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OPENING SONG

Beautiful One

Shea White, Praise Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

As we gather today, we call you

Our Father, who art in Heaven,

As we gather today, we lift up who you are and what you represent

hallowed be your name

As we gather today, We seek your ways, not our own

Your Kingdom come, your will be done...

As we gather today, we say sorry to you and one another

Forgive us as we forgive...

As we gather today, we need you.

Give us this day our daily bread,

Lead us away from temptation,

Deliver us from Evil.

As we gather today, to worship you.

OPENING PRAYER

Father in heaven, in your goodness

you pour out on your people all that they need,

and satisfy those who persist in prayer.

Make us bold in asking, thankful in receiving,

tireless in seeking, and joyful in finding,

that we may always proclaim your coming kingdom

and do your will on earth as in heaven. Amen.

SINGING OUR PRAISES

Graves Into Gardens

I Am Not Alone

CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

OFFERING

Goodness of God (Special by Alivia Dowden)

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, as we turn to your Word for us, may the Spirit of God rest upon us.
Help us to be steadfast in our hearing, in our speaking, in our believing, and in our living.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 4:1-11

SERMON

"Deliver Us From Evil"

Rev. Antonio Christie

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING SONG

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Acolyte: Mary Stella Henderson

Music: Shea White and Praise Band

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PRELUDE

Trio

Krebs

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Like people long in exile, we look to God for hope.

Your word, O God, is not empty;

it is full and accomplishes your purpose.

We open the treasure of our heart, asking God to fill us.

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In the mystery of life and death, we listen attentively.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Spirit of God, ever-present companion,
may your constant presence ignite in us a carefree courage
that we may boldly take part in your kingdom. **Amen.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE #303

The Day of Resurrection

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (8:30)

Hugh Trout Chason
Son of Will and Sable Chason

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS ~ Will and Sable Chason, Allan and Nancy Chason

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

*GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING

Thine is the Glory

arr. McDonald

*DOXOLOGY

11:00 CHILDREN'S MOMENT

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Almighty God, by the power of your Holy Spirit, speak to us in the language of our hearts, that we may hear your Word with understanding and answer your call with confidence.

Amen.

FIRST READING

I Corinthians 15:1, 12-14, 35, 51-57

HYMN OF PREPARATION #707

Hymn of Promise

SECOND READING

Romans 6:1-11

SERMON

"I Believe in the Resurrection of the Body"

Dr. Darren M. McClellan

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CLOSING HYMN #610

We Know That Christ Is Raised

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Allegro

Kittel

*The flowers on the altar are given by Cheri and Jerry Forte
in loving memory of Cheri's mom, Rose Vredevelt, on the anniversary of her Birthday.*

Assisting in Worship Today:

Dr. Darren M. McClellan, Rev. Ontonio Christie

8:30 Acolyte: Judd Determann Crucifier: Elliot Determann

11:00 Acolyte: Hackett Robertson

Music: Tom Hood, John Richardson, FUMC Choir

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Caring Ministries...

Bible Study...

John Bible Study begins tomorrow, Monday, September 27th. This drop-in class is facilitated by Dr. Ann Pearson and will be in Wesley Hall from 1:00 to 2:15 pm. Everyone is invited so come and be a part of this study.



Our next delivery will be Wed. September 29. Snacks or monetary donations will continue to be accepted. If you have time to come and pick and stick labels for the snacks contact Martha in the church office 251-928-1148. This has been a great opportunity to give thanks for this past year of dedicated service for our healthcare workers. The hospital staff has been so touched by your ongoing support and love.

Support Ministry Groups...

Grief Group meets every Monday from 3:00 to 4:00 pm in B-114. Suzanne Glass and Dr. Ann Pearson facilitate this group.

Survivors of Suicide (SOS) meets Monday, September 27 at 6:30 pm in Wesley Hall. Contact Dr. Ann Pearson for your zoom invite.

Tough Dogs Cancer Support Group meets Tuesday, Sept. 28 at 12:30 pm in the Church Library. A zoom option is available by contacting Dr. Ann Pearson, ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org.

Stephen Ministers support Hurricane Ida evacuees...

Stephen Ministers went to Central Presbyterian Church in Mobile. They were able to offer support and prayer to Hurricane Ida evacuees. In the picture on the right, two Louisiana residents offered comfort to one another. Below are the Stephen Ministers who served.



Online registration remains open for the following Wednesday night programs – the link is provided below!

If you have an interest in serving in one of these programs, please contact Jenna Hood, Director of Children's Ministries at 928-1148. As always, you do not need to have a child in children's ministries to serve!

Children's Choir: K-6th grade | Wednesdays, 4:15-5:00pm | *Wesley Hall (Ed Bldg, 1st floor)

* Children enjoy learning different kinds of worship music which will be sung in various Sunday services. Their first time singing in a service will be Sunday, October 3 during The Gathering at 11:00am in the CLC. They will sing The Lord's Prayer.

* Note the change in location

* New friends always welcome! Pre-registration is greatly appreciated.

SWIFT: 5th & 6th grade | Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30pm | Attic (CLC, 2nd floor)

* Students will learn and know how it feels to own their faith. Each week they grapple with a specific question about faith, relationships and choices and search God's Word for answers. This group engages in large and small group discussions, mission projects, free-play in the gym and social get-togethers!

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EXCITING NEWS TO BE ANNOUNCED NEXT WEEK ABOUT OUR PIER & PIER34 PROGRAMS!!!

Pier: K-2nd grade | Wednesdays, 6:00-7:15pm

* **Begins Wednesday, October 13**

* Pre-registration is greatly appreciated.

* In need of additional adult volunteers!

Pier34: 3rd & 4th grade | Wednesdays, 6:00-7:15pm

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Click now to register ...

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



UPWARD BASKETBALL FOR YOUTH

Registration is now open for all boys and girls, 4 yrs. old – 4th grade. K4-5 and 3-4 grade, Teams will be coed.

Register online at <https://registration.upward.org/UPW81095> or use your camera to open the QR Code. Registration is \$95. Deadline to register is October 28.

First Practice- Monday, November 1. First Game- Monday, November 29.



SCAN ME

Student Ministries...



Youth Dodgeball Tournament

September 26, 6:30pm//CLC

7th-12th grade

Come join us to cheer on the teams or grab some people and jump in on the action this Sunday night! Check SALT Students Instagram account for more details. There will be prizes for the winners, dinner and karaoke for everyone else. See you this weekend!



Sunday Night Youth//6:30-8:00pm

(October 3, 17, 24, 31) *No Youth Oct 10)



7th-12th grade

Sunday Night Youth takes place almost every week and includes: worship, games, free time in the gym, dinner and so much more. We provide an opportunity for every student in grades 7-12 to worship together with one another and we give them space to build relationships. We can't wait to see you there! There's no need to register and you can always bring a friend. We hope to see YOU this Sunday night! Parents, if you'd like to know more about what youth series we are studying. Simply download the PARENT CUE and read the email updates that are sent out at the beginning of every new series. We provide discussion starters and new ideas on how to continue the conversation and growth at home.

Wednesday Nights//6:30-7:45pm

7th-12th grade

Community Groups are for students in grades 7-12. We provide an opportunity for every person committed to attending C-Groups to grow deeper in their faith with a community of believers their own age to support & pray with them. Every C-Group will have 2 adult leaders committed to walking their faith journey with them. Our C-Groups launch on Wednesday, September 1st @ 6:30-7:45pm. The 10-12 grade C-Groups will meet off campus every Wednesday in a host home with their adult small group leaders. The 7-9 grade C-Groups will meet on-campus upstairs in the CLC. Sign-up is now open for the 2021-22 school year.



The new school year is ahead and it's time to get plugged-in! Parents, did you know that you and your students can stay connected and hear about ALL the activities in student ministry as they're first announced? If you are on social media, follow us:

Instagram: @fairhopeumc.youth

Facebook: @fhsaltstudents

Text Message Reminders: Text the word "Saltstudents" to the number "43506"

SAVE THE DATE:

DISCOVERY WEEKEND 2022

FEB 11-13, 2022

Discovery is a 43-hour spiritual retreat designed for Middle School students held on our church campus and led by High School students and Adult Mentors. Registration for 7th-8th grade participants & 9th-12th grade High School leadership will open on October 1! Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details. If you'd like to help in an adult leadership role, please contact our DW Directors, Larry or Megan Smith.

SERVE HURRICANE IDA

HOW CAN YOU HELP? PRAY

Please continue to pray for the emergency responders & those impacted by Hurricane Ida. We continue to be in contact with our friends in LA who are organizing the response efforts.

SERVE

Fairhope UMC is coordinating efforts at the District and Conference levels. We are working to send more cook teams and ERT teams.

GIVE

Donations are being received to help with our response efforts. Support is needed for cleaning buckets, supplies, water & food. Donations can be made online or given to the church office, Fairhope UMC- Disaster Response.

Items currently needed:

- Tarps
- Cleaning Buckets- Buckets can be picked up at the church. (List Provided)
- Can openers
- Batteries (All Sizes)
- Dust Pans
- Trash Bags
- Scoop shovels
- Extension Cords
- Deck Screws 2" & 3"
- Cap nails



Our team serving a hot meal and supplies with Fairhope PD in Laplace, LA