



# FAIRHOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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### Invitation to Join the Church ~ Present this to the pastor during the last song.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Joining by Transfer of Church Membership

Transferring from: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Joining by Profession of Faith (have not previously been baptized or a member of a church).

\_\_\_\_\_ Joining by Reaffirmation of Faith (have been baptized but not sure last church where membership was held).

If you are not yet ready to join but would like more information about church membership, contact one of our pastors or attend *Coffee with the Pastors, today @ 9:45AM in the Conference Room, adjacent to the sanctuary.* Enter through the door under the bell tower or by the steps behind the sanctuary facing the parking lot. Look for directional signs on Sunday morning.



# FAIRHOPE

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Third Sunday of Easter  
April 14, 2024 ~ 8:30 and 11:00AM

PRELUDE

*Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise*

(arr. Wayne Wold)

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

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CONFESSION AND PARDON

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LET US PRAY

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**Teach us to live together as one community to your glory so your love is known among all the living. Amen.**

✦PASSING OF THE PEACE

✦HYMN OF PRAISE #100

*God Whose Love is Reigning o'er Us*

8:30 BAPTISM

Avi Neem Dash

Son of Sophie and Abhilash Dash

✦THE APOSTLES' CREED

✦GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING

*Fount of Every Blessing*

(Krug)

✠DOXOLOGY

11:00 CHILDREN'S MOMENT

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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PSALTER (8:30) #741

Psalm 4

HYMN OF PREPARATION

*Lord of All Hopefulness*  
(to the tune of Be Thou My Vision)

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ever child-like, No cares could destroy,  
Be there at our waking, And give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, At the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were skilled At the plane and the lathe,  
Be there at our labours, And give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, At the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to welcome, Your arms to embrace,  
Be there at our homing, And give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, At the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, Whose voice is contentment, Whose presence is balm:  
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 John 3:1-7

SERMON

"What Will We Be?"

Dr. Darren M. McClellan

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *UMH* #13

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD / GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

CLOSING HYMN #310

*He Lives*

8:30 RECEIVING NEW MEMBER ~ Judy DeBray

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

*Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

(arr. Paul Manz)

✠ Stand as able

**Assisting in Worship Today:**

Dr. Darren M. McClellan **Liturgist:** Katie Turner

**Acolytes:** (8:30) Darby Butler (11:00) Olivia Molyneux

**Communion Servers:**

(8:30) Suzan and Steve Christensen, Melanie and Bob Moore

(11:00) Cathi Parish, Jennifer Jones

**Music:** Tom Hood, John Richardson, Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir

**Media and Sound:** Wright Tapscott, John McClellan

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OPENING SONG

*Build My Life*

Shea White, Praise Team

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SINGING OUR PRAISES

*Who You Say I Am*

*God Really Loves Us*

*No Longer Slaves*

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RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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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*

INVITATION TO PRAYER AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

RECEIVING NEW MEMBER ~ Angelie Horn

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A colorful banner for 'Spring Into Worship @ FUMC'. The banner features a stylized church building with a red roof and a cross on top, set against a blue sky with white clouds. The text 'SPRING INTO WORSHIP @ FUMC' is written in a large, outlined font at the top. Below it, 'WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED' is written in a bold, black font. To the right of the church building, there is a list of 'WAYS TO SERVE:' with five bullet points: 'PREP COMMUNION', 'GREETER', 'SERVE COMMUNION', 'USHER', and 'ALTAR GUILD'. At the bottom right of the banner, there is a smaller QR code and contact information: 'CALL: 251-928-1148' and 'EMAIL: KATIE.ROBERTSON@FAIRHOPEUMC.ORG'. The bottom edge of the banner is decorated with a row of colorful flowers.

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