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First Sunday of Lent The Gathering: March 6, 2022 11:00 am

OPENING SONG Soul on Fire Shea White, Praise Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

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Our call is to trust in God alone, to do God's will in all things.

For God leads us not only into the wilderness, but also through the wilderness.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

God Most High, thank you for signs of your power and grace, shown to us even in the wilderness. Give us courage to stand firm in your Word in every time of trial and testing, that we may enter the land of your freedom and receive the salvation you so generously give; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SINGING OUR PRAISES

Trust and Obey Reckless Love

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY** 

OFFERING Worn

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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SERMON "Trust in the Face of Trial" Rev. Laura Parker

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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SENDING FORTH

**CLOSING SONG** 

All Because of Jesus

Assisting in Worship Today: Rev. Laura Parker
Music: Shea White and Praise Band
Communion Servers: Kristin and Jason Capstraw, Mary and Noah Funderburg
Media and Sound: Jamie Waldhour, Amelia Koser, Alex Beaman

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### First Sunday of Lent March 6, 2022 ~ 8:30 and 11:00am Traditional Services

PRELUDE O World, I Now Must Leave Thee (Johannes Brahms)

### WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

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### CALL TO CONFESSION

God is faithful, leading us into freedom, but we are conditioned to the slavery of sin. Comfortable with the way things are, we lose sight of the way God intends them to be. We bring our confession before the One who is more powerful than Pharaoh in Egypt, mightier than the devil in the wilderness.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, our refuge and fortress, forgive us when we fail to trust in you.

We fall to temptation; we are swayed by false words; we speak false words of our own.

We choose our ease and comfort over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world.

In turning from you, we settle for less than the abundant generosity you intend.

Forgive us, we pray. Do not let us be put to shame, O God. Hear us as we call to you and show us your salvation. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

HYMN #139

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* 

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**GLORIA PATRI** 

OFFERING

Just As I Am
Tom Hood, soloist

(arr. Courtney)

DOXOLOGY

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PSALTER #810-811

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**HYMN OF PREPARATION #405** 

Seek Ye First

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Luke 4:1-13

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**GREAT THANKSGIVING** 

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING OF THE BREAD / GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

**CLOSING HYMN #130** 

God Will Take Care of You

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE Praise (Gibert Martin)

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The arrangement on the altar is given to the glory of God and in honor of the people of Ukraine as we pray for them during these difficult days.

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Acolytes: Darby Butler (8:30), Karys Mayfield, Kylee Mayfield (11:00) Communion Servers: Kirby and Michelle Butler, Jason and Emily Determann (8:30) Rusty, Ann and Thompson Coker, Melinda Murphy (11:00)

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Weekly Newsletter

March 6, 2022



WE SEND THIS BY EMAIL WEEKLY NOT ON OUR EMAIL LIST? SUBSCRIBE USING THIS QR CODE WITH YOUR PHONE CAMERA:





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

### In memory of:

### Bill Knight by

Karen and Roy Dobson Mr. and Mrs. John Fulton (Community Café) Johnny Northcutt

## Andy DiMartino (Caring Ministries) by Linda Florence

Jan Nall (Family Village Project) by

# **Bob Nall Debbie Dilbeck (Tough Dogs Cancer Care Ministry) by**

Mary and John Hodgkins

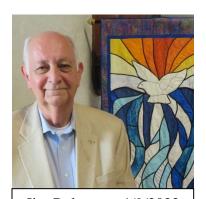
### In honor of:

### Deedee Harmse (Handbells) by

Carolyn and Charlie Newcomer



### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Jim Robertson 1/9/2022



Robert Taylor 1/30/2022



Baptism: William Miles Canida 2/6/2022



Cindy Sams 2/27/2022



Lynn Askew 2/27/2022



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### **CARING MINISTRIES**

### Luke Bible Study...

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### Independent Lenten Study...

This study is available to anyone who would like to spend the days of Lent in the scriptures and in prayer. Books are available in the church office. Small group discussion classes will be April 25, May 2 and May 9 in the CLC Fellowship Hall from 1:00 – 2:15 pm. As we are drawing closer to God, He is drawing closer to us.

### Support Group Ministries continue to offer nurture and care...

- **Grief Group Seeking Peace** meets on Mondays from 3:00 4:00 pm in B-114.
- Tough Dogs Cancer Support Group meets Tuesday, March 8 at 12:30 pm in the Church Library. A zoom option is available upon request by contacting Dr. Ann Pearson <a href="mailto:ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org">ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org</a>. Tough Dogs and Tough Pups Care Bags will be assembled at 1:30 pm in Wesley Hall. Everyone is welcome to participate and help in preparing the bags.



Our Stephen Ministry leaders are celebrating with our newly commissioned Stephen Ministry Class of 2022. In our 25 year history we have trained 112 Stephen Ministers and 11 Stephen Leaders.

### Ways to serve...

We are preparing for our Easter deliveries for our congregation and are looking for volunteers to help with putting the bags together and being a delivery driver. We will be assembling the bags on Sunday, April 3 following worship services in B-114.

Delivery drivers are needed for distribution April 4-7. Let Ann know if you would like to be a part of the team preparing the bags or making deliveries by emailing her at <a href="mailto:ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org">ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org</a> or calling her at the church office 251-928-1148.



### **WEEKLY PROGRAMS**

ALL K-6<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School classes meet on the Pier Hallway.

3 & 4 year olds meet in the first Preschool classroom on the left by the office entrance of the first floor.

Join us for our series, "EPIC TEACHINGS OF THE BIBLE: FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT."

This week's fruit is SELF-CONTROL!

Kindergarten – Yellow Room ~  $1^{st}$  Grade – Blue Room ~  $2^{nd}$  Grade – Green Room  $3^{rd}$  &  $4^{th}$  Grades – Aqua Room ~ SWIFT – Purple Room



### SAVE THE DATE

Sign up to volunteer for VBS today! This community event takes many hands and many talents. We would love to have you on our team. Your time and talents can impact a child to grow closer to God. Now, THAT is monumental! Contact Mrs. Jenna today to find your place at VBS, jenna.hood@fairhopeumc.org or 334.733.0003. REGISTER TO VOLUNTEER AT WWW.VBSPRO.EVENTS/P/FAIRHOPEUMC

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 FOR OUR NEW TEXT SYSTEM!**

This is different from our previous one and allows us to include community members! Text "PIERKIDS" to 43506 to stay up-to-date with all the latest info!





REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!
Blue Lake Summer Camp
July 11-15
Completed 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades
Early Bird Fee \$325

PLEASE REGISTER EARLY! Save the date above and let's make plans! Scholarships are available. Contact Mrs. Jenna for more info.

Want to keep your kids busy this summer AND stay connected with our church? Scan the code to view our Summer Activities Booklet for 2022! VBS info, PJ Parties, FamJam Days, and more!









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

7th-12th grade

Sunday Night Youth takes place each 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

7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Grade (CLC) & 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade (Host Home)

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, March 13<sup>th</sup> 9:50 am// CLC Classroom 2 & 3

Confirmation class will meet weekly at 9:50 am in the CLC Classrooms 2 & 3. For more information, please contact the church office. The Confirmation Sunday Service is Sunday, April 24 at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION 2022 (Rising 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade) June 19<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> // Louisiana Hurricane Relief Cost=\$465

All rising 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to come serve on our middle school mission team this summer. We will be providing hurricane relief in some of the hardest hit areas during Hurricane Ida. We will be continuing a partnership that we established between our church and other local churches in Louisiana directly after the storms hit. If you are interested in serving with us, please sign-up and pay your deposit online. Your student has the option of paying the trip in full or helping with fundraisers. *There are scholarships available upon request.* We will automatically add the email that you sign-up with to our information distribution list as well as notifications for all upcoming fundraiser opportunities.

# HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP// GROUP MISSION TRIPS (Rising 10<sup>th</sup> grade-Graduates) July 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> // Las Animas, Colorado Cost=\$850

Come serve with our High School team throughout downtown Las Animas, Colorado. We are partnering with Group Mission Trips. Las Animas is a small town located on Colorado's eastern plains at an elevation of 3,898 feet. Las Animas County, founded in 1866, is the largest county by area in Colorado with a total of 4,775 square miles. It sits along the Mountain Branch of the Santa Fe Trail and served as the major city in southeast Colorado until the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad established operations in La Junta, 20 miles to the west of Las Animas. It shares a boundary with northern New Mexico. If you are interested in serving with us, please sign-up and pay your deposit online. Your student has the option of paying the trip in full or helping with fundraisers. *There are scholarships available upon request.* We will automatically add the email that you sign-up with to our information distribution list as well as notifications for all upcoming fundraiser opportunities.

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LINKTREE: <a href="https://linktr.ee/Saltstudents">https://linktr.ee/Saltstudents</a>

### MISSIONS UPDATE...

## Here is how we are SERVING!



Our Next Host week is March 13th-20th Volunteers are needed to help prepare meals, provide breakfast and lunch items, or volunteer as an evening or overnight host.



Interested in serving on the Costa Rica Mission Team?

TentativeDates: May 25th-June 3rd

Contact:
Jennifer Myrick
missions@fairhopeumc.org



JOIN US EVERY FRIDAY!

COMMUNITY CAFE' IS OPEN FOR LUNCH!

11:00AM-1:00PM

DONATION ONLY CAFE'