

SERMON PREVIEWS

SEPTEMBER 5TH
8:44 Sanctuary.....Rev. Henry Bass
Communion

SEPTEMBER 12TH
8:44 Sanctuary.....Rev. Mike Mobley
Children's Sunday
"Looking For The One"
Luke 15:1-10

SEPTEMBER 19
8:44 Sanctuary.....Rev. Mike Mobley
"Good Night"
Psalm 4

SEPTEMBER 26
8:44 Sanctuary.....Rev. Mike Mobley
Youth Sunday
"Come and See"
John 1:35-42

SUNDAY SERVICES
8:30 am — Blended Worship (Chapel located in Fellowship Hall)
8:44 am — Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary)
11:00 am — Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
5:00 pm—6:30pm — Bible Studies and Firm Foundations

Wednesday Evening
6:00pm —7:15pm— Church Night Supper and Program

PRESCHOOL CORNER- KATIE ODUM, DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

OPENINGS

Currently, the Preschool has 3 openings in the 3 year old classroom. If you or someone you know has a 3 year old that was 3 by September 1st, have them call the church office or Katie Odum for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PRESCHOOL PICTURES

3's & 4's— Monday, October 25th
2's— Tuesday, October 26th

KID'S NIGHT OUT- SEPTEMBER 17TH 6-9PM - "Luau Night"

Kid's Night Out is open to all preschool families and guests. A nursery will be provided for children 6 months—2 years. Kid's Night Out activities will be for 3 years—5th grade. There is no cost for this event but donations are accepted.

For more information or questions concerning the preschool, please contact Katie Odum at (229) 977-3046 or children@cairofumc.org.

EMMAUS UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's WTE #84 - October 14-17

Women's WTE #85 - October 21-24

Women's WTE #86 - November 11-14 South GA

WTE Gathering at Camp Typgart - December 4

MUSIC MINISTRIES

ED LYON, MUSIC MINISTER
ED SELF, ORGANIST

Bells

Bell Choir has resumed for the fall and we are in need of 3 more bell ringers.

1. Need to be able to read music
2. Commit to Wednesday evening rehearsals during the school year
3. Love to serve the Lord

MESSIAH

The Chancel Choir will present the Christmas portion of Handel's Messiah Sunday evening, December 12, 2010. Rehearsals for the choral parts will begin September 22. The beginning of each choir rehearsal will be for Messiah rehearsal, 7:30-8:00 each Wednesday evening.

If you can come sing with the choir or have relatives or friends that would join us, please invite them or let Ed Lyon know (850-556-4113) so he can invite them.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

October 2 -	Annual Planning Event
October 4 -	Laity Council Meeting
October 10-	Children's Sunday
October 17-	Laity Sunday
October 24-	Youth Sunday
October 24-	Charge Conference
November 7	Fall Festival
November 17	Thankful Program
November 25	Thanksgiving
December 8	Children's Christmas Program
December 12	Chancel Choir presents "Messiah"
December 24	Christmas Eve Communion
December 25	Christmas Day



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Welcome to the first edition of our new church newsletter, *First Family*. We have talked, prayed, and wrestled in the process of producing this communication tool. Our prayer is that this will become a resource that you look forward to reviewing each month. We hope to receive your feedback as we continue to mold this into a valuable part of our church experience.

So, where did the newsletter name come from? Bishop King greets most crowds with a very pleasant, "Hello beautiful people!" Whenever I look at you, I also see a group of beautiful people, but it goes beyond that. You are a family. Communication will keep our families connected throughout the month. Our prayer is that the family of Cairo First UMC will make this *our* newsletter.

In Christ,
Mike

*You can view the newsletter on our website (www.cairofumc.org). Please contact Katie Odum (children@cairofumc.org) if you would like to receive a newsletter by mail.

EDUCATION AND PROGRAMS - REV. MIKE MOBLEY
MINISTER OF PROGRAMS AND FAMILY EDUCATION

Sunday Night Bible Studies Resume!

Registration for the Fall 2010 Bible studies will be Sunday, September 12, 5:00

Here are the studies that are being offered:

"When Christians Get It Wrong" – Joy Smith & Bill Bass Jr.

"Women of Excellence – Being A Godly Woman" – Karen Mobley

"Dare To Be Uncommon" – Mike Mobley & Nat Higdon

Drop by, review the courses, pick your class & order your book!

Bishop's Hour

Bishop King will be at Thomasville FUMC on Sept. 19, 4:00-6:00.

Make your plans to attend this afternoon of worship. Let Mike know if you need a ride.

Annual Planning Event

The APE is scheduled for October 2nd. We will make plans for the 2011 calendar year during this important meeting. Annual reports are due from all ministry leaders at this time. These reports will be used in preparation for Charge Conference.

SEPTEMBER AT A GLANCE

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

- Wednesday, September 1—CNS Wesley Glen
- Sunday, September 5—Communion
- Monday, September 6—Church Offices Closed; 2nd Annual Church Wide Tubing Trip down the Ichetucknee
- Wednesday, September 8—CNS Navajo Mission Trip
- 5th Quarter after CHS Game (Family Worship Center)
- Sunday, September 12—Children's Sunday @ 8:44; Bible Study Registration @ 5
- Monday, September 13—UMM — Mike Thronton
- Wednesday, September 15— CNS Magnolia Manor/Robert Beckum
- Friday, September 17— Kid's Night Out "Luau"
- Sunday, September 19— Bishop's Hour 4-6 Thomasville FUMC
- Tuesday, September 21— XYZ 11:30 (Fellowship Hall)
- Wednesday, September 22— CNS— Cairo FUMC 411/Ministry Night
- Friday, September 24— Fifth Quarter after CHS game (CFUMC)
- Friday, September 24-26 KidzQuest @ Epworth
- Sunday, September 26 Youth Sunday @ 8:44
- Monday, September 27— Staff Meeting @ 4:00, Ladies Meeting @ 6:30
- Wednesday, September 29— CNS Boys and Girls Club

REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

8:30 AM Blended Worship (Chapel)

8:44 AM Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary)

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

MONDAY

9:30 AM Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall)

TUESDAY

6:30 AM Men's Study (Pickle Patch)

9:15 AM Ladies' Prayer Team

3:00 Needlework Ministry (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday

5:00 PM Prayer Ministry (Upper Room)

6:00 PM Church Night Supper

6:30 PM Chancel Choir

Age Level Activities

CHILDREN'S NEWS— KATIE ODUM, DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Something for Every Age Group...

Nursery

Nursery is provided for children from birth to 3 years of age, during all church services, Sunday School, Church Night Supper, Wednesday Night Program, and Sunday Bible studies. The nursery is located downstairs in the Children's Building.

Sunday School

Preschoolers

A preschool Sunday school class is offered for children 3 years old thru Pre K. This Preschool Classroom is located downstairs in the Children's Building.

School Age Children

The Upper Room Bible Village, located upstairs in the Children's Building, is for children K—5th grade. The current rotation is "Making Choices", the scripture memory verse is Psalm 119:30, "I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I have set your ordinances before me."

Children's Church

Children's Church is offered for children 3 years old— 2nd grade during the 8:44 and 11:00 Worship Services. The children will be dismissed out the back of the Sanctuary after the offering is collected.

Firm Foundation

5:00— 6:30 pm on Sunday Evenings

3 Years— 2nd Grade

This younger group meets on the playground and will be given time to play before being taken into the downstairs classroom in the Children's Building for a time of learning about God's Word. A snack supper is served at 6:00.

3rd— 5th Grade

This older group meets on the playground before leaving on the church van for their scheduled activity. Each week they will be engaging in a sports activity and then being taught a lesson about God and what it means to be a Christian. They will return at 6:00 for a snack supper.

KID'S NIGHT OUT— "Luau Night"

Mark your calendars for date night! Kid's Night Out is September 17th from 6-9pm. Ages 3— 5th grade will be allowed to participate in KNO, there is a nursery provided for children 6 months—2 years. There is not cost for this event, however, donations are accepted. This is sure to be a night of "beach style" fun for your child. Supper is provided. So bring your children and go out for a fun night on the town!!!

KIDZQUEST

KidzQuest 2010 is at Epworth by the Sea in St. Simons, September 24—26. We have 10 children going this year. It's not too late to register. If you're interested in going, please call Katie Odum!

NEED TO KNOW MORE.....

If you have any questions regarding the Children's Ministry and any programs offered, please contact Katie Odum. Katie can be reached at (229) 977-3046 or children@cairofumc.org

YOUTH NEWS - MEGHAN RIDENOUR, DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRIES

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

MIDDLE SCHOOL SS CLASS (6TH—8TH GRADES)

LEADER: DEBRA SMITH

CURRENT SERIES: RE:FORM

LOCATION: 3RD FLOOR CLASSROOM

HIGH SCHOOL SS CLASS (9TH—12TH GRADES)

LEADERS: IKE & CHARLENE POWELL

CURRENT SERIES: UPRISING

LOCATION: YOUTH HOUSE

- * Middle School and High School students meet together in the Youth House on the second Sunday of each month, following Meet and Greet.

UNITED METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (UMYF)

6TH—12TH graders meet in the Youth House on Sunday evenings from 5:00—6:30 pm for a time of fun and fellowship. Supper is provided. Please come and invite a friend!

2ND ANNUAL LABOR DAY TUBING TRIP & PICNIC

The Youth will host the 2nd Annual Labor Day tubing trip to Ichetucknee River State Park on Monday, September 6th. This trip is open to all church families & guests. All youth should bring a sack lunch and money for tube rental/park admission. We will leave the church parking lot at 7:30 am.

5TH QUARTER EVENTS

Grady County youth gather after each CHS home game at a different church. Cairo First United Methodist will host this event on Friday, September 24th, following the CHS football game vs. Monroe.

HUNGRY FOR LOVE TOUR

Mark your calendars...the Hungry for Love tour is coming to Christian Heritage Church in Tallahassee on Friday, October 29th, featuring the Afters, Leeland, & Sanctus Real. Check out the 88.1 Way FM website (<http://wayt.wayfm.com/>) for details.

YOUTH SUNDAY SERVICES

The youth are encouraged to participate in the 8:44 Worship Service, on the 4th Sunday of each month. Upcoming Youth Sunday dates include: September 26th, October 24th, November 28th, and December 26th. The youth can help with the announcements, morning prayer, offertory prayer, skits, serving as ushers & greeters, or performing special music during the service.

QUESTIONS?

Any questions about youth related activities or programs should be directed to Meghan Ridenour, Director of Youth Ministries. You can reach Meghan at 516-0901 or youth@cairofumc.org