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Worship God  
Grow in Christ

Build Community  
Bless the World



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** (1867-2020)

*Celebrating Our 153rd Year*

**318 South Broad Street • Cairo, Georgia 39828-2717**

Rev. Christy Bandy, Pastor

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## A Word from Pastor Christy

To the CairoFUMC family and friends,

For the past several years, the Trustees Team discussed the need to replace the carpet in the main Sanctuary of the Church building and Office area. However, since Hurricane Michael in October of 2018 and the Tornado in March of 2019, the Trustees Team worked on immediate needs on the various church buildings. Due to the fall hazard and danger of the current carpet, the Trustees Team once finished with those repairs retained several estimates and felt that our locally owned J & J Carpets is the company to hire. The cost of replacing the carpet will be \$22,000. In addition, when exploring the needs and replacing the carpet, the Trustees Team recommended that the current pews be looked at since the pews will have to be removed in order to replace the carpet. After calling at least four pew companies, only one company would even look at and offer their services. That company is Summitt Seating, LLC out of Canton, Georgia. Through months of discussion and a sales representative coming on-site, the Trustees Team recommended to the Finance Team and to the Laity Council a proposal to replace the carpet and pews. (Noting that refurbishing the current pews would be 89,000.00 or more to do because of the labor involved. To have new pews made and installed will be right at \$45,000.00.)



The recommendation from the Trustees Team was approved by a majority vote of the Finance Team and the Laity Council. In addition, the Trustees Team has insurance money left from the Tornado damage and has allocated those monies for the replacement of the carpet.

There is a need to raise \$50,000.00 through a Capital Campaign drive to replace the pews. {You also will have an opportunity to purchase one of the current pews for yourself. Short Pew - \$100 / Long Pew \$150. This will help generate a little money toward the new pews.}

As the Finance and Trustees Teams work together to be financially responsible, we want you to have an opportunity to support the updating and refreshing of the Sanctuary.

Make your plans to support this Capital Campaign through your prayers first and foremost. Second, if you wish to purchase one of the current pews please contact the church office. And Third, make a contribution to the Capital Campaign for the replacement of the pews.

I personally want to Thank You for your financial faithfulness and continued generosity to the Cairo First UMC Mission, Ministry, and Offerings.

If you need any information or have any questions, please contact Mr. Robert Hudson, chair of the Trustees Team.

*Pastor Christy*

**ALTAR FLOWERS:**

The flowers on the altar today are placed there by the Manny family, Charles, Richard and Lois, in loving memory of **MRS. PAT MANNY**.

**ROSEBUDS ON THE ALTAR:**

One rosebud on the altar today is to announce the arrival of **Larry Waylon Ford** born July 27, 2020 to bless the home of Tommy and Crystal Ford. Proud grandparents are Larry and Katherine Cook and Sandy Ford.

One rosebud on the altar today is to announce the arrival of **Annie Laurie David** born August 11, 2020 to bless the home of Parrish and Kim David, Sandersville, GA.

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:**

The pastor and members of Cairo First UMC extend their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of **MRS. IRIS SMITH**; to Mr. & Mrs. Carroll Hopkins and family in the death of her father, **MR. RUSSELL WOOD**, Autaugaville, AL.

**MEMORIALS:**

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of:

**MRS. BATTEY COFFIELD**  
**MRS. DOT FOSTER**

By: Mr. & Mrs. Herbert W. Wind  
Rev. & Mrs. Ike Powell

**MRS. ALICE SMITH**

By: Mr. & Mrs. Herbert W. Wind

**MR. JOHNNY CARROUTH**  
**MRS. IRIS SMITH**

By: Rev. & Mrs. Ike Powell

**IN HONOR GIFT:**

A gift has been given to the church in honor of:

**ANNIE LAURIE DAVID**

By: Rev. & Mrs. Ike Powell

**UPPER ROOMS/DAILY BREAD**

**DEVOTIONAL BOOKS:**

Are available at the church office. Please stop by to pick one up.

**WELCOME BACK TO WORSHIP:**

As we return to in-person worship, please remember the following:

- \* To wear a mask
- \* To allow your temperature to be taken before entrance
- \* To wait to be seated
- \* To exit sanctuary, begin at the back pew and leave allowing 6 feet between each person or family group
- \* To practice social distancing
- \* To NOT shake hands OR HUG
- \* To stay home if you have a fever or do not feel well.

**NURSING HOME/ASSISTED**

**LIVING RESIDENTS:**

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**MAGNOLIA PLACE:**

Mrs. Jeanette Gandy, Mr. Ronald Hall,  
Mrs. Helen Williams

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**CAMELLIA GARDENS, THOMASVILLE, GA:**

Mr. Ken Lindgren

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**GLENN-MOOR, THOMASVILLE, GA**

Mrs. Betty Jones

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**SOUTHERN PINES, THOMASVILLE, GA**

Mrs. Rosemary Hetzendorfer

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**PRESBYTERIAN HOME, QUITMAN, GA:**

Mrs. Opal Prince

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**REMINGTON HEIGHTS, OMAHA, NE:**

Mrs. Jane Wilkinson

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**DISCOVERY VILLAGES, SUWANNEE, GA:**

Mrs. LaVonne Childers

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**CHESTNUT RIDGE, CUMMINGS, GA**

Mrs. Vivian Childs

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**CARLYLE PLACE, MACON, GA:**

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Skinner

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**ST PETER, MO:**

Mrs. Joyce VanLandingham

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**BRENTWOOD, TN:**

Dr. Bob Kral



**Birthdays**

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS:**

**August 23:** T. J. Lehman, Charles Manny, Dave Perkins, Macy Thrower

**August 24:** Irven Singletary

**August 27:** Rebecca Davis, Jeff Jolly, Diane Spooner

**August 28:** Nolan Duncan, Will Porter

**August 29:** Carole Oates



# Week of Aug 23-29 2020



## Remember in Prayer

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

### Sunday, August 23:

- 8:15 am Traditional Informal  
in large Fellowship Hall
  - 9:00 am †Contemporary Worship
  - 11:00 am †Traditional Worship
- No Activities*

### Monday, August 24:

*No activities at the Church*

### Tuesday, August 25:

*No activities at the Church*

### Wednesday, August 26:

- 5:00 pm Handbells (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:15 pm Virtual Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Ensemble / Recording

### Thursday, August 27:

- 8:30 am Service on CNS Channel 6

### Friday, August 28:

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

\* Nursery for children, birth thru three  
† Live streaming

### AT HOME:

- Mr. Henry & Mrs. Annette Andrews
- Mr. Wayne Chason (uncle of Melissa White)
- Mrs. Angela Chastain (Daughter of Carolyn Trawick)
- Mr. A.B. Clark
- Mr. Arthur & Mrs. Belinda Clark
- Miss Sandra Clark
- Mr. Sammy & Mrs. Lynn Culver (Brother and  
sister-in-law of Randy Bearden)
- Mr. Ronnie Cox
- Mr. David & Mrs. Catherine Elkins
- Mr. Larry & Mrs. Dot Gainous
- Mr. Bobby & Mrs. Gail Godwin
- Mrs. Sammie Harper
- Mr. Fred
- Mrs. Deborah Hudson (Step-Mother of Robert Hudson)
- Mr. Bob Jones
- Mr. Tommy Lackey (Brother-in-law of Nell Mitchell)
- Mr. Randy and Mrs. Dawn LaCombee (Daughter, son-in-  
law of Barbara Barrineau)
- Mr. Ken LeGette
- Mr. Richard Manny
- Mrs. Maxie McAteer
- Mr. Jim McKinney (Son-in-law of Louise Anderson)
- Mr. Howell & Mrs. Eleanor McKinnon
- Mrs. Faye Miller
- Mr. Lewis Oliver
- Mr. Pat & Mrs. Susan Perkins
- Mr. Harold & Mrs. Marjorie Ragan
- Mr. Billy and Mrs. Sandy Rathel
- Mrs. Sandee Rinker

### OCALA, FL:

- Mrs. Chris Voyles

### DACULA, GA:

- Mrs. Emily Gandy

### TALLAHASSEE, FL:

- Mrs. Marjorie Blair (Mother of Debbie Davis)
- Mr. Robert Garment
- Mrs. Doris Rehberg (Mother of Nell Owens)

### BOISE, ID:

- Mr. Doug Ricks (Brother of Marilyn Ricks)

### BIRMINGHAM, AL:

- Mr. Justin Sanders (Brother of Matt Sanders)

### LYNCHBURG, VA:

- Mrs. Lyn Robinson

The Church and its ministries, the Church Staff  
and all Church members. **New Additions in Bold**

### AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP - 8/16/20

8:15 Worship	.....18
9:00 Worship	.....35
	.....live stream 34
11:00 Worship	.....21
	.....live stream 38
Weekly Receipts	.....\$6,275.00
Weekly Needed	.....\$10,984.74
Received to Date - Op	...\$256,635.11
Designated	.....\$840.00
Bucket Brigade	.....\$135.51

### BUCKET BRIGADE:

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

Offerings for August will go to our teachers for supplies. Thanks for your donations. Donations can be made by check designating that it is to go to the bucket brigade offering.

As you are not physically able to put money in the buckets each Sunday, you can include a little extra in your check and designate the amount you wish to go to the Bucket Brigade offering.

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP - August 23, 2020

**Large Fellowship Hall**

**Informal Traditional**

**8:15**

THE SCRIPTURE READING .....Rev. Christy Bandy  
Psalm 133

THE SERMON .....“SERIES: The Unknown” .....Rev. Bandy  
Jesus’ Presence

**Sanctuary**

**Contemporary (with Live Stream)**

**9:00**

THE CHILDREN’S MOMENT .....Video

THE SCRIPTURE READING .....Rev. Christy Bandy  
Psalm 133

THE SERMON .....“SERIES: The Unknown” .....Rev. Bandy  
Jesus’ Presence

*Children will remain in the sanctuary throughout the service.  
There will be NO NURSERY OR CHILDREN’S CHURCH.*

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## THOSE WHO SERVE: 9:00 AM

**9:00 SS Greeters/Ushers:** Ronnie Cox, Mike Mills;

**WORSHIP TEAM:** Brian Morgan - vocals, guitar; Stacey Morgan - vocals, keys ;  
Myra Easom - Vocals; Scott Easom - Bass Guitar; David Wortham - Drums

**TECH:** Randy Bearden - audio; Nathan Hartsell - video;

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## STUFF THE BOX:

The Grady County Board of Education is asking for school supply donations from August 20 through September 3. Boxes will be located at the church for items collected. The supplies will be used by teachers for their classrooms. Donations may include pencils, tissues, hand sanitizer, etc.



## CHURCH OFFICE IS OPEN:

Due to the Covid-19, the church office is open from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. **We do ask that you wear a mask if you visit the office in person.**

If you have an immediate need after those hours, please do not hesitate to call 478-662-0328, 377-1017 or 403-0428.

Bills will continue even though we are not physically meeting at the church together for worship or other activities. You may still mail your contributions to 318 S. Broad Street, Cairo, 39828 or use the on-line giving option.

Remember to go to the church website, [www.cairofumc.org](http://www.cairofumc.org) for live streaming or to view previous service.

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## PICTORIAL DIRECTORY DATE CHANGE:

We will be having pictures made for a new pictorial directory in February 2021.

Photography dates have been set for Monday through Friday, February 22 - 26 from 1:00 - 8:00 pm., and Saturday, February 27, from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm.

All safety protocols will be in effect during photography sessions.

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CAIRO FIRST

August 23, 2020

Twelveth Sunday after Pentecost (Kingdomtide)

Christian Color: Green

**Traditional Service — Sanctuary (with Live Stream)**

**11:00 am**

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS . . . . .Rev. Christy Bandy

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY . . . . .Mrs. Amy Amaro and Mrs. Megan Lokey  
*First Arabesque - Debussy*

THE CALL TO WORSHIP - Litany for Christian Unity . . . . .Rev. Bandy

L: Let us ask the Lord to strengthen in all Christians faith in Christ, the Savior of the world.

**P: Listen to us, O Lord.**

L: Let us ask the Lord to sustain and guide Christians with His gifts along the way to full unity.

**P: Listen to us, O Lord.**

L: Let us ask the Lord for the gift of unity and peace in the world.

**P: Listen to us, O Lord.**

*Let us Pray:* **We ask you, O Lord, for the gifts of your Spirit. Enable us to penetrate the depth of the whole truth, and grant that we may share with others the goods you have put at our disposal. Teach us to overcome divisions. Send us your Spirit, to lead to full unity your sons and daughters in full charity, in obedience to your will; through Christ our Lord. AMEN.**

THE HYMN OF PRAISE . . . . .words on screen  
*And Are We Yet Alive (vv. 1, 3, 4, 6)*

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH . . . . .The Apostles' Creed . . . . .Dr. Ed Lyon

THE RESPONSE . . . . .*Gloria Patri* . . . . .words on screen

THE MORNING PRAYER AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER . . . . .Rev. Bandy

THE SPECIAL MUSIC . . . . .Mrs. Cheryl Mills and Dr. Lyon  
*In Times Like These - Jones*

THE SCRIPTURE READING . . . . .Rev. Bandy  
Psalm 133 - words on screen

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION . . . . .words on screen  
*Jesus, United by Thy Grace (vv. 1, 2, 3, 6)*

THE SERMON . . . . .SERIES: The Unknown . . . . .Rev. Bandy  
**"Jesus' Presence"**

THE CLOSING HYMN . . . . .words on screen  
*We Are The Church (vv. 1, 2, 5)*

THE BENEDICTION . . . . .Rev. Bandy

THE CLOSING VOLUNTARY . . . . .Mr. Self  
*Come, All Christians, Be Committed - Johnson*

————— *(Please be dismissed at the direction of the greeters/ushers.)* —————

*NOTE: You are asked NOT to sing during the service.  
Please use the Hymns and Special Music  
as a time to meditate on God's Sermons in Song.*

## THOSE WHO SERVE: 11:00 AM

Greeters/Ushers: Herbert Wind, Dale Helms

Altar Guild: Jackie McCurry, Ruth Sims

**NEW REHEARSAL SCHEDULE:**

Handbells will resume rehearsals **August 19th** from 5 pm to 6 pm in the large fellowship hall.

New rehearsal times

- 5:00 pm** Handbells (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:15 pm** Virtual Rehearsal on Facebook
- 7:00 pm** Ensemble/Recording Sessions

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**BOOK CLUB:**

Will meet Sunday, August 30th at 5pm in the Fellowship Hall to discuss *Crescendo* by Allen Cheney

**KEEPING IN CONTACT:**

Relevant messages about church activities may be found on our Facebook page. If anyone does not, or cannot, get the Facebook messages, please let us know.

If you are not getting the telephone messages from the church, perhaps we do not have a correct telephone number. Please contact the church of-fice and give us the telephone number at which you wish to be contacted.

**NURSERY DIRECTOR POSITION AVAILABLE:**

If you are interested in the position of nursery director at the church, please contact Rev. Bandy at [cjbandy3@gmail.com](mailto:cjbandy3@gmail.com) or 478-662-0328 for a job description and further information.

# Directory

- Rev. Christy Bandy . . . . .*Pastor*
- Mrs. Ruth Sims . . . . .*Adm. Assistant*
- Mrs. Jamie Allen . . .*Preschool Director*
- Mrs. Jessica Cox Lee . .*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 Numbers . . . .*478-662-0328*  
*229-403-0428*

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

[adm.cairofum@syrupcity.net](mailto: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!

**CHURCH NIGHT SUPPERS:**

Have been suspended temporarily due to the health concerns of the coronavirus. When the ban is lifted, suppers will resume. Watch the bulletin for details as plans progress.

# We're making progress at Cairo FUMC!

For the past several years, the Trustees committee has been steadily solving the problems brought on by Hurricane Michael (October 2018), the tornado (March 2019), plus the everyday problems that crop up on our church campus. We prioritized and tackled the immediate needs. (new roof, old parsonage, carpet in the offices).

Currently, the issues are the carpet and the pews inside the sanctuary. We have followed protocol by investigating all reasonable options. We presented the results of our findings to the Finance committee then to the Laity committee who passed it. Now, we are updating our church family and friends as to where we are in this process.

The carpet in the sanctuary is buckled and is a tripping hazard. After considering several estimates to replace the carpet (same color) we have chosen J&J carpets (locally). The estimate from J&J for removing the old carpet, pews, and installing new carpet is about \$22,000. To replace the pews in the sanctuary, it would cost us about \$50,000.

We need to raise \$50,000 through a capital funds drive to replace the pews. You will have the opportunity to purchase one or more of the old pews (\$150 for the long pews and \$100 for the short pews) by contacting the church office.

## **Background information for the decision to replace the pews vs. refurbishing the pews.**

In doing our research, we originally thought we would refurbish the 66 year old pews (installed in 1954). We reached out to 3 different companies; none of which would even look at the old pews. Summit Seating, Inc. out of Canton, Georgia, offered to remove the old pews, break them down, take them to their factory in Canton, repair, refurbish, and bring them back to Cairo where they would reassemble them and install them. The price for this is about \$89,000 and is very labor intensive. It would cost us \$50,000 to buy new pews.

### Current Pews

- Our current pews do not meet industry standard for spacing. Pews should be set 18 inches apart, from the back of one to the front of the one behind it. Our pews are set about 11 inches apart.
- Our current pews have the raised center divider that makes it uncomfortable to slide across the pew.
- Our current pews do NOT allow for handicapped members. Anyone in a wheelchair would have to sit in the middle aisle of the church or in the front of the church.
- Our current pews are set at an 90° angle to the wall, leaving an awkward angle for viewing.

## New Pews

- The new pews would be set a comfortable distance from the pew in front of it; the required 18 inches.
- The new pews would not have the raised center divider; the seating would be smooth from one end to the other.
- The new pews would have handicap accessible ends on the wall side of the church. These ends would not have the panel. Instead, it would be easy for a member to slide from the wheelchair to the pew. It is easier for anyone with a cane, a walker or in a wheelchair to come to church.
- The new pews would have the lumbar support for the lower back and would be more comfortable.
- The new pews would be white with red cushions, just like we have.
- The new pews are solid wood pews with a 25 year warranty. There is no warranty on refurbishing. This guarantee covers everything except the fabric which is warranted by the fabric manufacturer and would have a Teflon coating. Under the seat,  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch cabinet grade plywood (MDF) would be used. All finishes are hand applied; there is no spraying. There would be a stained wood support (not white) in the middle of the pews. This is better for scuffing.
- The new pews would be assembled in the church and anchored to the floor. They would also be set at a slight angle, which is best for viewing.

We need to replace the money we will take out of our reserves to pay for this project. Please support the Pew Campaign with your prayers.

One of the ways we would like to raise the money for the new pews would be to sell the old pews. As a committee, we agreed that the long pews would go for \$150 each and the short pews for \$100 each. If you purchase a pew, you are welcome to pick out a cushion to go with it, free of charge.

Also, if possible, please contribute to the Capital Campaign. Thank you for your financial faithfulness and continued generosity to our church.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Robert Hudson, Chairman of the Trustees Committee.