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FAIRHOPE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
The Gathering: June 20, 2021

OPENING SONG

Love the Lord

Shea White, Praise Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?

We long to hear God's Word spoken to our hearts.

Who among you is seeking God's bright and holy truth?

We long to learn the ways of wisdom and righteousness.

Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?

We long to live lives of holiness and light.

God grants God's wisdom generously to all who ask.

Come near, people of God!

Let us worship in wisdom and truth.

OPENING PRAYER

God of holy wisdom, we are seekers on the way to a deeper wisdom and a wider vision. Our lives are full of information and opinions, but in the midst of it all we long to hear the voice of wisdom – Your wisdom, God –cutting through the noise and teaching us how to live. Give wisdom to our hearts and understanding to our minds. Amen

SINGING OUR PRAISES

*You Are So Good To Me
Come Thou Fount*

CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

OFFERING

Promises Never Fail
Hannah Kingry, soloist

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul.

Pour out upon us the spirit of wisdom and understanding

that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture,

our hearts and minds may be opened to know the things

that pertain to life and holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

TESTAMENT READING

Proverbs 9:1-10

SERMON

"The Power of Wisdom"

Rev. Antonio Christie

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING SONG

Leading Worship Today: Rev. Antonio Christie

Music: Shea White and Praise Band

Media and Sound: Robert Hammon, Jamie Waldhour, Amelia Koser



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PRELUDE

All Nature Sings

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WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

With what shall I come before the Lord?

I will give God my first and my best.

I will not offer to the Lord that which has cost me nothing,

but will return to God every good and perfect gift. Great is God's faithfulness!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Eternal God, our hearts desire the warmth of your love this day. Increase our longing for Christ our Savior and give us the strength to grow in love, that the dawn of his coming may find us rejoicing in his presence and welcoming the light of this truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Hymn #400

THE APOSTLES' CREED

GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (11:00)

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O Lord, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and strength to follow on the path you set before us; through Jesus Christ, **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

First Lesson : Galatians 5:22-25

Second Lesson: Proverbs 25:28

HYMN OF PREPARATION

O Word of God Incarnate
vs. 1 & 4

Hymn #598

SERMON

"A City on a Hill"

Rev. Laura Parker

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN

A Charge to Keep I Have

Hymn #413

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Fanfare on *"God of Our Fathers"*

Penfield

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in honor of what would have been our parents 56th Wedding Anniversary
by Wendy, Robbie and Katie Robertson.

Assisting in Worship Today:

Rev. Laura Parker; Dr. Ann Pearson

Music: John Richardson, Tom Hood

Media: Kaitlyn Hunter

Sound: Robert Hammon, Ann Lyles Tapscott, Peyton Phillips



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Weekly Newsletter

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Adult Sunday School Update...

All of our adult Sunday School classes are now meeting in-person from 9:45-10:40 on Sunday mornings. Class descriptions can be found on our website:

<https://www.fairhopeumc.org/adultsundayschool/>

A few of our classes continue to offer an option to connect by Zoom. If you would like more information about Zoom options...or if you would like help finding a class that is just right for you, please contact:

Rev. Laura Parker, Minister of Discipleship
laura.parker@fairhopeumc.org or 251-928-1148

Caring Ministries...

Hospital Visits...

Your Pastoral staff and I would love to know when you are in the hospital so we can come and say a prayer with you. The hospital is not able to give us hospital admissions information any more so families are going to need to let us know if you want a visit. Please help us stay connected to one another.

New Grief Group begins...

Grief Group meets on Monday at 3:00 pm in B-114 of Wesley Hall. If you or someone you know have experienced a loss of a loved one, dreams that have been shattered and expectations not met, come and be a part of a healing journey as we seek to find peace in our lives. Suzanne Glass and Dr. Ann Pearson will be co-leading the group. For more information, contact Dr. Ann Pearson at 251-928-1148.

Cancer Care Ministry...

Tough Dogs provided our meal for our first Wednesday night dinner. Thank you to the Tough Dogs Team for a wonderful evening.

Tough Dogs Cancer Support Group meets **Tuesday, June 22 at 12:30 pm in B-114.** A zoom option is available upon request from Dr. Ann Pearson.



2021 Summer Book Club

For this summer's fiction reading, we will look at the lives of women who take drastic measures to escape the lives that are before them. These authors reveal the different ways in which these women find opportunities to explore alternatives not necessarily presented to them by birth or circumstance or the choices they have made.



The Midnight Library, Matt Haig (July 13th, 5:30-6:30, Parlor)

Nora Seed makes a drastic decision to escape her life and then finds time standing still for her at midnight, but not really...as she "tries on" a number of different scenarios that could have been how her life played out.



The Vanishing Half, Britt Bennett (August 17th, 5:30-6:30, Parlor)

The Vignes twins dream of something more than what is before them in Mallard, LA, a small town of all light-skinned black residents, so they flee to New Orleans in search of something better. There, their lives eventually diverge and then come back together again after two very different and surprising journeys.

Read one or all. All gatherings are in-person and facilitated by Rev. Laura Parker. Two copies of each book have been ordered and can be checked out from the church office for two-week increments on a first-come-first-served basis. Call 251-928-1148 to check on availability.



OUR VBS RECAP IS WORTH REPEATING ...

Our week of ROCKY RAILWAY VBS was absolutely amazing! I want to thank the 130 youth and adult volunteers who followed their hearts and made the commitment to serve! Because of you, 200 children learned that Jesus' power is at work in all life's circumstances. I'm confident that the children will remember what they learned each day!



Jesus' power helps us do hard things!

Jesus' power gives up hope!

Jesus' power helps us be bold!

Jesus' power lets us live forever!

Jesus' power helps us be good friends!

Each year at VBS, we offer the children the opportunity to make a difference by helping others. After all, that is what God calls us to do. During ROCKY RAILWAY, donations were brought in to support a few different organizations – Housing First, Baldwin County Child Advocacy Center and Baldwin County DHR. The money is being used to purchase items for hygiene kits for those without a home in Baldwin and Mobile Counties and fun summer activities to put in buckets for children in foster care. I am pleased to announce that our VBS families donated over \$1,000 for our mission project!

I'd also like to thank Katja Palumbo and everyone that worked on the wonderful decorations throughout the CLC and Education Building! It took months of planning to get everything ready but in a few short days we were able to transform the buildings to look like we were in the Rocky Mountains. Did you know that each year when our VBS is over, we pass along our decorations to other churches? So far we know that Bay Minette UMC has used them and they will pass them on to Calvary Baptist in Foley and then they will pass them on to others!

Our rising 5th & 6th graders participated in mission projects each day during VBS. Here's what they did this year: put together 500 hygiene kits, served in our Tough Dogs and Pups ministry making 40 chemo care bags, served at Prodissee Pantry, made and delivered 250 lunches to Fairhope city workers, put together 100 summer activity buckets for children in foster care and made 130 thank you bags for our VBS volunteers! I'm so proud of how hard they worked and the difference they made in our community.

Yes, it was indeed a wonderful, powerful five days! I give thanks and praise to God for all he did in us and through us! Thank you church family for all your support!

Blessings,
Michelle Graham
Director of Children's Ministries

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS THIS SUNDAY!

We begin our one-room class for summer in the CLC Fellowship Hall today. This is for rising K-6th grade. Our PK3 and PK4 children will have Sunday School with Mrs. Tina on the nursery wing in the Education Building. We will return to our normal schedule on Promotion Sunday on August 8.

Are you willing to serve 1-2 Sundays to teach? All ages are together for the intro of the Bible story then we break into small groups by grade to discuss and do activities/crafts. Contact Michelle for more information (michelle.graham@fairhopeumc.org or 251/377-2325).

Student Ministries...



Waterville Trip
Wednesday, June 23rd, 10:00am
\$27 per ticket/Sign-up online

Join our group for a trip to Waterville in Gulf Shores on Wednesday, June 23rd! You can make your reservation on our youth page of our church website no later than Sunday, June 20. All 7th-12th graders are invited to join us and invite a friend.



Urban Air Lock-In
Sunday, July 11th, 8:00 pm - 6:00 am
\$30 /Sign-up online

Join our group for a Lock-In and Dodgeball Tournament at Urban Air in Spanish Fort on Sunday, July 11th! You can make your reservation on our youth page of our church website no later than July 7th. All 7th-12th graders are invited to join us and invite a friend!



Neon Night
Sunday, July 18th
7:30 pm-9:00 pm
CLC/7-12 grade

Join our group for a Neon Game Night at the CLC on Sunday, July 18th! Glow-In-the-Dark 9-Square in the Air, Laser Tag and more! Don't miss out and wear your Neon. You can make your reservation on our youth page of our church website no later than July 7th.

PLEASE NOTE OUR JUNE MINISTRY SCHEDULE DUE TO MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIPS. We will resume programming on Wednesday's in July with Student Ministry Bible Study & Volleyball. More information to come!

No Student Ministry Meetings: 6/20, 6/27, 6/30 or 7/4

PLUG-IN TO STUDENT MINISTRY:

Instagram: @fairhopeumc.youth//Facebook: @fhsaltstudents//Text Message Reminders: Text the word "Saltstudents" to the number "43506"

Missions...

H O W A R E W E S E R V I N G ?

JOIN US EVERY FRIDAY!

COMMUNITY CAFE' IS OPEN FOR LUNCH!

11:00AM-1:00PM
DONATION ONLY CAFE'

*WE WILL CONTINUE OUR OUTREACH TO OUR HOMEBOUND &
COMMUNITY FRIENDS!



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JUNE & JULY
5:00PM

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

JUNE 16TH-JULY 28TH

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR GROUPS TO
HELP PLAN MENU, PREPARE & SERVE
WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER
DURING THE SUMMER!**

**FOOD WILL BE PROVIDED BY
CHURCH LIFE MINISTRIES!
CONTACT JENNIFER MYRICK FOR MORE INFO!**

**MENU JUNE 23RD
TACO SALAD**

Recreation Ministry at Fairhope United Methodist Church

Christian Life Center WEEKLY OPERATING HOURS: Mon - Fri 7a-5p 05/07/2021

SUMMER YOUTH GOLF CAMP



This July, we will be partnering with the **Payne Stewart Kids Golf Foundation** to provide a week-long golf camp for youth. The camp will be held in the CLC Gym on **July 12 – 16**. The camp is available to all boys and girls ages 4 -9. There will be two sessions per day, with ages 4-6 from 8:30-11:30am and ages 7-9 from 1:30-4:30pm. To register, go to <https://paynestewartgolf.regfox.com/payne-stewart-golf-camp-fairhope-umc>.

For more information about the Foundation, go to www.paynestewart.org.

UPWARD FLAG FOOTBALL



Upward Flag Football returns for 2021!!

For all boys and girls grades 1-4. All teams will be coed. Games are played on Mondays (3-4 graders) and Thursdays (1-2 graders) at Founders Park in Fairhope.

Registration will begin on **May 17**.

To register, go to <https://registration.upward.org/UPW80172>.

Practices will begin on Aug. 9 and first games will begin on Aug. 30.

SUMMER COED VOLLEYBALL—WEDNESDAYS, 6-8pm



Starting on **June 16**, plan your Wednesdays for FUMC Recreation Ministries Open Volleyball Night. This weekly event is open to everyone! We encourage individuals and families to come and play recreational volleyball (church rules, of course!). The Game Room will also be available for ping pong, billiards, foosball, the arcade machine and any other games you may want to play.

PICKLEBALL —TUESDAYS, 8am-11am THURSDAYS, 1pm-3pm & SUNDAYS from 2:00pm-4pm



Come check out our refurbished Gym floor, with freshly painted lines and adjusted courts to assist in avoiding the basketball goals! There are three weekly options available to play and learn! See the days and times above. Pickleball is a great sport for all ages and playing levels.