

News & Events



Join us Sunday, August 2, during Emerge for our Blessing of the Backpacks. Students of all ages are invited to bring their backpacks as we pray over them and ask God's guidance, protection, and blessings for the upcoming school year.



New sermon series starts next Sunday, Aug 2.



The Men’s Lunchtime Bible Study resumes **August 4th** Tuesdays, 12-12:30 pm at Sucheros

Daily Devotions & Scriptures

Monday, July 27 Read Psalm 141:3-5
The phrase “oil of the wicked (v.5)” is used in scripture usually to refer to smooth and deceitful words and things that lure us away from God and God’s purposes. We need self-control to resist such temptations of our sinful human nature. What exactly is the psalmist asking for in the first part of v.5 and what does that mean specifically for you if this were your prayer?

Tuesday July 28 Read Proverbs 16:32; 25:28 & Hebrews 12:11
This sampling of proverbial wisdom illustrates the value of self-control. Though it might feel good to let go of control and do “whatever I want,” the ultimate costs are not worth it. Boundaries and discipline are best understood as protection from a world that is eager to destroy us. Prayerfully reflect on what your “walls of self-control” are protecting you from. What are the advantages of self discipline?

Wednesday, July 29 Read Mark 9:43-48
So often our earthly desires seem so very important and vital. Here, Jesus used hyperbolic language to shock us back to remembering the real state of affairs. Is the thing we want or the person we are angry at really worth separating ourselves from God? No matter how much we think we may need it (hands and feet are important, after all!), when laid alongside eternity they become quite small indeed. What tempts you away from God? Discuss it with him in prayer today.

Thursday, July 30 Read James 1:16-21
Much of our anger or reckless impulses are rooted in not getting our way. James, like the proverbs and psalms earlier, calls us to slow down, reflect and look to God’s righteousness (look closely at v.20). Hr is also clear that such self-control comes from a connection to the Spirit. According to v.18, why does God want us to develop self-control?

Friday, July 31 Read 2 Peter 1:5-9
Vv. 5-7 lay out a series of building blocks that a life of fruit-bearing discipleship should be built upon. Take a few moments to reflect on those blocks and what each means to you and how they connect to each other in your own life experience. What is God saying to you personally in this passage, particularly in v.8. How will you respond?

Saturday, August 1 Read Galatians 5:13-26
We close the series by returning to our foundational verse but looking at it in context. Look closely at vv.13-15.How might self-control be thought of as “love in action?” All of it reminds us we have only two choice- to live by the flesh and its sin and selfishness or by the Spirit and become more Christ-like. Why do we often choose to be enslaved by the former?

By the Numbers

EMBRACE 460

Total Attendance in Worship
Emerge: 291 | Traditions: 70
Nuevo Pacto: 43

Total Missions Attendance
SOUL Food: 56
Outreach Communion:

INVEST 349

Total Groups and Classes
Adults: 245
Youth: 45 | Children: 59

ADVANCE

Given this week	\$14,805.06
Budget Receipts	\$12,557.31
Weekly Needs	\$22,510.00
Designated Gifts	\$297.75
Renovation/Repairs	\$1,950.00

Year to Date

Non-Budget Giving	\$45,026
Budget Needs	\$652,790
Budget Giving	\$711,068

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Prayer Concerns

New Prayer Requests

Mary Ray-Atrium Health/
Navicent, Macon, critical condition
Jason Faircloth -CRH, bitten by a
rattle snake; **improving**

Previous Weeks

Rodney Coleman prostate cancer
Jewel Wilbanks-cancer diagnosis
Joyce Miller-Blackshear Villa
Jackie Cason-Piedmont Hospital
350 Hospital Dr, Macon, 31217
Sadi Lamarche-cancer

Prayers for Our Shut Ins
At Home

Joe Cook Cindy Jenkins Wanda Lewis
Melody Whitaker
Cordele Health & Rehab
Patti Hunt Rm 109
Cordelia Manor-Fellowship Home
Sandra Windham
Oaks at Oakland Plantation Arleeta
Henry-166 Oakland Pkwy, Leesburg, GA 31763
The Phoenix @ Lake Joy
Sandra Duckworth
Military members serving
Pilcher Thornton, Jesus Juarez, A J Rainey

Connection Card

July 26, 2026

Please select 1st Time Guest
Visitor
Traditions Regular Attendee
Emerge Member

Name::

Address:

City: State Zip

Phone:: Cell:

Email:

Spouse's Name

Children:

I Prefer Contact By: text call email
I would like to sign up for e-mail news

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 Small Groups/Sunday School
Getting involved and serving
Contact from one of the Ministers
Prayer:



1. We are controlled by our sinful _____ unless we allow ourselves to be _____ with God's _____ instead.
2. _____ represents the power to _____ our desires, impulses, and actions, and live _____ lives that honor _____ rather than succumbing to _____ temptations.
3. "We are called to _____ to the Holy Spirit rather than relying on our own _____. This is done through:
- A. Intentional _____ and reliance on God's power.
 - B. Immersing yourself in _____ to _____ your mind with Christ.
 - C. Actively " _____ " sinful desires by making daily _____ that _____ God.

Sunday
10:00 am Sunday School
5:00 pm Adult Leader Training/NO Youth
Monday
Tuesday
9:30 am Staff Meeting
6:30 pm Celebrate Recovery
7:00 pm Nuevo Pacto Bible Study
8:00 pm Emerge Band Rehearsal

Wednesday
10:00 am Bible Study
Thursday
8:00 pm Nuevo Pacto Band Rehearsal
Friday
Crisp Co School System starts back
Saturday

Get In Contact With Us

Rev. Larry Rollins | Lead Pastor
Rev. Tania Montero | Associate Pastor
Rev. Dr. Jonathan Fuller | Assoc. Pastor Pastoral Care & Visit
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July 26, 2026

Rev. Larry Rollins

The Week of
9 AM Emerge Worship
"Airbrakes"
James 1:16-21 (NRSV)

Songs being played in worship this morning
God So Loved | We the Kingdom
Tremble | I Am they
Run to the Father | Cody Carnes
I Know a Name | Elevation Worship

11 AM Traditions Worship 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Time of Fellowship

Prelude Morning Has Broken CUBs/Ukulele Band

*Cokesbury Hymn Sing

Sacrament of Holy Baptism Mark-Andrew Wayne Braswell

*Morning Prayer /Lord's Prayer

Celebrating Our Tithes and Offerings Barbara Eschmann

*Doxology My Hope Is Built vs 1 No. 138

Special Music 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus CUBS

The Word Proclaimed "Airbrakes" Rev. Rollins

*Closing Hymn I Am Thine, Oh Lord No. 139

*Benediction Rev. Rollins

Postlude Barbara Eschmann

*Please stand, if able CCLI# 65829