year

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A Word from Pastor Christy

Cairo First United Methodist Church

presents

The Glory of Christmas

presented by

CFUMC Chancel Choir

Sunday, December 16

Two services:

8:30 and 10:30 in the morning

NEW MEMBER:

We welcome Mr. Randy Bearden as the newest member of our family of faith. Randy comes by transfer of his membership from First Baptist Church. Welcome Randy

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MRS. CAROLYN C. BROWN

By: Mr. & Mrs. Jon Johnson

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Will be presented on Sunday, December 16, at 8:30 am and 10:30 am in the sanctuary.

The children will be singing a song during the cantata.

Brian and Stacy Morgan will be participating in the Advent Candle Lighting.

PARSONAGE OPEN HOUSE:

Special thanks to all of you who attended the parsonage open house last Sunday. A big thank you goes to Louise Anderson, Christy Bandy, Miriam Funderburk, Pam Mason, Carole Oates, Joy Smith and Monteen Stewart for helping with the items for the reception; and to Annette Giddens, Carolyn Stafford and Carolyn Trawick for serving as hostesses; to Claire Chason, Sonya Porter, Joy Smith, Sarah Timmerman and Celeste Tyler with assisting with decorating.

FLOWER CALENDAR:

For 2019 has been posted. If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary, please sign up or call the church office to do so.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Dec. 16 - 8:30 and 10:30 am - *Cantata*

Dec. 23 - Regular Worship Times

Dec. 24 - 5:00 pm - *Christmas Eve Communion Program*

Dec. 30 - 9:30 am - Meet and Greet
9:45 am - Sunday School
10:45 am - Joint Worship

Dec. 31 - 5:00 - 6:00 pm - *New Year's Eve Come-and-Go Communion*
11:30 pm - 12:30 - *New Year's Eve Come-and-Go Communion*



Daily Advent Readings for your weekly home worship:

Sunday, Dec. 16th – Isaiah 13:6-13, Psalms 63 & 98, Hebrews 12:18-29, John 3:22-30

Monday, Dec. 17th – Isaiah 8:16-9:1, Psalms 41 & 52, 2 Peter 1:1-11, Luke 22:39-53

Tuesday, Dec. 18th – Isaiah 9: 1-7, Psalm 45, 2 Peter 1:12-21, Like 22:54-69

Wed. Dec. 19th – Isaiah 9:8-17, Psalm 119: 49-72, 2 Peter 2:1-10a, Mark 1:1-8

Thurs. Dec. 20st – Isaiah 9:18-10:4, Psalms 50, 59 & 60, 2 Peter 2:10b-16, Mark 3:1-12

Friday, Dec. 21nd – Isaiah 10:5-19, Psalms 40 & 54, 2 Peter 2:17-22, Matt. 11:2-15

Saturday, Dec. 22rd – Isaiah 10:20-27, Psalm 55, Jude vv. 17-25, Luke 3:15-20

Sunday, Dec. 23th – Isaiah 42: 1-12, Psalms 24 & 29, Ephesians 6:10-20, John 3:16-21

PAPER DONATIONS:

Donations of paper towels and toilet paper need to be turned in no later than December 16.

XYZ:

The next XYZ meeting will be January 15.

Birthdays

December 16: Bob Jones, Charlee Oliver, LeVerne Whigham

December 17: Calla Collins, Crystal Ford

December 18: Dale Helms

December 19: Nick Trull, Marielle Youmans

December 20: Miriam Funderburk, Charles Giddens, Maxwell Jowers

December 21: Brittany Myers

December 22: Tara Thomas



Week of
December 16-Dec. 22
2018



Remember in Prayer

OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)

Sunday, December 16:

- * 8:30 am Cantata
- * 9:30 am Social Time
- * 9:45 am Church School
- * 10:30 am Cantata
- 5:30 pm Youth

Monday, December 17:

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

Tuesday, December 18:

- 6:00 am Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 am Ladies' Prayer Group
- 6:30 pm Preschool Christmas Program

Wednesday, December 19:

- 5:00 pm Chancel Choir at Magnolia Place
- 5:50 pm Meal
- 6:30 pm Age Level Activities
Youth Cake Auction
- 7:15 pm Chancel Choir at Carrouths

Thursday, December 20:

- 8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6

Friday, December 21:

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

*Nursery for children, birth thru three.

ARCHBOLD:

Mr. T.D. David

THOMASVILLE, GA:

Mrs. Jan Simmons
 Ms. Peg Thomas

AT HOME:

Mr. Bob Anderson	Mr. Tom Hopkins
Mr. Henry Andrews	Mrs. Deborah Hudson (Step-Mother of Robert Hudson)
Mrs. Zena Brown	Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jones
Mr. Billy Bundrick	Dr. Bob Kral
Mrs. Angela Chastain (Daughter of Carolyn Trawick)	Mr. Howell McKinnon
Mr. A.B. Clark	Ms. Melanie McNair
Mr. Craig Cutchens	Mrs. Nan Crawford
Mr. David Elkins	Mrs. Minnie Jenkins (Sisters of Sally Miller)
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Gainous	Mr. Roger Murphy
Mrs. Jeanette Gandy	Carolyn & Bobby Palmer
Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Godwin	Annette Prince
Mrs. Sammie Harper	Mr. Billy Rathel

DACULA, GA

Mrs. Emily Gandy

TALLAHASSEE, FL:

Mrs. Marjorie Blair (Mother of Debbie Davis)
 Mrs. Betty Jones

BOISE, ID:

Mr. Doug Ricks (Brother of Marilyn Ricks)

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

New Additions in Bold

OUR VISITORS, DECEMBER 9:

(Registered) LaVonne, Nancy, and Chet Childers

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED

LIVING RESIDENTS:

MAGNOLIA PLACE:

Mr. Jack Hall, Mr. Ronald Hall, Mrs. Dot Moses
 James, Mrs. Helen Williams

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

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 12/2/18

8:15 am	.....	.22
8:55 am	.....	.65
11:00 am	.....	.133
Weekly Receipts	.....	.\$21,166.00
Weekly Needed	.....	.\$11,530.98
Received to Date - Op	..	.\$427,742.10
Designated	.....	.\$350.00
Bucket Brigade	.....	.\$107.19

BUCKET BRIGADE:

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

Offerings for December will go to the Storm Recovery. Thanks for your donations.

THOSE WHO SERVE: 11:00 AM

Greeters: Carroll Hopkins, Mike Mills
Bulletin: Kenneth Gale
Ushers: Herbert W. Wind
Altar Guild: Barbara Barrineau, Linda Wood

* 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.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES:

If you are not currently attending a Sunday School class, there are several options and you would be welcome to visit any or all of the classes.

- **Aldersgate/Fellowship:** Older adult class with Sarah Smith or Chris James as the teacher.
- **Burleigh Law:** Mostly couples that have grown children and grandchildren. Various members rotate teaching.
- **Azalee Wight:** Mostly couples, some retired, others still working. Various members rotate teaching
- **Pairs and Spares:** Mixed group of singles and couples
- **New Hope:** Young adults (35+) with teenage children
- **Cephas:** Young adults with small children

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...*JODI*

email: jdforgione@gmail.com
text: 229.263.1350

- The children will be singing in the Christmas cantata December 16th at 8:30 & 10:30.
- We will continue studying the fruits of the spirit on Wednesday night.

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...*ADRIENNE*

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

- The annual Youth Cake Auction will be held at Wednesday night supper on December 19. This is the only fundraiser for the youth so please make plans to attend. We are asking for donations of cakes, pies, cookies or candies. In response to suggestions from previous auctions, we are asking for all goodies to be homemade with love instead of store bought. Proceeds will go towards youth trips and towards our sponsorships and support of Vashti missions.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CAIRO FIRST
December 16, 2018

Third Sunday of Advent

Christian Color: Purple

Sanctuary

Traditional Worship

11:00 am

THE WELCOMERev. Christy Bandy

THE PRELUDEMr. Ed Self and Mrs. Megan Lokey
It Came Upon the Midnight Clear - Smith

THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLESCale Lee and Carson Lee

THE ADVENT READING WITH PEOPLE'S RESPONSE

People: Today we give thanks for the shepherds among us, back-breaking laborers on whom our economy stands, those we overlook or rarely see, yet rely on for our very survival, the ones who have much to teach us about watching for God in the darkness.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Light the Advent candle, three; Think of humble shepherds, who filled with wonder at the sight of the child of Christmas night.

*Candle, candle burning bright, shining in the cold winter night.
Candle, candle, burning bright, fill our hearts with Christmas light.*

THE OFFERTORY PRAYERReverend Bandy

THE RECEIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

THE CHRISTMAS CANTATA

The Glory of Christmas

By Lloyd Larson

The Chancel Choir and the Children's Choir

Olivia Wind - *Mary* and soloist

Fletcher Sheffield - *Joseph*

Carrie and Seth Stanaland - narrators

1. The Glory of Christmas

Congregation: *Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains. And the mountains in reply echo back their joyous strains. Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

2. Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning

3. Prepare the Way of the Lord!

4. Child of Promise, Child of Love. (Olivia Wind, soprano)

5. Jesus is Born Tonight! (featuring FUMC Children's Choir)

6. Christ is Born This Holy Night

7. Guide Us to the Perfect Light

*THE SCRIPTURE READINGRev. Bandy
Philippians 4:4-7 (Pew Bible, Page 832)

THE SERMON "Joy"Rev. Bandy

*THE GLORY OF CHRISTMAS FINALEChancel Choir and Congregation

*O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels
O come, let us adore Him.*

*Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above
Glory to God, all glory in the highest
O come, let us adore him*

*THE BENEDICTIONRev. Bandy

*THE POSTLUDEMr. Self
Joyous Proclamation - arr. Caudill



Notices/Events

SMALL GROUPS:

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 Sunday January 13th at 5:00 PM to discuss *United Methodists Divided - Understanding our Differences Over Homosexuality* by Dale McConkey

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:

Will meet Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 10:00 am in the Pairs and Spares Sunday School classroom. All are welcome to attend.

JOB OPENING:

Applications for a part-time youth leader are being accepted. Please submit your resume to Dr. Clair McCaskill or Rev. Christy Bandy.

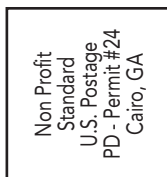
CHURCH NIGHT SUPPERS:

You will need to make reservations for the meal weekly or to renew your permanent reservation. Reservations should be made by noon on Tuesdays. Permanent reservations must be honored. Cost for the meal is \$4.00 per adult, \$2.50 for children 2-11. Family charge is \$13.00 for those living in the same household.

Name _____

Adult No. _____ Children No. (3-11) _____

Permanent Week of **Dec. 19**



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318 S. BROAD STREET
CAIRO, GA 39828

Directory

- Rev. Christy Bandy*Pastor*
- Mrs. Ruth Sims*Adm. Assistant*
- Mrs. Jamie Allen*Preschool Director*
- Mrs. Jodi Kindred*Children's Director*
- Mr. Brian and Mrs. Stacey Morgan*Contemporary Worship Leaders*
- Dr. Ed Lyon*Minister of Music*
- Mr. Ed Self*Organist*
- Mrs. Megan Lokey*Pianist*
- 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@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!