

Connection Card
August 17, 2025

Please Select
1stTime Guest
Regular Attendee
Member
Emerge
Traditions

Name:
Address:
City: State Zip
Phone: Cell:
E-Mail:
Spouse's Name
Children:
I Prefer Contact By: text call email
I would like to sign up for the e-mail news

Wednesday Night Supper August 20
Adult Children Permanent

How did you hear about Cordele First?

My Stage in Life is:

College Twenty-something
Single Adult Young Couple
Family Empty Nesters

I am interested in:

Baptism
Joining the Church
Info on Small Grps & Sunday School
Getting involved and serving
Contact from one of the Ministers
Prayer:



Small group/class discussion guides and lesson plans for this series are available on the church website at cordelefirst.com/sermons. The 9:00 Emerge Service is live streamed and available to watch on YouTube at youtube.com/@cordelefirst5426.

1. Freedom cannot mean doing \_\_\_\_\_, as individuals, \_\_\_\_\_ to our \_\_\_\_\_.
'I will keep your law continually, forever and ever. I shall walk at liberty, for I have sought Your precepts.' -Psalm 119:44-45
2. Christian freedom is lived only in \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ which means:
'For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.' -Galatians 5:1
A. \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ is maintained and nurtured.
'Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ.' -Ephesians 4:12
B. Our \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.
'If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.' -John 8:31-32
C. We are \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_ of serving \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ gods.
'We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin.' -Romans 6:6-7

SUNDAY
10:00 am Sunday School/Pastor's Coffee
3:00 pm Safe Sanctuary meeting
6:00 pm Adult Leader Training
MONDAY
6:30 pm Handbells
TUESDAY
9:00 am Food Bagging
6:30 pm Celebrate Recovery
7:00 pm NP Bible Study
8:00 pm Emerge Band Rehearsal
WEDNESDAY
10:00 am Bible Study
5:30 pm WNO resumes
6:15 pm Adult Bible Study, Yth & Child sm grp
THURSDAY
8:00 pm Nuevo Pacto rehearsal
FRIDAY
SATURDAY

Get In Contact With Us...

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Office Hours are Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
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CORDELE first CHURCH
The Week of August 17, 2025
9 AM Emerge Worship
'You Keep Using That Word. I Do Not Think it Means What You Think It Means'
1 Corinthians 6:12-15 (CEV)
Rev. Larry Rollins
Songs being played in worship this morning
Tremble | Bethel
1000 Names | Phil Wickham
Goodness of God | CeCe Winans
Stand in Your Love | Josh Baldwin
11 AM Traditions Worship 10th Sunday after Pentecost
Welcome and Time of Fellowship
Prelude Barbara Eschmann
\*Opening Hymn Tell Out, My Soul vs 1,2,4 No. 200
Morning Prayer/The Lord's Prayer
Celebrating Our Tithes and Offerings Barbara Eschmann
\*Doxology No. 94
\*Offertory Hymn Here I Am, Lord No. 593
Anthem Total Praise Chancel Choir
The Word Proclaimed Rev. Rollins
'You Keep Using That Word. I Do Not Think It Means What You Think It Means'
\*Celebrating Holy Communion No. 12
\*Closing Hymn Take My Life and Let it Be vs 1,2 No. 399
\*Benediction
Postlude Barbara Eschmann
\*Please stand, if able
\*\* Offerings left on the altar after communion will go to our benevolence fund.

News & Events

Hispanic Worship Celebration  
August 31  
worship  
5th Sunday Combined Service 11:00am  
Service in the Activities Center. Lunch to follow.

Bring a dessert to share with the meal provided by the Hispanic congregation

first church MEN  
ROOTED  
Studies in Colossians  
Tuesdays at Sucheros 12-12:30

Prayer Concerns

New Prayer Concerns

Bo Slenker-on Hospice  
Sympathy to: Felicia and JD Scarborough in the death of her niece, Candace Weems

Previous Weeks

Sympathy to Carlton Greer in the death of his mother, Angie.  
Richard Payne

WNO resumes this Wednesday

Be sure and sign up for the supper by using the QR code or by signing up on the connection card and dropping it in the collection plate. It can either be a permanent reservation or on a weekly basis. Adult are \$10, Children (under 10) \$5, and a family max of \$30. Come and enjoy fellowship around the table with others and then plan to stay for the bible study at 6:15 led by Larry. Youth and Children’s groups meet at the same time.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT  
OUT  
DINNER STUDY FELLOWSHIP MUSIC  
Dinner & Fellowship 5:30 | Classes 6:15-7:00  
Adults \$10 | Children (under 10) \$5 | Max family \$30

Chancel Choir and handbells have resumed and with an increase in attendance in both groups. This is exciting and we welcome anyone who would like to join us.  
Handbells-Mondays at 6:30 pm in Rm 215  
Ch Choir-Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in Rm

Pray for Our Shut Ins

At Home  
Joe Cook Melody Whitaker  
Carla Payne (at Kimberly’s)  
Cordele Health & Rehab  
Patti Hunt Rm 109 ; Eddie McLemore Rm 403;  
Cordelia Manor-Fellowship Home  
Sandra Windham  
Oaks at Oakland Plantation-Arleeta  
Henry-166 Oakland Pkwy, Leesburg, GA 31763  
Carlyle Place| Tish Haley Stafford Suites Rm 102  
The Phoenix @ Lake Joy  
Sandra Duckworth  
Military members serving  
Pilcher Thornton

Daily Devotions & Scriptures

Monday, August 18 Read Psalm 119:33-49

Complete individual license results in anarchy where only the strongest and most ruthless dominate. How do good guidelines- limits, if you will- ensure true freedom? How might the psalmist answer that question as regards the commandments and statutes that God sets for us? What does v.45 mean for followers of God?

Tuesday August 19 Read Isaiah 61:1-10

This is one of the Messiah prophecies (see Jesus’ use of it in Luke 6). Though Jesus did indeed heal and comfort, what is the larger view of life under God’s anointed pictured in this entire passage? What is truly liberating about the vision offered here, not just for the People of God but for each of us as individual disciples? What is being said to your life personally?

Wednesday, August 20 Read John 8:31-43

In this series we’ve defined “truth” as something we can only understand by knowing God and God’s Way. Note this doesn’t mean we can create truth to suit our own tastes. With that in mind, what does Jesus mean in vv.31-32? How does following Jesus’ make us truly free? What are we freed from?

Thursday, August 21 Read 1 Corinthians 6:12-15

There are so many things that enslave us by convincing us they are good or necessary or indispensable. Apparently the church in Corinth understood their freedom in Christ as license to do whatever they wanted, all to their ultimate detriment and damage to their witness. How would Paul define freedom? Slavery? How does the second half of v.13 help us explain these definitions?

Friday, August 22 Read Romans 6:1-14

In a fallen world we are enslaved to the falsely perceived values of material things, human praise, and our own egos and self-centeredness. Take a moment to reflect on how much energy and resources we direct towards achieving these false values, then re-read this passage. In light of these reflections, what is meant by “resurrection (v.5)” and being “crucified with Christ (v.6)?”

Saturday, August 23 Read Galatians 5:1-6

The crisis in Galatia was based on a false understanding that new Christians had to submit to something else first (in this case the laws and rules of Judaism) before they could be considered Christians. What sorts of qualifiers or limitations or doubts do we put on our own discipleship that makes faith limiting rather than liberating? How can we avoid such mistakes?

By The Numbers

EMBRACE 461

Total Attendance in Worship

Emerge: 343| Traditions: 80

Nuevo Pacto: 38

Total Missions Attendance

SOUL Food:

Outreach Communion:

INVEST 409

Total Groups and Classes

Adults: 285

Youth: 72 | Children: 52

ADVANCE

Given this week:	\$20,806.00
Budget Receipts:	\$18,417.00
Weekly Needs:	\$21,538.00
Designated Gifts:	\$2,389.00

Year to Date

Non-Budget Giving	\$46,766
Budget Needs	\$689,216
Budget Giving	\$639,855

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