

Fairhope United Methodist Church

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 11, 2023 ~ 8:30AM

PRELUDE

The Solid Rock

(arr. by Jeffrey Bennett)

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Please sign the registration pad and pass it to your neighbor in the pew

All who are righteous, shout with joy to our God!

Let us sing a new song!

Praise God and give thanks, with organs, with guitars, with all kinds of instruments!

Play your best with joy!

Because our Creator's word is right, and everything God does is done for our good.

Let your faithful love surround us, O God!

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to follow when you call. Amen.**

Jesus was delivered to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

God has poured out love upon us, and we have received forgiveness for our sins.

We can now live in peace!

LET US PRAY

**Merciful God, you remind us through Scripture
that you desire mercy and not sacrifice.**

**You showed us an example of your mercy
in the life and actions of Jesus Christ.**

**Let your church live out that mercy for others,
as the healing and compassionate presence
that Jesus was in the world.**

In his name we pray. Amen.

✠PASSING OF THE PEACE

✠HYMN OF PRAISE #57

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

✠THE APOSTLES' CREED

✠GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING

Taste and See That the Lord Is Good

(Larson)

✠DOXOLOGY

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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Your Word is powerful and can transform the hearts of men and women.

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PSALTER #767

Psalm 33:1-12

HYMN OF PREPARATION #338

Where He Leads Me

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

SERMON

"Mercy Me"

Dr. Darren M. McClellan

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION ~ *UMH#13*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD / GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

CLOSING HYMN #451

Be Thou My Vision

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

We're Marching to Zion

(arr. by Jeffrey Bennett)

✠ Stand as able

Assisting in Worship Today:

Dr. Darren M. McClellan; Liturgist, Rev. Tom East

Communion Servers: Mary and Walter Corbitt, Emily Garner, Ann Pearson

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

Media and Sound: Colin Richardson

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OPENING SONG

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WELCOME ~ CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Lord, in times when things seem bleak and life feels dark

Help us shine Jesus' light.

In a world where division runs rampant and people don't get along

Help us shine Jesus' light.

When the sun is shining and blessings abound,

Help us shine Jesus' light.

When sadness overcomes us and grief is too much to carry

Help us shine Jesus' light.

When those around us need help, love, and a friendly hand to hold,

Help us shine Jesus' light.

LET US PRAY

Creator of all the stars, galaxies, and planets,

Your power is extravagant and awe-inspiring.

Thank You for being so creative with Your creations.

Help us to be bright lights of Your love to those around us,

leading them to know of Your greatness. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Savannah Bell

Daughter of Rebecca and Keith Bell

SINGING OUR PRAISES

Shine His Light

He is the Light

This Little Light

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GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5:13-15

TESTIMONIES AND CELEBRATION OF VBS

Elizabeth Macklem, Darby Butler, Charlotte and MacKenna Robinson,
Mary Thomas Butler, Linda Smith

SLIDESHOW

MEDITATION

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GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

As you come before God to receive this Holy Meal,
You are invited to bring all of who you are as an offering
to the one who has given all of who he is for us.

****Baskets are available to present your offering
as you come forward to receive the bread and cup.*

INVITATION TO PRAYER AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING SONG

Light of the World

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Acolytes: Emma Clare Furlong, Edmond Furlong

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