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Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany The Gathering: February 6, 2022 11:00 am

OPENING SONG

I Will Follow You

Shea White, Praise Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

We have come from different backgrounds on various roads to get here. **But we are all here seeking an experience of the holy.** Listen for the promise of God's steadfast love and God's faithfulness.

We are listening for God's call in our lives.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of every land and nation,

you have created all people

and you dwell among us in Jesus Christ.

Hear the praise of those who worship you in this holy place,

and grant that, as we proclaim the greatness of your name,

all people will know the power of love at work in the world.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SINGING OUR PRAISES

Indescribable Do It Again

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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON	Psalm 138
GOSPEL LESSON	Luke 5:1-11
SERMON	"Deep Waters"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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Good God Almighty

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PRELUDE

The Lord's My Shepherd

(Bain / arr. Harris)

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the sanctuary, God, the Holy One, whose glory fills the whole earth, calls us. **Beside the sea, along ordinary paths, in our daily work, God calls us.** We respond with our whole heart, singing God's praise and giving thanks. **In steadfast love, God fulfills the divine purposes for our lives.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of every land and nation, you have created all people and you dwell among us in Jesus Christ. Hear the praise of those who worship you in this holy place, and grant that, as we proclaim the greatness of your name, all people will know the power of love at work in the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #64	Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty
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BAPTISM (11:00)

William Miles Canida Son of Amanda and Trey Canida

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

*GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING

Many Gifts, One Spirit

(Pote)

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PSALTER #853

Psalm 138

HYMN OF PREPARATION #338	Where He Leads Me	
GOSPEL LESSON	Luke 5:1-11	
SERMON	"The Know-It-All Jesus"	Dr. Darren M. McClellan
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		
THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMM	IUNION	
GREAT THANKSGIVING		
THE LORD'S PRAYER		
BREAKING OF THE BREAD / GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP		
CLOSING HYMN #593	Here I Am Lord	
SENDING FORTH		
POSTLUDE	Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart	(Wagner)
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\$5 FOR ADULTS \$4 FOR CHILDREN MAX \$20 PER FAMILY

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FAIRHOPE UMC ~ LENTEN DEVOTIONALS

We would like to hear from YOU this year!!

The season of Lent will soon be upon us! During Lent this year, we have a goal of sending daily devotionals out to our congregation written by YOU, the good folks who are part of our church family.

Proverbs 27:17 says: As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.

Let's claim these words from scripture during our days of preparation leading up to Easter!

Some of you may not be familiar with the custom of recognizing Lent as part of your spiritual practice. This description from the UMC website may be helpful:

Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on <u>Ash Wednesday</u> and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo Saxon word lencten, meaning "lengthen" and refers to the lengthening days of spring. The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry. Lent is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent began as a period of fasting and preparation for baptism by new converts and then became a time of penance by all Christians. Today, Christians focus on relationship with God, growing as disciples and extending ourselves, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of ourselves for others.

If you feel God calling you to share in this way, please follow the link and sign up for one of the 40 available slots on Sign-up Genius. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F45AFA82AA1FD0-fairhope

Here are the guidelines:

- 1. All devotionals are due in our office by *Friday*, *February 25th*.
- 2. Please submit your devotional as a Word document.
- 3. The suggested length is between 200 and 700 words, as the Spirit leads.
- 4. The content may be varied! You may describe what the season of Lent means to you, you may offer encouragement to others in their walk with Christ, or generally share anything you believe may be helpful as our readers seek a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.
- 5. We suggest you include a key scripture verse and end with a brief prayer (a couple of sentences.)
- 6. You may include a photograph that relates to your devotional if you have one that is suitable. Photos should be submitted as a jpeg. (Please note, we are not asking you for a photo of yourself. If you are writing a devotional where the subject is a tree, feel free to send a photo of a tree!)
- 7. Email your submissions to <u>laura.parker@fairhopeumc.org</u> by February 25th. Please contact me if you have any questions!!

8. We may do minor formatting on your submission to provide uniformity in the way our devotionals are presented to the congregation. We may do minor edits of spelling or grammar if necessary. If we have any questions that impact content or understanding of your submission, we will contact you prior to publishing.

The following memorials and honorariums have been received by the church:

In memory of:

Martha Northcutt (Music Ministries) by Kay and Terry Hicks

Bill Knight by Gene and Cecilia Lammers (Community Café) Hazel and J.D. Odom

My wife, Janette Clark Pike (Caring Ministries) by Isadore Pike

In honor of:

Yvonne Cox (Caring Ministries) by Dr. Anne L. Scarborough

CARING MINISTRIES



Support Group Meetings this week:

Grief Support Monday, February 7, from 3-4:00 pm in B-114 off of Wesley Hall.

Tough Dogs Cancer Support Group meets Tuesday, February 8, at 12:30 pm in the Church Library. A zoom option is available upon request.

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Knit and Crochet is a vital outreach ministry that meets each Monday from 10 am -12:00 noon. All are invited who would like to participate in knitting or crocheting with the group to provide handmade items for the many ministries we serve.



Call the church if you would like



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK IN CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES...

ALL K-6th grade Sunday School classes will meet on the Pier Hallway. Join us as we start our new series, "EPIC TEACHINGS OF THE BIBLE: FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT." This week's fruit is KINDNESS!

Kindergarten – Yellow Room | 1st Grade – Blue Room | 2nd Grade – Green Room 3rd & 4th Grades – Aqua Room | SWIFT – Purple Room (3s & 4s will meet in their normal preschool room on the first floor.)



WEDNESDAY NIGHT

PIER KIDS, join us on Wednesdays for our new series, "God Speaks!" as we look at questions such as "Does God still speak? "Does God speak to kids?," and more. We'll enjoy worship, games, Bible stories, and small groups. Don't miss out!

SWIFT, join us for a brand new series, "Forged: Faith Refined, Identity." This 13 week study will dive deep as we discover our identity in Christ through Scripture, games, and discussion!

PLEASE REGISTER FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMS TO HELP US WITH PLANNING & COMMUNICATION. Please go to our website: <u>fairhopeumc.org</u> to register your child.

> To stay up-to-date, make sure to find and join our Facebook group and don't forget to follow us on Instagram@fairhopeumc_childrens_min.



Sign up to receive texts from us! This system is different from our previous system and allows us to include others in our community. You MUST sign up to receive them. This is how we will push out important information, deadlines, registrations, and updates.





CHECK OUT OUR AMAZON WISHLIST!

Our Children's Ministries Team and dedicated volunteers have been hard at work over the break to give our small group rooms a refresh as we enter the New Year. Our vision is to make our rooms inviting, safe spaces for children to both learn and play and to make connections with each other, our leaders, and God. This wishlist has been created to help assist our team in making these rooms great and give our children some ownership of their space! We invite you to check out our list and see if there is a purchase that your family would like to help with! As you make your way back to the Pier Hallway in the New Year, check out our spaces and see what great things are in store for





DISCOVERY WEEKEND DONATIONS NEEDED:

Our Discovery Weekend team is in need of help for our upcoming retreat. We are asking for donations for scholarships (\$100 per student) and money to purchase our weekend snacks. If you would like to help sponsor a student or donate money for the weekend snacks, please contact Rachael Waldhour. Thank you!

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH//6:30-8:00pm

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 NIGHT//6:30-7:45pm

7th-9th Grade (CLC) & 10th-12th Grade (Host Homes)

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. Our C-Groups meet 6:30-7:45pm on Wednesdays.

CONFIRMATION 2022 *Next Class: Sunday, February 20th* 9:50 am// CLC Classroom 2 & 3 This year's confirmation class will resume on Sunday, February 20, 2022 at 9:50 am in the CLC Classrooms 2 & 3. A new schedule for the remaining classes along with all the requirements for our confirmands will be given to the students on this date.

MIDDLE SCHOOL//DISCOVERY WEEKEND

February 11th-13th, 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 can be done on our church website. Don't miss your chance to register and be a part of a life-changing experience!

HIGH SCHOOL//SKI RETREAT February 18-20, 2022

9th-12th grade

Join the high school youth for a Ski Retreat to Beech Mountain, North Carolina. The cost is \$350 per person and the deposit of \$100 is due no later than February 6, 2022. The price includes snow tubing, skiing, hotel, travel and breakfast. You will need money for lunch and dinner daily. We meet to leave 5:30 am on Friday and return Sunday by 10:00 pm.

SAVE THE DATES:

SUMMER MISSIONS 2022

The High School Mission trip to Las Animas, Colorado with Group Workcamp will take place on July 3-9, 2022. The Middle School Mission trip to Louisiana for Hurricane Relief will take place on June 19-23, 2022. You can register for your trip, reserve your spot and sign up for upcoming fundraisers by clicking the registration Linktree (@saltstudents) found on our social media page or on the youth page of our church website.

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

Discovery Weekend Worship Service & MoBay Beignet Truck

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