



## THE BULLETIN

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Worship God Build Community  
Grow in Christ Bless the World



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** (1867-2018)

*Celebrating Our 151st Year*

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Rev. Christy Bandy, Pastor

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### A Word from Pastor Christy

*Revelation 21:5 – “Then He who sat on the throne said, ‘Behold, I make all things NEW’.....” (NKJV)*

The New Year can often bring a mixed bag of emotions and memories for many of us. Some may have just experienced the best year ever and look forward to an even greater one looking ahead. Others may have just trudged through one deep struggle after another. The fresh calendar year brings desperate hope for things to be better, with an ache for the still-fresh wounds to slowly begin their process of healing.

Whether you’ve just walked through the greatest year of your life, or are incredibly glad to see this one finally over, one truth still rings. God is “with us” Immanuel. On the heels of the celebration of the birth of our King, Savior, and Lord, that reminder has the power to carry us right into a fresh, new start. The ONE on the throne is Immanuel, “God With Us.” And, remember although things and people around us shift and change, our God never changes.

### A New Year Prayer!

Dear God,

Thank You that You make all things new. Thank You for all that you’ve allowed into our lives this past year, the good along with the hard things, which remind us how much we need you and rely on your presence filling us every single day. We pray for your Holy Spirit to lead us each step of the New Year. We ask that You guide our decisions and turn our hearts to deeply desire You above all else. We ask that You open doors needing to be opened and close the ones needing to be shut tight. We ask that You help us to release our grip on the things to which You have said “No”, “Not Yet”, or “Wait.” We ask for help to pursue You first, above every dream and desire within our hearts. In the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN

*Matthew 6:33 – “Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.” (NKJV)*

Happy NEW Year!

*Pastor Christy*

\*excerpts from Debbie McDaniel

**ROSEBUD ON THE ALTAR:**

The rosebud on the altar today is to announce the arrival of **Milo Liam Meissner** born December 16, 2018 to bless the home of Scott and Katie Meissner.

**MEMORIALS:**

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

**MRS. CAROLYN BROWN  
MRS. PATRICIA MANNY**

By: Mr. & Mrs. Henry Andrews

**MRS. ROSEMARY THOMPSON**

By: Mr. & Mrs. David McCurry

**MR. JACK HALL**

By: Mr. & Mrs. Philip Almon  
Mr. & Mrs. Pat Perkins  
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Smith

**MRS. HELEN HUGHES  
FOREST AND SUSANNE LOVETT**

by: Ms. Brenda Coy

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**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*

**SPR COMMITTEE MEETING:**

Wednesday, January 2nd - 5:30 pm in the Azalee Wight SS classroom.

2019-2021 SPR committee members are: Claire Chason - *chair*, Laura Hopkins, Mike Bishop, Justin Amaro, Will Bundrick, Prentiss Mitchell, Jarrett Harrison; Ron Spooner - *lay delegate* and Chris James - *lay leader*;

**MILITARY:**

*Please remember our members of the military.*

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

**CHURCH OFFICE:**

Will be closed Monday and Tuesday in observance of New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES:**

For 2019 will available in the hallway downstairs. Please look for yours and pick up at your convenience.

**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.

**FIFTH SUNDAY DONATIONS:**

Please bring your non-perishable food items on Sunday. The food will be donated to the Help Agency for those in need.

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# 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Service

10:45 am  
December 30th

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## Birthdays

**December 30:** Keri Hopkins

**December 31:** Tyson Allen, Claire Chason, John Floore, Pat Perkins, Julian Rawls

**January 1:** Joy Smith, Susie White

**January 3:** Grace Harrell

**January 4:** Sara Jane Cannon, Ethan McGhin, Evan McGin, Monteen Stewart, Nick Thrower

**January 5:** Jennifer Hand



Week of De. 30, 2018  
through  
Jan. 5, 2019

**Sunday, December 30:**

- \* 9:30 am Meet & Greet
- \* 9:45 am Church School
- \* 10:45 am Combined Worship

**Monday, December 31:**

5:00-6:00 pm and  
11:30 pm-12:30 am Come-and-Go  
Communion  
*Office Closed*

**Tuesday, January 1, 2019:**

*No Activities*

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

**Wednesday, January 2:**

5:30 pm SPR Committee  
*No Activities*

**Thursday, January 3:**

8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6

**Friday, January 4:**

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

\*Nursery for children, birth thru three.

**OUR VISITORS, DECEMBER 23:**

(Registered) Jimmy Spearman;  
Hayden Knight; Emily, Chris Hagan;  
Kevin, Alaina, Vivi, Girma, Nora  
Jane, Noble Gray; Mya Wray



**Remember in Prayer**

**OUR KNOWN ILL: (AS OF TUESDAY)**

**ARCHBOLD:**

Mr. Wayne Pitchford

**THOMASVILLE, GA:**

Mrs. Jan Simmons  
Ms. Peg Thomas

**AT HOME:**

Mr. Bob Anderson	Mrs. Deborah Hudson
Mr. Henry Andrews	(Step-Mother of Robert Hudson)
Mrs. Zena Brown	Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jones
Mr. Billy Bundrick	Dr. Bob Kral
Mrs. Angela Chastain	Mr. Howell McKinnon
(Daughter of Carolyn Trawick)	Ms. Melanie McNair
Mr. A.B. Clark	Mrs. Nan Crawford
Mr. Craig Cutchens	Mrs. Minnie Jenkins
Mr. David Elkins	(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
Mr. Tom Hopkins	Mr. & Mrs. Doug Simmons
	<b>Mr. Seth Stalaland</b>

**DACULA, GA**

Mrs. Emily Gandy

**TALLAHASSEE, FL:**

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

**JACKSONVILLE, FL**

Mr. T.D. David

**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**

**NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:**

**MAGNOLIA PLACE:**

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 - 12/23/18**

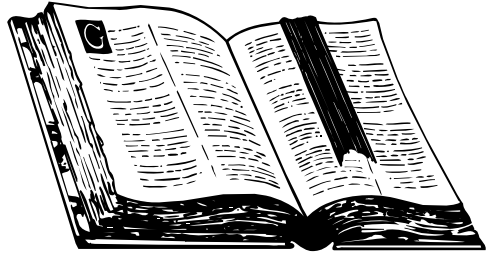
8:15 am	.....	.30
8:55 am	.....	.68
11:00 am	.....	.135
Weekly Receipts	.....	\$12,660.00
Weekly Needed	.....	\$11,530.98
Received to Date - Op	..	\$446,057.10
Designated	.....	\$10,5528.11
Bucket Brigade	.....	\$153.86

**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.

# Sunday School



## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES:

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.

- **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

A graphic for the year 2019. The numbers are stylized and colorful. The '2' is blue, the '0' is a rainbow gradient, the '1' is blue, and the '9' is red. The background is light blue with white snowflake patterns.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...**JODI**

email: [jdforgione@gmail.com](mailto:jdforgione@gmail.com)  
text: 229.263.1350

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.*

*We will resume Wednesday night activities after the first of the year.*

## YOUTH MINISTRY

NEWS FROM...**ADRIENNE**

email: [abharrison1@hotmail.com](mailto:abharrison1@hotmail.com)  
text: 229-254-2546

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CAIRO FIRST  
December 30, 2018

First Sunday after Christmas Day

Christian Color: White

Sanctuary

Traditional Worship

10:45 am

THE WELCOME .....Rev. Christy Bandy

THE PRELUDE .....Mr. Ed Self  
*Gesu Bambino - Yon*

THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES .....

THE HYMN OF PRAISE .....No. 250  
*Once in Royal David's City*

\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH .....The Apostle's Creed .....No. 881

\*THE RESPONSE .....*Gloria Patri* .....No. 70

\*THE RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP .....Rev. Bandy

THE ANTHEM .....Chancel Choir  
*The Glory of Christmas -Larson*

\*THE MORNING PRAYER .....Rev. Bandy

\*SONGS OF PRAISE .....Brian and Stacy and Praise Band

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER .....Rev. Bandy

THE OFFERTORY .....Mr. Self  
*The Snow Lay on the Ground - Jordan*

\*THE DOXOLOGY AND PRESENTATION OF GIFTS .....No. 95

\*THE SCRIPTURE READING .....Rev. Bandy  
*Luke 2:41-52 (Pew Bible, Pages 489)*

THE SERMON .....*"From the Cradle to the Cross"* .....Rev. Bandy

\*INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE ^ .....No. 2251  
*Go Tell it on the Mountain*

\*THE BENEDICTION .....Rev. Bandy

\*THE POSTLUDE .....Mr. Self  
*Angels We Have Heard on High - Bock*

**THOSE WHO SERVE: 10:45 AM**

Greeters: Carroll Hopkins, Smiley Gale  
Bulletin: Dale Helms, Gene Smith  
Ushers: Ron Spooner  
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.

**Worship Team:** Brian Morgan - *acoustic guitar, vocals*; Stacey Morgan - *vocals, keyboards*;

**Tech:** Randy Bearden - *audio*;



## 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. (2-11) \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent  Week of Jan 9

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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 Office . . . . . 229-377-3051
- Emergency Number . . . . 229-377-1017

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

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[cairofum@syrupecity.net](mailto: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!