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FAIRHOPE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ World Communion Sunday
October 1, 2023 October 1, 2023 ~ 8:30AM & 11:00AM

PRELUDE

Voluntary

(Leon Boellmann)

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

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✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE #185

When Morning Gilds the Skies

BAPTISM (11:00)

Ann Harper Baker
Daughter of Allie and Ragan Baker

✠ THE APOSTLES' CREED

✠ GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING

Precious Lord

(Dorsey/Carter)

✠ DOXOLOGY

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PSALM (8:30) #810 ~ Psalm 90:13-17

HYMN OF PREPARATION #581 *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service*

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Philippians 2:1-13

SERMON

"One Loaf At A Time"

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

Brother, Sister, Let Me Serve You (The Servant Song)

Brother, sister let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey; we're together on this road.
we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh, I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.

Let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you.

SENDING FORTH

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS ~ Ragan, Allie, Ames and Annie Baker; Rosalyn and David Baker;
Peggy Brandes; Karen Phillips; Bill, Alliene and Sarah Varner

POSTLUDE

Fanfare

(Jacques Lemmens)

✱ Stand as able

Assisting in Worship Today: Dr. Darren M. McClellan **Liturgist:** Dr. Ann Pearson

Acolyte: (11:00) Cas Tucker

Communion Servers: (8:30) Helen Ingram, Kinga and Duke Low, Lucy Sowell
(11:00) Gene Kirchoff, Dale McClellan, Kimberly McKeough, Carol Willis

Music Team: Tom Hood, John Richardson, Chancel Choir

Media and Sound: John McClellan, Wright Tapscott

Music notes: French organist Leon Boellmann (1862-1897) studied organ with Eugene Gigout and served as organist at the Church of St. Vincent de Paul in Paris. Jacques Lemmens (1823-1881) was a Belgian organist and composer. He trained with Adolph Hesse in Germany and taught at the Royal Brussels Conservatory where his students included Alexandre Guilmant and Charles-Marie Widor.



**WEDNESDAY SUPPER
AT FAIRHOPE UMC**
OCTOBER 4TH/5:00PM-6:00PM

MENU

CHEESE MANICOTTI
WITH BOLOGNESE

CAESAR SALAD WITH
SOURDOUGH
CROUTONS

ASSORTED CAKES

\$7 FOR ADULTS
\$4 FOR CHILDREN
MAX \$25 PER FAMILY

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Shea White, Praise Team

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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

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Assisting in Worship Today: Cathi Parish

Acolytes: Savannah Bell

Communion Servers: Nadine and Barry Baskin, Shelly and Rick Fitzhugh, Kevin Parish, Ann Pearson

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SMALL GROUP ELECTIVE STUDIES

NEW STUDY ADDED: EPIC OF EDEN - JONAH In *The Epic of Eden: Jonah*, Dr. Sandra Richter takes us on a journey through Jonah's life that leads us all to the place where we realize that our God is way bigger than we thought. Are we willing to let God be God, to move us out of our comfort zones, and embrace a calling that might just take us to the edges of the world we know? *Facilitated by Emily Garner and Michelle Graham.* **Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 am.** Eight-week study begins October 11th. Cost of Materials: \$20. Register through the website (preferred) or call the church office.

STUDY ON 2 CORINTHIANS Four-week study continues through Monday, October 16 and will meet in the sanctuary. No registration required. *Facilitated by Dr. Ann Pearson.* **Mondays, 1:00 pm.**

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