



FAIRHOPE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Easter Sunday
The Gathering: April 4, 2021

VIDEO OPENING

OPENING SONG

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Shea White, Praise Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

Out of the darkness of grief and despair
comes a message of hope. Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed.

We run to the tomb to see for ourselves.

And it is true. Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed.

We hear a voice call our name,
and we know our risen Lord
is with us now and always.

Christ is risen. Christ is risen, indeed.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER

Living God, long ago, the faithful proclaimed the good news
of Jesus' resurrection, and the world was changed forever.

Teach us to keep faith with them, that our witness may be as bold,
our love as deep, and our faith as true. Amen.

SINGING OUR PRAISES

*Let God Arise
We Believe*

THE APOSTLES' CREED

CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

OFFERING

Because He Lives

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Open our eyes and soften our hearts, O God,
through the work of your Holy Spirit,
that in the hearing of your Word we may receive new life. **Amen.**

GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:1-18

SERMON

"Your Scars Make you Beautiful"

Rev. Laura Parker

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING SONG

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Assisting in Worship Today: Rev. Laura Parker

Music: Shea White and Praise Band

Communion Servers: Kristin and Jason Capstraw, Chuck and Michele Huguley

Acolytes: Emery Capstraw

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

Prayers for the People

Medical personnel and first responders

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(In memory of: continued)

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PRELUDE *The Trumpet Shall Sound* (Handel/Hopson)

INTROIT *Christians, Celebrate and Sing!* (Larson)

GREETING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The risen Christ is with us.

Praise the Lord!

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

*OPENING HYMN *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* (#302, vv. 1-4) (Mozart/McDonald)

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia! Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Holy God, you come to us with power beyond all knowing.
You lift all things out of the dust, you breathe love into every cell,
you call us into communion with you, and you claim victory over death.
Blessed be your holy name now and forever. Amen.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* (#304)

Easter people, raise your voices, sounds of heaven in earth should ring.
Christ has brought us heaven's choices; heavenly music, let it ring.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Easter people, let us sing.

Fear of death can no more stop us, from our pressing here below.
For our Lord empowered us to triumph over every foe.
Alleluia! Alleluia! On to victory now we go.

Every day to us is Easter, with its resurrection song.
When in trouble move the faster to our God who rights the wrong.
Alleluia! Alleluia! See the power of heavenly throngs.

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

*THE APOSTLE'S CREED

*GLORIA PATRI

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin
and seek to live in peace with one another.
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Merciful God, we confess that, even on this most holy day,
we struggle to believe in the victory over death
shown to us in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
We confess our utter dependence on you not only for life
but also for faith, hope, and love.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have broken your law,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.**

OFFERING

A Classic Easter Alleluia

(McDonald)

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 16:1-8

SERMON

“Save Your Spices for Someone Else”

Dr. Darren M. McClellan

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (p. 13)

THE LORD’S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

HYMN

Crown Him With Many Crowns (#327)

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.

His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.

His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Crown Him The Glorious King

Handel/Shackley

Assisting in Worship Today: Dr. Darren McClellan

Music: Tom Hood, John Richardson

Brass Ensemble: Zach Dake, Trumpet; Mark Hoffman, Trombone;
Robyn Koser, Horn; Chris McCrary, Trombone; Susan Unger, Trumpet

Acolytes: (8:00) Arabella Rowland (11:00) Hackett Robertson

Sound: Robert Hammon, Ann Lyles Tapscott, James Brown

Media: Kaitlyn Hunter

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A note from Rev. Laura:

We will NOT BE MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 5TH. The church office is closed so your pastors and staff can “catch their collective breath” following a very blessed Holy Week and Easter Celebration.

We will be back on schedule for April 12th at 9:30 am.

Sunday, April 4th, EASTER: ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ***In person classes meet from 9:45-10:40 am.***

These classes are meeting in person this Sunday:

Basics B217

Young couples parenting young children or newly married. Members rotate teaching responsibility.

Pathfinders B210

Multi-generational class with in-depth Bible study. Facilitated by Linda Smith. Current study is: "ASK: Faith Questions in a Skeptical Age"

Meeting by Zoom on Easter Sunday:

Friends in Faith

Retired adults, individuals and couples.

Join Zoom Meeting Time: 10:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86771534402?pwd=d2VJVXVpb3cwZzc0Ti9YRjNaK2lzUT09>

Meeting ID: 867 7153 4402

Passcode: 585355

These classes will NOT be meeting on Easter Sunday:

**Foundations, Peace and Grace, Koinonia, Homecoming,
New Beginnings, Living Word, Discovery**

Here is a brief summary of our current stewardship:

Offering Received March 28, 2021 – \$53,245
(Online - \$6,382 ~ Mail/Personal delivery - \$46,863)

For those of you who would like to bring your offering to the church, we have a mail slot located in the door across from the glass doors in the breezeway entrance of the education building. Thank you so much for your continued support to Fairhope United Methodist Church.

Jeff White, Business Administrator



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

In Memory of:

Shirley Strickland (Caring Ministries) by

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Yancey

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick D. Price

Bryant Bank in Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Bethany Reid by

Kris Perez

Kara Haley by

Grace Nelson

Vann Smith by

Marcia Hodges (Covid-19 Sewing Fund)

Ron and Brenda Robinson

Sands Cliffs Owners Association, Inc.

Mr. and Mrs. William Douglas Bates (Susann Kolb Garner)

Dr. John F. Gaylord III and Dr. Dorothy C. Garner (Dorothy Caroline Garner)

Tommy and Wanda Harris

Nell and Tommy Head

Harry and Teresa Call

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McAnelly

David and Holly Coleman

Larry and Delaine Seamon

Barry and Deborah Pennington

Floyd and Linda Enfinger

Robin Enfinger King

In Honor of:

Hazel Odom by

Ann and Sam Crosby

Caring Ministries by

Don and Cathy Olds

Caring Ministries...

Hospital Visitation...

Please let your Pastoral staff or Dr. Ann Pearson know when you are in the hospital if you would like a visit. Some of the guidelines have changed at the hospital and we do not have access to Pastoral Lists at this time. We are happy and want to care for you and your family.

New 5 week Bible Study coming...

This 5 week study will begin Monday, April 26th from 1:00- 2:15pm in Wesley Hall. Bring your Bibles and let's study the significant events that occur in the book of Genesis.

Volunteer Drivers are Needed for Deliveries...

We are looking for drivers to deliver in person surprises to our member's homes in April. Deliveries will be made the week of April 12 and 19th. Contact Dr. Ann Pearson ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org if you are available to help either of those weeks.

Prayer Ministry Opportunities...

If you would like to be a part of our church wide Prayer Email Team, contact Mary Lucas marylucas501@gmail.com or Dr. Ann Pearson ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org. Prayer requests are sent out to the team and your only responsibility is to pray for the needs of our church and community from your home. Updates are provided to the team when we receive information.

Tough Dogs Cancer Ministry...

The Tough Dogs Cancer Support outreach ministry was established in 2006 with a goal of offering support groups and chemo comfort bags to five cancer treatment centers on the Eastern Shore. We have expanded this ministry to include children ages 0 - 18 being treated for cancer at Women's and Children in Mobile. Presently over 50 children in our area are being treated for cancer.

WE NEED YOUR HELP FILLING THESE BAGS WITH COMFORT ITEMS TO HELP THEM PASS THE TIME WHILE GETTING THEIR TREATMENTS.

If you would like to support these efforts please contact Mary Hodgkins at mary.hodgkins@gmail.com or Dr. Ann Pearson ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org.

Some of the items needed are:

Snacks (All individually wrapped)

Fruit snacks

Mac and cheese cups

Peanut butter crackers

Pudding

Cheez Its

Other items:

Decks of cards

Fidget toys

Pipe Cleaners

Colored pencils

Crayola crayons

Baby rattles

Durable Medical Loan Closet...

Weekly we are receiving donations of wheel chairs, walkers, shower chairs and other medical equipment. Once these items are received they are cleaned and redistributed when needs arise or a request comes in. A dedicated team led by Hazel Odom and Deborah Pennington bless this community daily and are happy to accommodate your needs.

Lord's Pantry...

This ministry serves our community several times a week to those in an emergency situation in need of food. Your faithful donations of non-perishable items are greatly appreciated.

Support Groups...

Meeting this week: Caregiver's Support Group meets in person **Tuesday, April 6 at 9:30 am** in the Church Library. Contact Dr. Ann Pearson ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org for your zoom invite if you cannot be with us in person.

Support Groups resuming in Person with a Zoom Option in April...

Stephen Ministry resumes in-person meetings on the 1st and 3rd Mondays from 6:00-7:00 in Wesley Hall.

Survivors of Suicide meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays from 6:30 till 7:30 in Wesley Hall.

Caregivers Support Group meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month in the Church Library from 9:30 to 10:30 am.

Tough Dog Cancer Support meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month in Room B114 in Wesley Hall from 12:30 -1:30.

Knit and Crochet will resume their in person ministry on April 19 at 10:00 till 12 noon on Mondays in Room B114 in Wesley Hall.



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Children's programs are not meeting this week due to Baldwin County Public Schools spring break.

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 11

Children's Church resumes during the 11:00am worship services!! Children (4 years -2nd grade) will attend the beginning of the service with their family then be dismissed with a Children's Ministry leader to the CLC Fellowship Hall for Children's Church. Children are to be picked up immediately following worship.

4:00-5:30pm | **Learning to Use My Bible** | Pier34 (3rd & 4th grade) | Meet in Wesley Hall in Education Building/Pick up from CLC Gym



ROCKY RAILWAY VBS

Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through!

Monday - Friday, June 7-11

8:45am - 12:15pm

Youth and Adults: We need you on our volunteer team! There are so many ways to serve and we are looking for early commitments. Contact Michelle (michelle.graham@fairhopeumc.org / 251.377.2325) or Kristin (kristin.capstraw@fairhopeumc.org / 786.417.5000) to find the right fit for you. Can't be with us the week of VBS? No problem! There are things you can do to help us prepare – even from the comfort of your own home!

Younger Elementary Program (CLC): Rising 1st - 4th grade

Older Elementary Program (CLC): Rising 5th & 6th grade (participate in opening and closing sessions, do daily mission projects in between – some projects off campus)

Preschool Program (Education Building): 3 & 4 year olds of on-site volunteers and rising K

Nursery Program (Education Building): for on-site volunteers only (must have an older child in preschool or elementary program)

ONLINE REGISTRATION OPENS SUNDAY, APRIL 18 at www.fairhopeumc.org!

BLUE LAKE SUMMER CAMP

July 15 - 17

Open to those finishing 3rd-6th grade this school year

Save the date! Details on cost and registration are still being worked out! We will leave early Thursday morning by bus and return Saturday night. Adult volunteers needed!

Student Ministries...



MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION 2021

(Rising 7-9 grade)

June 13-18//Albany, Georgia

Cost=400

Student Ministry summer missions are back! This summer our middle school students (rising 7-9 grade)

will serve in Albany, Georgia with the Mission Change. Registration is open now on our student ministry page of the church website. For more information, please check your email or contact rachael.waldhour@fairhopeumc.org to be placed on our distribution list! We cannot wait to serve with YOU this summer!



HIGH SCHOOL MISSION 2021

(Rising 10 grade-College)

June 27-July 3//Nashville, Tennessee

Cost=\$650

Come serve with our High School team throughout downtown Nashville, Tennessee. We are partnering with Trinity Commons which is a ministry and homeless outreach in the city. We will also serve with other ministry partners to Trinity Commons in that area to help

our brothers and sisters in need. For more information, please check your email or contact rachael.waldhour@fairhopeumc.org to be placed on our distribution list! We cannot wait to serve with YOU this summer!



STEPPING UP 2021

(Rising 7th graders)

May 5,12, 26//CLC//6:30-7:45 pm

Stepping Up is a 3-week bridge program that prepares our current 6th graders to enter into our student ministry program. We use current students as mentors so that they can get-to-know some of our crew! The 3 weeks are jammed packed with dinner, games, worship, surprises & prizes of all kinds. Once you complete this program, our summer ministry begins on Wednesday, June 2 and you are all invited to DIVE IN with our summer! We cannot

wait to have your child in student ministry! You can sign-up on our student ministry page.

SENIOR SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Class of 2021//High School Graduates

Sunday, May 2//9:00 am//CLC



The class of 2021 and your family are invited to our Senior Sunday Celebration on May 2. We will begin with a breakfast at 9:00 am and then move into the Sanctuary for Senior Sunday Recognition in the 11:00 am Traditional Worship Service. *Please be sure to email michael.spicer@fairhopeumc.org to reserve your family breakfast table no later than Sunday, April 25.* We are so thankful to have been a part

of your journey through middle and high school and we cannot wait to celebrate with you and your family!

SUMMER MISSIONS//FUNRAISER DETAILS

If you would like support in raising funds for your summer mission trip, please email michael.spicer@fairhopeumc.org for more details or find a link on our student ministry page of our church website.

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH

We will not have youth this Sunday, April 4 due to Easter. We will meet again on Sunday, April 11 @ 6-7:45 pm in the CLC for dinner, Worship, games, and more! See you then!

JR & SR GIRLS BIBLE STUDY

Thursday @ 7:30 pm // FUMC Campus

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Wednesday @ 6:30-7:45 pm//10th-12th (Host Homes) & 7th-9th (CLC) Please note that we will not have C Groups on Wednesday, April 7th due to Spring Break. Don't miss the opportunity to SERVE with your C-Group on April 21 from 5:00-8:00 pm! Check-in with your C-group leader if you plan to attend!

PLUG-IN TO STUDENT MINISTRY:

Instagram: [@fairhopeumc.youth/](https://www.instagram.com/fairhopeumc.youth/) // Facebook: [@fhsaltstudents/](https://www.facebook.com/fhsaltstudents/) // Text Message Reminders: Text the word "Saltstudents" to the number "43506"

HOW ARE WE SERVING?



WE CONTINUE TO SERVE OUR LOCAL HOMEBOUND EACH WEEK! WE ARE PREPARING OVER 180 MEALS EACH WEEK! IN ADDITION TO DELIVERING MEALS, WE ALSO PROVIDE A "DRIVE THROUGH" OPTION FROM 11:30-12:30.

SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY MAY 21ST & SUNDAY 23RD 2021

WE WILL BE PARTNERING WITH TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN, FAIRHOPE PD, LOCAL ROTARY CLUBS & OTHER CHURCHES! MORE DETAILS TO COME!



OUR GOAL IS TO PACK 50,000 MEALS!

THE COST OF EACH MEAL IS \$.34.

WE ARE ASKING OTHER CHURCHES, ORGANIZATIONS AND BUSINESSES TO PARTNER WITH US TO HELP REACH OUR GOAL!

