

A Message from our Pastor:

Welcome to worship with the family of Fairhope Christian Church. We gather today in the presence of our Lord. In the minutes that stretch before us, we have another opportunity to lift our voices in praise and commitment. As we unite our hearts and minds in love for the Father, we will discover again the strength of His grace in our lives. I’m glad you’ve chosen to spend this time with us!


FAIRHOPE CHRISTIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST		
John & Frances Alford	Calvin Hanson	Waylon Moody
Nevitt Baker	Peggy Harbin	Margaret Parish
Jesse Bond	Evan Harrison	Tony Pearce
Jessica Fleming	Helen Hartley	John Ray
Chris Fogarty	Kay Inman	Elise Rogers
Louise Good	Louis Mapp	Jeanette Smith
Sharon Gunn	Stephanie McLaughlin	Patricia Walker
Don Hamilton	Rev. Bob Moffitt	

MILITARY PRAYER REQUESTS:

Sgt. Samantha Helms
Anchorage, AK; granddaughter of Morris & Janet

THERE IS HOPE (AA) * Meets in basement
Mon-Fri 7:30am, 12pm; Tues 5:30pm
Sat 9am - men only; 10:30am women only

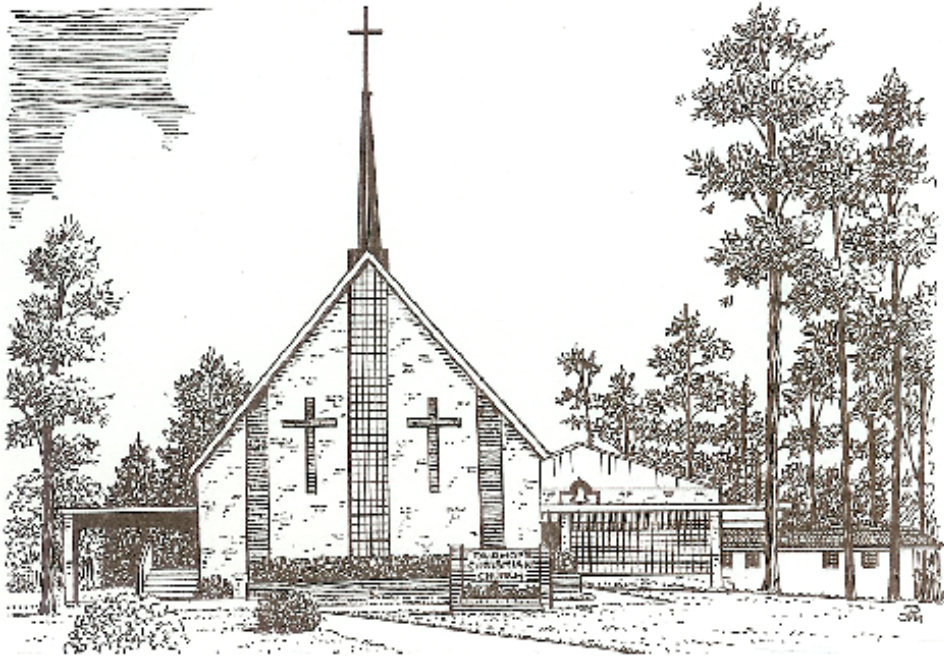
May 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
18 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship	19 1:30 Craft Circle 6-9 Boy Scouts Honor Ceremony	20	21 1 May Planning Meeting	22 No Bible Study	23	24
25 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 11:30 Admin Board Meeting	26 OFFICE CLOSED  Memorial Day	27	28	29 2 Adult Bible Study	30 1-5 Red Cross Blood Drive	31
1 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship	2 1:30 Craft Circle	3	4 Pastor Out	5 Pastor Out 2 Adult Bible Study	6 Anya & Pastor Out	7
8 Pentecost 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship	9 1:30 Craft Circle	10	11	12 2 Adult Bible Study	13	14

FAIRHOPE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

May 18, 2025
Fifth Sunday of Easter
10:00 am



“Reach up to God, Reach into our hearts,
Reach out to others.”

FAIRHOPE CHRISTIAN CHURCH WAS FOUNDED IN 1896. THIS CHURCH SEEKS TO BIND CHRISTIANS TOGETHER IN MEANINGFUL FELLOWSHIP, NOT THROUGH UNIFORMITY OF DOCTRINE, BUT THROUGH UNITY OF COMMITMENT TO THE ONE LORD AND WILLINGNESS TO SERVE HIM IN THIS COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD AT LARGE.

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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

“The product of the Church is a relationship with Christ, not religion.”

We welcome you into this sanctuary and pray that in your time here you feel the presence of God. This service is being live-streamed to our website.

GATHERING

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS LAY LEADER

Greeting: Peace be with you.
And also with you.

The Bringing Forth of the Light † ACOLYTE

OPENING HYMN † HOLY, HOLY, HOLY #4, v1,4

CALL TO WORSHIP † All

Leader: Jesus said, “This is my commandment: Love one another.”
People: We came to worship the God who is love, that we may learn to love one another.
Leader: Jesus said, “No longer do I call you servants; but now I call you friends.”
People: We come to worship the God whose friends we are through Jesus.
Leader: Let us sing praise to God,
People: And live in love and friendship toward all people,
ALL: Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER LAY LEADER

HYMN OF PRAISE COME CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING #90, v1,3

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

PEOPLE: We are hard to convince about the range and fullness of your grace, O God. Forgive us because we need to hear again and again your message to us. Teach us to honor differences, to admit & drop prejudices, & to let go of discrimination. For the sake of all members of your family. Amen..

OFFERING

Offertory Sentences PASTOR
Doxology † #46 ALL
The Offertory Prayer † PASTOR
Congregational Response † #382 ALL

We give thee but thine own, what e’er the gift may be,
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

PRAYERS

HYMN OF PRAYER NEAR TO THE HEART OF GOD #581, v1, 2

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/PASTORAL PRAYER PASTOR
Congregational Response “Hear our prayer!”

LORD’S PRAYER (forgive us our trespasses)..... PEOPLE

SPECIAL MUSIC CHOIR

THE WORD

HOLY SCRIPTURE ACTS 11:1-18 READER

(pg. 1711, Holy Bible, NIV)

MESSAGE “No Distinction” PASTOR

GLORIA PATRI † #35 ALL

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table PASTOR

Hymn of Communion EAT THIS BREAD #414

Prayers for the Bread & Cup ELDER

Words of Institution PASTOR

Sharing of the Emblems ALL

All who want a closer relationship with Jesus are welcome to share communion with us. Please partake of the bread and cup separately at the pastor’s invitation.

SENDING

HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP †.. THEY’LL KNOW WE ARE CHISTIANS ...#517, V1

BENEDICTION † PASTOR

THE GOING FORTH OF THE LIGHT †..... ACOLYTE

POSTLUDE MUSIC MINISTER

† = Please stand if you are able.

Today’s Servants:

Elders Donna Kenny, Fred Crawford
Deacons Pam Maddox, Jim Maddox
Lay Leader Fred Crawford
Reader Ken Vaughan
Music Ministers Anya Scott, Jonathan Light
Ministers Congregation
Pastor Betty Massey

May 25 Servants:

Lay Leader: Donna Kenny
Reader: Gene Booth
Fellowship: Susan & Pam

May 25 Hymns:

Opening: #722, This Is My Song
Praise: #100, When Morning Gilds the Skies
Prayer: #324, Your Words To Me Are Life & Health
Com.: #414, Eat This Break
Discipleship: #630, We Shall Overcome

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

Christian Education (all) - 9:00 am † Worship Service - 10:00 am

THURSDAY SCHEDULE:

Adult Bible Study 2:00 pm

NEWS AND EVENTS

- † The Baldwin Pops will present its annual Memorial Day Concert on May 18th and May 25th. Anya will be singing with the choir. The May 25th concert will be held at the Fairhope Pier at 6pm.
† We will have a June planning meeting on Wednesday at 1.
† Our next administrative board meeting has been moved to the last Sunday of May, May 25th at 11:30, after fellowship.

From Sunday, May 11, 2025:

† Worship Attendance: 47 †

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