



THE GATHERING

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY *
FEBRUARY 1ST, 2026 11:00AM AT FAIRHOPE UMC

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preaching: Bishop Jonathan Holston

Liturgists: Rev. Michael Precht, Dr. Kristen Curtis Wright

Communion Servers: Emily & Doug Garner, Katie & Lee Turner

Music: Shea White and Praise Band, Dr. Kristen Curtis Wright

Media and Sound: Cole Jones, Karl Langley, Jamie Waldhour

Stephen Minister: Dr. Ann Pearson

Ushers: Rick Fitzhugh, Charles Scearce, Phil Webb

**Our worship seasons allow us to re-experience the full life and ministry of Jesus every year. The third season of the Christian year, "Ordinary Time," is devoted to Jesus' preaching and healing ministry. It is a time to meditate on God's will for the order of things — God's "ordinary" is extraordinary to us!*

OPENING SONG *This is Amazing Grace*
WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP
SINGING OUR PRAISE

PSALM 148

Rise Up (Lazarus)

Reckless Love

King of Kings

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 receive Holy Communion with their families. Nursery is available for children 4 years and younger in the Education Building.

SCRIPTURE *Micah 6:6-8*

SERMON *The Heart of the Matter*

CONFSSION AND PARDON

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, 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.

THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~ THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

BENEDICTION

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

8:30am Traditional Worship
9:45am Sunday Schools
11:00am Combined Gathering
Worship

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

10:00am Quarterly Birthday
Celebration
3:00pm Grief Support Group
6:00pm Stephen Minister
Supervision

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

7:00am Youth Breakfast Club
9:30am Fruit of the Spirit Study
9:30am Caregiver's Support Group
5:30pm Handbell Choir

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

9-11:00am TJ's Food Ministry
1:30pm Dr. Ann's Drop-in Bible
Study
4:00pm Coastal Community
Dinner Crew
4:15pm Lighthouse Children's
Choir
5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper
6:00pm Rev. Precht's Drop-In
Bible Study
6:00pm Chancel Choir Practice
6:00pm SALT Student Ministry
6:00pm Pier Kids & Swift Ministry

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

9-11:00am TJ's Food Ministry

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

11:00am-1pm Community Café

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

8:30am Traditional Worship
9:45am Sunday Schools
9:45am Coffee with the Pastors
11:00am Traditional Worship
11:00am Gathering Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDNESDAY SUPPER MENU ~ FEBRUARY 4TH

**ITALIAN STUFFED SHELLS, SEASONED GREEN BEANS,
CAESAR SALAD, ROLLS, LEMON CREAM CAKE**

Kids: Meatball Sub, Fruit, Italian Ice

Go online or call the church office to make your
reservation!

Quarterly Birthday Celebration | February 2nd

Drop-In Quarterly Birthday Celebration for members
with birthdays in December, January, or February.
Join us in the CLC Parlor between 10:00 and
11:30am. RSVP to Dr. Ann Pearson.
Ann.pearson@fairhopeumc.org

Jazz Sunday & Brunch | February 15th

Join us as we celebrate the season with joyful jazz
music interwoven throughout our worship services.
We will gather at 8:30am and for a **combined**
11:00am service in the Sanctuary. Between services, a
Jazz Brunch will be served at 9:45am in Wesley Hall.
Come enjoy this vibrant musical offering and time for
fellowship.

Ash Wednesday Worship Services | February 18th

Join us for worship and the imposition of ashes as we
begin this sacred journey through Lent together.
Services will be held at Noon and at 6:00pm in the
evening, as well as a come-and-go imposition of ashes
by the bay at 4:00pm. All are welcome to enter this
season with reflection, humility, and renewal.

Created By God | February 27th-28th

Created by God; Wonderfully Made is a powerful
workshop for 5th-6th graders and their parents to learn
about their growing bodies through a faith-filled, age-
appropriate lens. This course helps families start
meaningful conversations about body changes and
relationships. To register use the QR code.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CIVIC SERVANTS | CONGREGATION | PRISONERS

HOSPITALIZED

Bill Calhoun, Bill Varner

Monthly Finance Report: Through October, income and expenses remain on track with our 2025 budget. We anticipate ending the year with a small increase in reserves.

If you would like more information about church membership, contact one of our pastors or attend **Coffee with the Pastors on February 8th @ 9:45AM in the Christian Life Center Parlor.** Look for directional signs on Sunday morning.

ONE LINK. ALL THE INFO. Want to sign up? Volunteer? Register your kids? RSVP for an event? Scan the QR code to access all of Fairhope UMC's resources in one place! Stay in the loop...**SCAN NOW!**



"LOVE BOLDLY, CASTING THE LIGHT OF JESUS INTO THE WORLD"

REV. MICHAEL PRECHT, SENIOR PASTOR
DR. KRISTEN CURTIS WRIGHT, ASSOCIATE PASTOR

REV. SHEILA BATES, SOUTHWEST DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT
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