## Connections!

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Rev. Chris Allen 229-672-2308 Dan Riordan 229-977-6661 Dylan Baker 678-977-2843 Church 229-377-2233

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER **December 27, 2023** NO MEAL!! NO ACTIVITIES!!



#### PARKING LOT/BUILDING SAFETY December 24 Lofley Hinson/Jim Ellis December 31 Gerald Allen/Hubert DeSercev January 7 Chris Howell/Jason Ausmus

DEACON ON CALL December 24, 2023 Cesar Puac 229-977-2846

#### LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday's @ 6 pm (Will resume January 10, 2024)

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday's @ 6 pm



## **Opportunities for Serving**

## TIMES OF SERVICES

Traditional Service-8:15 am Sunday School-9:15 am Contemporary Service-10:30 am Children's Church immediately after the 10:30 am song service (children's department-Pre-K-1st grade) Wednesday Night Activities-6 pm

**END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS** 2023 Contribution Gifts must be received in the church office by the close of business day on January 2, 2024. If you have any questions, please contact our Finance Secretary, Christy Bentley, at 377-2233.

## Giving, Growing & Going

Financial Report - December 17, 2023 **Weekly Budget Needs** 12,807.95 **Total Budget Receipts** 10.455.87 **Special Offerings** 1,000.00 **Budget Needs To Date** 640,209.33 **Budget Given To Date** 619,420,50 **Building & Grounds** 300.00 Sunday School Report- December 17, 2023 Sunday School 156

8:15 am Traditional Service 60

10:30 am Contemporary Service 170

## **December 24, 2023** 10:30 am Combined Service

Welcome

Song of Praise

"Go Tell It On The Mountain"

Congregation

"He Shall Reign Forevermore"

Lighting of Advent Candle

"It Came Upon The Midnight Clear" Song of Praise Congregation

Drama Team "A Charlie Brown Christmas"

(see insert)

Message In Song "Light Of The World"

Praise Team

Soloist: Lindsey Phillips

Children's Church

Children's Department

Words of Life

Chris Allen

Invitation

"Change My Heart Oh God"

Congregation

Benediction

Cesar Puac

## 6 pm Celebration of Light Christmas Eve Service

First Baptist Church of Cairo Mission Statement: First Cairo is a local body of believers fully devoted to God's purpose and plan. We desire to worship God in spirit and in truth, we are committed to care for one another and our neighbors, we are called and commissioned to be fishers of men, and we strive to grow more like Christ each day.

Rev. Chris Allen, Senior Pastor Dan Riordan, Worship Leader Dylan Baker, Youth Pastor Jennifer Woodward, Children's Director Whitney Phelps, Pre-School Director



# DECEMBER PRAYER FOCUS Father God, thank you for sending your Son, Jesus, to be my Savior Isaiah, 9:6





## SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, December 24 Combined Service—10:30 am

## December 24

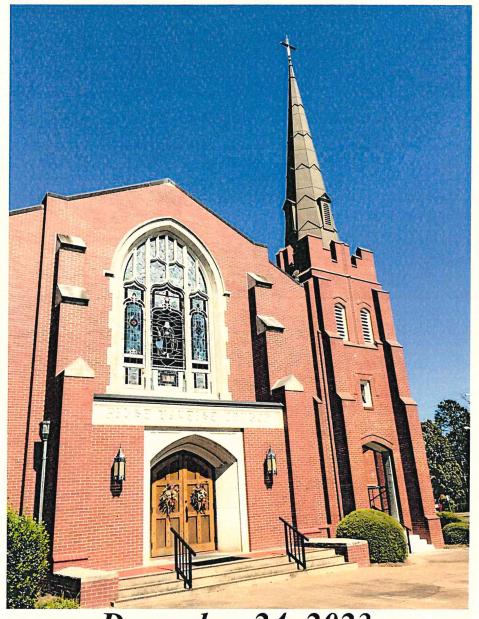
6 pm Celebration of Light Christmas Eve Service

Monday /Tuesday, December 25 and 26 Church offices closed

Wednesday, December 27
No Activities

Sunday, December 31 Combined Service —10:30 am

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CAIRO, GEORGIA



December 24, 2023 10:30 am Combined Service



## Advent: The Reason For the Season Isaiah 53

#### Isaiah 53

- Who has believed our message?
  And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?
- For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot,
  And like a root out of parched ground;
  He has no stately form or majesty
  That we should look upon Him,
  Nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him.
- He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; And like one from whom men hide their face He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.
- 4 Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted.
- But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities;
  The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.
- All of us like sheep have gone astray,
  Each of us has turned to his own way;
  But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all
  To fall on Him.
- He was oppressed and He was afflicted,
  Yet He did not open His mouth;
  Like a lamb that is led to slaughter,
  And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers,
  So He did not open His mouth.



- 8 By oppression and judgment He was taken away;
  And as for His generation, who considered
  That He was cut off out of the land of the living
  For the transgression of my people, to whom the stroke was due?
- 9 His grave was assigned with wicked men, Yet He was with a rich man in His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was there any deceit in His mouth.
- 10 But the LORD was pleased
  To crush Him, putting Him to grief;
  If He would render Himself as a guilt offering,
  He will see His offspring,
  He will prolong His days,
  And the good pleasure of the LORD will prosper in His hand.
- As a result of the anguish of His soul,
  He will see it and be satisfied;
  By His knowledge the Righteous One,
  My Servant, will justify the many,
  As He will bear their iniquities.
- Therefore, I will allot Him a portion with the great, And He will divide the booty with the strong; Because He poured out Himself to death, And was numbered with the transgressors; Yet He Himself bore the sin of many, And interceded for the transgressors.

I. Jesus Came to Take Our	
II. Jesus Came to Take Our	
III. Jesus Came to Take Our Place	– 7-9
V. Jesus Came to Pay Our	10-12

## A Charlie Brown Christmas



Written by: Charles Shulz

Adopted by: Pat Orr

## CAST

Charlie Brown	Ada Gainous
Linus	Jakin Ross
Lucy	Kaitlyn Mitchell
Sally	Alexis Phelps
Pigpen	Charli Singletary
Schroder	Gabe Phelps
Snoopy	Addelyn Phelps
	McCartney Sumner