

## News & Events



**worship**  
5th Sunday Combined Service 11:00am  
in the Activities Center



It's not long, so scan the code above to register, donate or volunteer for VBS.

### Prayer Concerns

#### New Prayer Requests

**Jackie Cason** in a wreck & was airlifted to Piedmont in Columbus, undergoing multiple surgeries.

**Sympathy** to the family of Charles Miller

#### Previous Weeks

**Sympathy** to Dale Steinert in the death of her brother, Johnny

**Bettye Young-** had back surgery 2 weeks ago

**Delmar Roark-** had surgery this week

**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  
Stuart Peebles



Stop by the Welcome Desk today & support the Kids by buying something sweet.



## Daily Devotions & Scriptures

### Monday, May 25 Read Psalm 103:1-18

As you read this psalm reflect on what it says about the God the psalmist knows and praises. What are God's attributes and how does He show them? While the word "fear" (vv.11.13 & 17) usually has negative connotations for us, what might be another way to describe what's being expected here?

### Tuesday, May 26 Read Romans 13:8-10

"Love your neighbor as yourself" is not so much a rule as a gracious way of seeing and connecting with others. It also becomes a habit reinforced by the working of God's Spirit through our obedience. How does being treated as you would wish to be treated change how you interact with others? What does Paul mean when he says this is the one debt we owe?

### Wednesday, May 27 Read John 14:15-24

Love is not a feeling but rather an action, a response to what we know of God in Christ and it's done by keeping Jesus' commandments. List some of those commandments. Why should we respond this way? What is the result, or more accurately, what is God's response when we live into His way (see v.16-17, 21 & 23)?

### Thursday, May 28 Read 1 John 4:16-21

Notice the full circle of John's argument here: Like the vine in John 15, we are called to stay deeply connected to God ("abide") and the more we know Him the less we fear Him and realize God is out for our ultimate good. Then we are empowered to love those around us in the same way. Reflect on how this process is working in your life and where does the connection need to get stronger?

### Friday, May 29 Read Colossians 3:5-17

The "love" mentioned here is, of course, agape, the concept of sacrificial care and a servant-orientation. V. 14 reminds us that it is not only the defining attribute of God but the force that undergirds any good thing we do. According to this passage, how do we connect to this aspect of God. How might v.17 be the equivalent of "plugging into God's Spirit? What does this look like in practice in your life?

### Saturday, May 30 Read 1 Corinthians 13:1-8

Read this through replacing the word "love" with "God (see 1 John 4:16)." How does this alter your reading? Now replace "love" with your name. If we are regularly asking the Spirit to change us ever more into Jesus' likeness, what is the goal and the promise in this reading? Do one more reading, but this time change the declarative statements about love into requests for your own life, as in "Lord, make me more kind..."

## By the Numbers

**EMBRACE 459**

### Total Attendance in Worship

Emerge: 231 | Traditions: 210  
Nuevo Pacto: 18

### Total Missions Attendance

SOUL Food:  
Outreach Communion:

**INVEST 336**

### Total Groups and Classes

Adults: 260  
Youth: 29 | Children: 47

## ADVANCE

Given this week	\$28,515.59
Budget Receipts	\$23,789.59
Weekly Needs	\$22,510.00
Designated Gifts	\$969.00
Renovation/Repairs	\$3,757.00

### Year to Date

Non-Budget Giving	\$32,961
Budget Needs	\$450,200
Budget Giving	\$427,077

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# Connection Card

May 24, 2026

Please select  1<sup>st</sup> Time Guest  
 Regular Attendee  
 Member  
 Emerge  Traditions

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

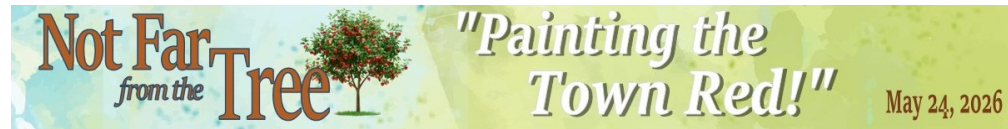
Children: \_\_\_\_\_

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. " \_\_\_\_\_ " is the natural \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_ choice to let the \_\_\_\_\_ lead.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ is the guiding \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_ all other \_\_\_\_\_.

A. Love blossoms when we choose to put \_\_\_\_\_ in another's \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Love grows when we ask what we can \_\_\_\_\_ rather than what we can \_\_\_\_\_.

C. Love results when we make \_\_\_\_\_ like \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_.

**Sunday**  
10:00 am Sunday School  
5:00 pm Renovate Youth  
**Monday**  
church office closed  
**Tuesday**  
6:30 pm Celebrate Recovery  
7:00 pm Nuevo Pacto Bible Study  
8:00 pm Emerge Band Rehearsal

**Wednesday**  
10:00 am Bible Study  
6:30 pm Chancel Choir  
**Thursday**  
8:00 pm Nuevo Pacto Band Rehearsal  
**Friday**  
2:00 pm Youth lake day  
**Saturday**

## Get In Contact With Us

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Office Hours are Mon-Fri  
8:30 am to 4:30 pm  
Appts can be made by  
contacting the church office  
at 229-273-4586

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## The Week of

9 AM Emerge Worship

"Painting the Town Red!"

1 John 4:16b-21 (NRSV)

Rev. Larry Rollins

*Songs being played in worship this morning*

**Praise** | Elevation Worship

**Stand in Your Love** | Josh Baldwin

**Light a Fire/Great Are You Lord** | David Leonard

**O Come to the Altar** | Elevation Worship

11 AM Traditions Worship

Pentecost Sunday

Welcome and Time of Fellowship

Prelude

*I Love You, Lord*

Barbara E

\*Opening Hymn

*God of Grace and God of Glory* vs 1,2,3

No. 577

\*Affirmation of Faith

No. 881

\*Gloria Patri

No. 71

Morning Prayer /Lord's Prayer

Celebrating Our Tithes and Offerings

Barbara E

\*Doxology

No. 94

\*Offertory Hymn

*Go, Make of All Disciples* vs 1,2,4

No. 571

Anthem

*Above All*

Chancel Choir

The Word Proclaimed

"Painting the Town Red!"

Rev. Rollins

\*Closing Hymn

*I Love to Tell the Story* vs 3,4

No. 156

\*Benediction

Rev. Rollins

Postlude

Barbara E

\*Please stand, if able

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