



COFFEE WITH THE PASTORS

Are you new to Fairhope United Methodist Church? Looking to join the church, or have questions about the process? Join us for coffee!

SUNDAY, JUNE 13TH 9:45 | CLC PARLOR





Second Sunday of Pentecost The Gathering: June 6, 2021

OPENING SONG

I Could Sing of Your Love Forever

Shea White, Praise Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let those who fear the Lord say,

"Our God's steadfast love endures forever."

Out of my distress I called out,

the Lord answered me and set me free.

The Lord is my strength

and my song and my salvation.

I shall not die but I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord.

Our God's steadfast love endures forever.

OPENING PRAYER

O God of our Hearts
You yearn to be so close to us
that we can know you in every breath,
in every hope, in every relationship.
Meet us here today and
teach us to recognize
the covenant of justice, peace and love
you have written on our hearts. Amen

SINGING OUR PRAISES

You Never Let Go From the Inside Out

VBS VOLUNTEERS COMMISSIONING

CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

OFFERING Known

Children's Church will not be held today.

On the first Sunday of each month, children stay for the entire service so they can worship and take Holy Communion with their families.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, our Rock and our great Redeemer, by your Holy Spirit open our minds and lead us into your truth, for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Lamentations 3:1-21

SERMON "But God" Rev. Ontonio Christie

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING SONG

The Steadfast Love of the Lord

Assisting in Worship Today: Dr. Darren M. McClellan, Rev. Ontonio Christie, Kadine Christie

Music: Shea White and Praise Band

Acolytes: Mary Stella Henderson, Sims Peters

Communion Servers: Shelly and Rick Fitzhugh, Amy and Ava Dowden Media and Sound: Robert Hammon, Jamie Waldhour, Amelia Koser



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Prayers for the People

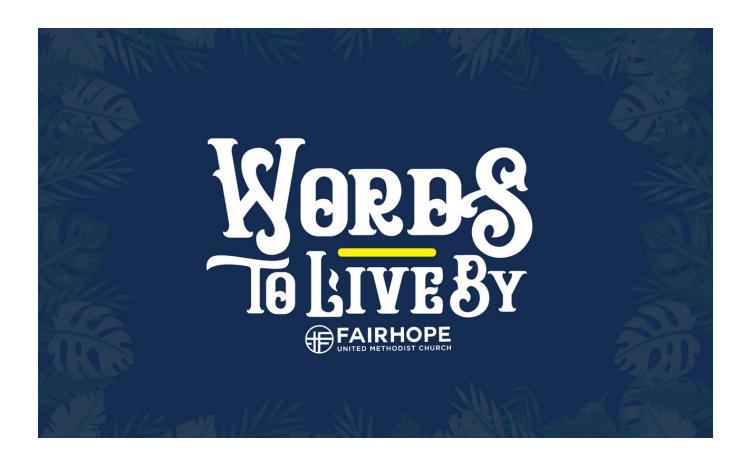
Medical personnel and first responders
Sympathy to Rosemary and Dody Rhodes in the death of her aunt, Rowena Moore.

Volunteers Needed! If you have been looking for a way to serve at Fairhope United Methodist Church, we are in need of greeters for our Sunday morning services. We are also looking for a volunteer to prepare welcome packets for visitors. For more information, please contact Alicia Searcy at 251-554-8533 or by email alicia.searcy@gmail.com.

Here is a brief summary of our current stewardship:

Offering Received May 30, 2021 - \$22,956 (Online - \$8,254 ~ Mail/Personal delivery - \$14,702)

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Summer Sermon Series

Words to Live By

This summer, we will all be "diving deeper" into God's word as your pastors share some of their favorite "words to live by" as found throughout the Old and New Testaments. We will offer this in two parts, June 6th-July 4th and July 11th-August 8th. Here is the tentative preaching schedule for the summer Sundays:

	Focus	Traditional	Gathering
Part 1:			
June 6 th	Old Testament	Rev. Parker	Rev. Christie
June 13 th	Psalms	Rev. Parker	Rev. Christie
June 20 th	Proverbs	Rev. Parker	Rev. Christie
June 27 th	Gospel	Rev. Parker	Dr. McClellan
July 4	Epistle	Rev. Parker	Dr. McClellan
Part 2:			
July 11 th	Old Testament	Dr. McClellan	Rev. Parker
July 18 th	Psalms	Dr. McClellan	Rev. Parker
July 25	Proverbs	Dr. McClellan	Rev. Parker
August 1	Gospel	Rev. Christie	Dr. McClellan
August 8	Epistle	Rev. Christie	Dr. McClellan





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PRELUDE All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name arr. Page

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship the name of our wonderful God.

The Lord reigns over all creation.

The voice of God creates all things;

Nothing exists without the creative power of the Lord.

May God give strength to all who gather here today.

May the Lord bless us with peace.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of grace,

You have given us minds to know you,

hearts to love you, and voices to sing your praise.

Fill us with your Spirit,

that we may celebrate your glory

and worship you in spirit and in truth

through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

HYMN Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken Hymn #731

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00)

Jane Elizabeth Whiddon Daughter of Mike and Elizabeth Anne Stokes

THE APOSTLES' CREED

GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING Bless His Holy Name (Shepherd)

Choir

DOXOLOGY

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Word; and give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Joshua 1:1-9

SERMON

"The God Who Goes Ahead"

Rev. Laura Parker

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION UMH#12

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD / GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

CLOSING HYMN Standing on the Promises Hymn #374

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE Crown Him with Many Crowns

arr. Page

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Tom and Mary Lu Brown by their daughter, Nancy Myrick.

Assisting in Worship Today:

Dr. Darren M. McClellan, Rev. Laura Parker, Dr. Ann Pearson Music: Tom Hood, John Richardson Communion Servers: (8:30) Tony and Susie Caminiti, Mona and Danny Barfield (11:00) Ken and Patricia Cooper, Kimberly McKeough, Linda Smith Sound: Robert Hammon, Ann Lyles Tapscott Media: Kaitlyn Hunter



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Worship Needs...

Flower Calendar... We still have available Sunday dates to place flowers on the altar in the sanctuary. The flower calendar is in the hall outside of the main office if you would like to sign up or you can call the church office and ask for Julia for more information.

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A few of our classes continue to offer an option to connect by **Zoom**. If you would like more information about Zoom options...or if you would like help finding a class that is just right for you, please contact:

Rev. Laura Parker, *Minister of Discipleship* laura.parker@fairhopeumc.org or 251-928-1148

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

In memory of

Vann Smith by Madge E. Watson William A. Harper (Butgereit Mission Scholarships Fund) by

> Katherine Smelley Giny Knudsen, George Smelley and families

> > In honor of
> > Mary Finger by Palmer Finger

Stay connected!



Weekly Newsletter

June 6, 2021



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



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Caring Ministries...

Support Group meeting schedule this week...

Tough Dogs Cancer Support Group will be meeting in person as well as a zoom option on Tuesday, June 7th at 12:30 pm. Contact Dr. Ann Pearson, ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org for your zoom invite.

Stephen Ministry will NOT be meeting this week. The next meeting will be June 21.



Tough Dogs Ministry...

They will be partnering with VBS kids this next week, June 7-11 to make pillows for the Tough Pup chemo bags.

New Grief Support Group Begins...

Our Grief Support Ministry Group starts Monday, June 14, at 3:00 pm in B-114 of Wesley Hall. If you or you know someone who has experienced a loss of a loved one, dreams being shattered and expectations not being met, come and be a part of a healing journey as we seek to find peace in our



lives. Suzanne Glass and Dr. Pearson will be co-leading the group. For more information, please contact Dr. Pearson, 251-928-1148 or ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org.

Stephen Ministers cooking on Wednesday night, June 30 for Family Life...

Come and join the team preparing, cooking and cleaning for the meal. Contact Dr. Pearson 251-928-1148 if you can bake brownies or cookies for that night.



2021 Summer Book Club

For this summer's fiction reading, we will look at the lives of women who take drastic measures to escape the lives that are before them. These authors reveal the different ways in which these women find opportunities to explore alternatives not necessarily presented to them by birth or circumstance or the choices they have made.



<u>The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue</u>, V.E. Schwab (June 15th, 5:30-6:30, Parlor) For Addie LaRue, the narrative spans several centuries, from 18th century France to present day New York City. Addie makes a Faustian deal in order to escape the fate her parents have laid before her and must live with the far-reaching consequences of the choice she has made.



<u>The Midnight Library</u>, Matt Haig (July 13th, 5:30-6:30, Parlor)

Nora Seed makes a drastic decision to escape her life and then finds time standing still for her at midnight, but not really...as she "tries on" a number of different scenarios that could have been how her life played out.



<u>The Vanishing Half</u>, Britt Bennett (August 17th, 5:30-6:30, Parlor)
The Vignes twins dream of something more than what is before them in Mallard,
LA, a small town of all light-skinned black residents, so they flee to New Orleans in search of something better. There, their lives eventually diverge and then come back together again after two very different and surprising journeys.

Read one or all. All gatherings are in-person and facilitated by Rev. Laura Parker. Two copies of each book have been ordered and can be checked out from the church office for two-week increments on a first-come-first-served basis. Call 251-928-1148 to check on availability.





Vacation Bible School

Monday, June 7 – Friday, June 11 | 8:45am-12:15pm

The VBS final countdown is on! Tomorrow we open our doors and our hearts to 200 children who will hear the message of Jesus' power and goodness at Rocky Railway VBS! This would not be possible without the commitment of 130 amazing youth and adult volunteers! What a tremendous blessing! We ask that you keep us in your prayers this week as we touch hearts and change lives.

Volunteer Commissioning is today during The Gathering service at 11:00 in the CLC. **Volunteer Training** will immediately follow in the Fellowship Hall.

BLUE LAKE SUMMER CAMP

July 15 – 17, 2021

Open to those finishing 3rd-6th grade this school year Registration fee: \$150 per person plus \$50 bus fee

We will depart around 9am Thursday and return around 8pm on Saturday.

Registration forms available in the church office or www.fairhopeumc.org under children's ministries. Online registration is not available. Registration forms, full payment and a notarized 2021-2022 Emergency Release form are due in church office no later than June 15!



A big THANK YOU to all who taught our children's Sunday School classes this school year! We will keep our current schedule and locations thru Sunday, June 13. On June 20, we will begin our one-room class for summer in the CLC Fellowship Hall. This will be for rising K-6th grade. Our PK3 and PK4 children will have Sunday School with Mrs. Tina on the nursery wing in the Education Building. We will return to our normal schedule on Promotion Sunday, August 8. Are you willing to serve 1-2 Sundays to teach? Everyone is together for the intro of the Bible story then we break into groups by grade to discuss. Contact Michelle for more information (michelle.graham@fairhopeumc.org or 251/377-2325).

Student Ministries...



*Proceeds Help Benefit Student Ministry Summer Missions

The summer Middle School Mission Team is headed to Albany, Georgia this summer to serve with Mission Change. We will be selling chicken sandwiches and burgers on **Sunday**, **June 6** as a fundraiser for their mission trip to help off-set the cost for students. The **meals are \$10 a piece** and you can purchase your meal in advance from students on any Sunday morning between now and June 6th or purchase the day of the fundraiser.

LUNCH BUNCH is BACK...

Join us for Lunch Bunch during the week of VBS. Look below to find your assigned date and plan to join us for lunch following the close of VBS on your day. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall of the CLC at 12:45 pm. You can bring a friend and some money and we will choose a location that your grade would like to eat. Hang out, hear more about summer activities in youth and be a part of the fun together!

7th & 8th grade LUNCH BUNCH-TUESDAY, JUNE 8

9th & 10th grade LUNCH BUNCH- WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

11th & 12th grade LUNCH BUNCH-THURSDAY, JUNE 10

NOTE: No Youth on Sunday, June 6 or 13 due to VBS & Mission Trip.

SUMMER STUDENT MISSION UPDATE:

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION June 13-18//Albany, Georgia

TEAM MEETING June 9 @ 5:00 pm (CLC)
TEAM COMMISSIONING June 13 @ 11:00 am

TEAM UPDATE:

Mission Team Training will be on **Wednesday**, **June 9** @ **5:00-6:00 pm**. This will be an important meeting with details on travel, packing, team building and more. If you are attending the Middle School mission trip, please make plans to be here. On **Sunday**, **June 13**, we will meet at **10:00 am** in the Fellowship hall of the CLC. Prior to our departure, we will participate in a team commissioning as a part of the **11:00** am Gathering Service in the gym. We will depart directly following the commissioning portion of the service.

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION 2021 June 27-July 3//Nashville, Tennessee

TEAM MEETING June 9 @ 6:00 pm (CLC)
TEAM COMMISSIONING June 13 @ 11:00 am

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Mission Team Training will be on **Wednesday**, **June 9 @ 6:00-7:00 pm**. This will be an important meeting with details on travel, packing, team building and more. If you are attending the High School mission trip, please make plans to be here. On *Sunday*, *June 13*, we will participate in a team commissioning as a part of the 11:00 am Gathering Service in the gym.

PLUG-IN TO STUDENT MINISTRY:

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

HOW ARE WE SERVING?



SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 18TH

COMMUNITY CAFE' WILL BE OPEN FOR LUNCH!

JOIN US EVERY FRIDAY!

11:00AM-1:00PM

DONATION ONLY CAFE'



*WE WILL CONTINUE OUR OUTREACH TO OUR HOMEBOUND & COMMUNITY FRIENDS!

SUMMER TIME FELLOWSHIP! SUMMER COOK TEAMS NEEDED!

JUNE 16

5:00PM

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

JUNE 16TH-JULY 28TH

WE ARE LOOKING FOR GROUPS TO HELP PLAN MENU, PREPARE & SERVE WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER DURING THE SUMMER!

FOOD WILL BE PROVIDED BY CHURCH LIFE MINISTRIES!

CONTACT JENNIFER MYRICK FOR MORE INFO!



Recreation Ministry at Fairhope United Methodist Church

Christian Life Center WEEKLY OPERATING HOURS: Mon - Fri 7a-5p

SUMMER YOUTH GOLF CAMP

This July, we will be partnering with the **Payne Stewart Kids Golf Foundation** to provide a week-long golf camp for youth. The camp will be held in the CLC Gym on **July 12 – 16**. The camp is available to all boys and girls ages 4 -9. There will be two sessions per day, with ages 4-6 from 8:30-11:30am and ages 7-9 from 1:30-4:30pm. To register, go to https://

paynestewartgolf.regfox.com/payne-stewart-golf-camp-fairhope-umc.

For more information about the Foundation, go to www.paynestewart.org.

UPWARD FLAG FOOTBALL



Upward Flag Football returns for 2021!!

For all boys and girls grades 1-4. All teams will be coed.

Games are played on Mondays (3-4 graders) and
Thursdays (1-2 graders) at Founders Park in Fairhope.

Registration will begin on May 17.

To register, go to https://registration.upward.org/UPW80172.

Practices will begin on Aug. 9 and first games will begin on Aug. 30.

SUMMER COED VOLLEYBALL—WEDNESDAYS, 6-8pm



Starting on **June 16**, plan your Wednesdays for FUMC Recreation Ministries Open Volleyball Night. This weekly event is open to everyone! We encourage individuals and families to come and play recreational volleyball (church rules, of course!). The Game Room will also be available for ping pong, billiards, foosball, the arcade machine and any other games you may want to play.

PICKLEBALL —TUESDAYS, 8am-11am THURSDAYS, 1pm-3pm & SUNDAYS from 2:00pm-4pm



Come check out our refurbished Gym floor, with freshly painted lines and adjusted courts to assist in avoiding the basketball goals! There are three weekly options available to play and leam! See the days and times above. Pickleball is a great sport for all ages and playing levels.