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# FAIRHOPE

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost  
August 21, 2022 ~ 8:30 and 11:00 am

PRELUDE

*Prelude in B Flat Major*

(J.S. Bach)

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said, "Love one another, even as I have loved you."

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**Help us, O Lord, to witness to you by the ways in which we care for others.**

Remind us, Lord, that we are called to be your disciples.

**As we worship this morning, heal our hearts and spirits and prepare us for service.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins to the Lord who is our helper.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, all that we have is a gift from you,  
yet we do not live lives of gratitude.**

**We ignore strangers and turn away from those in need.**

**We seek honor for ourselves and allow pride to take root in us.**

**Forgive our foolish ways, O God, and restore us to you,  
that we may walk in the way of love. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Beloved, your sins are forgiven, for God promises never to leave us.

Therefore, be at peace and stand secure in the Lord.

\*PASSING THE PEACE

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Through the ages, O God, you have called to us to follow. You led us to freedom, to hope and peace. Enter our hearts again today and lead us to your healing love that we might serve you joyfully in this world that you have loaned to us. AMEN.**

\*HYMN #702

*Sing with All the Saints in Glory*

\*THE APOSTLES' CREED

\*GLORIA PATRI

OFFERTORY

*Feed My Lambs*

(Sleeth)

\*DOXOLOGY

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT (11:00)

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## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, your word is a light in darkness and a source of blessing.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us; enliven our hearts and minds

as we hear your word for us today; through Jesus Christ we pray. **Amen.**

## PSALTER #794

*Psalm 71:1-6*

## HYMN OF PREPARATION #480

*O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*

## SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

## SERMON

"Where the Rubber Meets the Road"

Rev. Laura Parker

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

## CLOSING HYMN #408

*The Gift of Love*

## SENDING FORTH

## POSTLUDE

*Fugue in B Flat Major*

(J.S. Bach)

✠ Stand as able

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of the Hammock Family: Wells, Elizabeth, Bowdoin and Riggins, for their dedication to  
Fairhope United Methodist Church and the Baldwin Family Village by Mary and Van Finger.*

Assisting in Worship Today: Rev. Laura Parker

Liturgist: Emily Garner Alcolytes: Darby Butler (8:30)

Music: Tom Hood, Minister of Music; John Richardson, Organist: Chancel Choir

Media and Sound: John McClellan, Colin Richardson

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*Faith (I Can Move Mountains)*

Shea White, Praise Team

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## SINGING OUR PRAISES

*Beautiful the Blood*

*You Never Let Go*

## CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

## PRESENTATION OF THIRD GRADE BIBLES

## OFFERTORY

## Keep Your Eyes On the Prize

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Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed,  
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. **Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

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## SERMON

## “Hold On”

Dr. Darren M. McClellan

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS: Krissy Dermody and Matt Derrenbacher

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING SONG

*Graves Into Gardens*

Assisting in Worship Today: Dr. Darren M. McClellan

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### EXPERIENCING GOD

Many people who have taken this study have found it to be life changing; great opportunity for couples to grow together! This 13-week study by Henry Blackaby takes participants through 5 days of reading and study each week with a video and discussion during class. *Facilitated by Tony Caminiti.* **Mondays, 6:30-8:00 pm.** Class begins with orientation August 22<sup>nd</sup>. **Cost of Materials: \$20.**

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An intensive 24-week survey of the Old & New Testaments. Activities include daily reading and study and weekly small group meetings featuring an informational video presentation. This is a pre-requisite to any other Disciple studies. Facilitated by Rev. Laura Parker. **Wednesdays, 6:00-7:15 pm.** Begins September 14<sup>th</sup>. **Cost of Materials: \$32.** Concurrent Wednesday night programs are offered for youth and children of all ages. *\*Need a minimum of 8 people to offer this class. Great opportunity for people who have taken all Disciple classes to put themselves back in the place of daily study and group accountability.*

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### *Support Groups this coming week...*

Grief Group meets each Monday from 3:00 – 4:00 pm in B-114, Wesley Hall

\*Survivors of Suicide (SOS) meet Monday, August 22 at 6:30 pm in B-114, Wesley Hall

\*Tough Dogs Cancer Support Group meets Tuesday, August 23 at 12:30 pm, Church Library

\*Zoom option is available upon request from Dr. Ann Pearson [ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org](mailto:ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org).

**LIFESOUTH**  
Community Blood Centers

**Blood Drive**  
Sunday | August 28 | 9:00am-1:00pm  
Church Parking Lot





**Children's Sunday School (Kicks off TODAY)**

**Sunday Mornings, 9:45am, Pier Hallway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

3s & 4s – Room B107 ` 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

Kindergarten – Yellow Room

1<sup>st</sup> Grade – Blue Room

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – Green Room

3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grades – Aqua Room

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grades – Purple Room

*This week's lesson: The Armor of God is Righteousness*

**Children's Church**

**Sundays, 11am Kids' Church, Pier Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

After kids are dismissed to kids church during service, they will join us in the Pier Room for a special video lesson and activities!

*This week's lessons: Esther*

**All activities now ongoing!**



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KIDS CHOIR: K-6th grades,  
Wednesdays, 4:15-5pm 

 PIER KIDS: K-4th grades  
Wednesdays, 6-7:30pm

SWIFT: 5th-6th grades  
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### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Biblepalooza

August 26<sup>th</sup> – 6-7:30pm – Fellowship Hall

3<sup>rd</sup> grade Bible recipients and their Bible Buddies are invited to join us for a night of getting to know your Bible. Dinner provided.

RSVP to Mrs. Jenna

### JOB OPENING!!!

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY ASSISTANT/INTERN OPENING:** We are currently looking for a Children's Ministry Assistant/Intern. This is a part-time position that works with our Children's Minister to love, teach, and reach the children in our church and community. If you are interested in this position and would like more information, please contact Mrs. Jenna at [jenna.hood@fairhopeumc.org](mailto:jenna.hood@fairhopeumc.org).



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# Student Ministry

Middle School  
(7th & 8th grade)  
High School  
(9th-12th grade)



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**SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH**  
**@ 6:00-8pm**  
**(7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)**



## COMMUNITY GROUPS

**Wednesday Night**

**@ 6:00-7:30pm**

**(Grade Level C-Groups)**

Community group registration for the '22-'23 school year are now open! C-Groups are small groups divided by grade level that meet weekly with committed and dedicated adult leaders who strive to connect, serve and help our students grow in their faith with God & one another. This mid-week program is the perfect way for students to get-to-know each other and adults who truly care and want to walk with them in their faith journey.

**Sign-up on our linktre at the top of the student ministry page. OPEN GYM @ 6 pm/ C GROUPS @ 6:30 pm (NEW ENDING TIME START & ENDING TIMES.)**



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## JOIN US EVERY FRIDAY!

COMMUNITY CAFE' IS OPEN FOR LUNCH!

11:00AM-1:00PM

DONATION ONLY CAFE'

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO PROVIDE DESSERTS AND DELIVER MEALS!



## SAVE THE DATE: BLUE LAKE CHURCH FALL RETREAT SEPTEMBER 16TH-18TH

WHO: FAIRHOPE UMC CHURCH FAMILY (ALL AGES)

WHERE: BLUE LAKE METHODIST CAMP (ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA)

MORE DETAILS TO COME!

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