# 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	Rev. Bob Moffitt
Jesse Bond	Peggy Harbin	Waylon Moody
Jim Clifford	Evan Harrison	Margaret Parish
Jessica Fleming	Helen Hartley	Tony Pearce
Chris Fogarty	Kay Inman Stephanie	John Ray Renae Robinson
Louise Good	McLaughlin	Elise Rogers
Sharon Gunn	Ken & Ann	Jeanette Smith
Don Hamilton	McWayne	Patricia Walker
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## **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

# **April 2025**

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
9a Christian Ed 10a Worship	1:30 Craft Circle			2 Adult Bible Study		9 CMF
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
PALM SUNDAY  9a Christian Ed	1:30 Craft			11 Lunch Bunch	Prayer Vigil 6am -	9am
10a Worship 11 Luncheon	Circle			2 Adult Bible Study	6pm 6:30 Good Friday Service	CWF
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
EASTER SUNDAY	1:30 Craft					ACT II
9a Christian Ed	Circle			2 Adult Bible		Planning Retreat
10a Worship				Study		8-5
No fellowship						



# FAIRHOPE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

March 30, 2025

Fourth Sunday in Lent
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/A	NNOUNCEMENTSLAY LEADER
Greeting:	Peace be with you.
	And also with you.
The Bringing	Forth of the Light † ACOLYTE
OPENING HY	MN† O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING #5, All
CALL TO WO	RSHIP <b>†</b> All
Leader:	God comes to grant to us the gift of forgiveness.
People:	We stand in need of God's forgiveness and mercy.
Leader:	That gift God grants us, but God also gives us more.
People:	What more can God give us than forgiveness.
Leader:	God gives us the grace to forgive others.
People:	As God's forgiven, we will offer forgiveness to others.
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# LENTEN CANDLE LITURGY

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#### PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

ALL: Lord, so many times we have wandered off in our own directions, chasing after our dreams, only to wake up and find ourselves completely lost without You. We have focused only on the present and forgotten You are the God of Eternity.

Forgive us, Lord, and lead us lovingly home.

In Christ we pray. Amen.

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

**OFFERING** 

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 IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL #561, v1 & 3		
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/PASTORAL PRAYER PASTOR		
Congregational Response "Hear our prayer!"		
LORD'S PRAYER		
SPECIAL MUSIC		
THE WORD		
HOLY SCRIPTURE LUKE 15:1-3 & 11-32 READER		
(pg. 1623, Holy Bible, NIV)		
MESSAGE "I'm Coming Home!" PASTOR		
GLORIA PATRI †		

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
Hymn of Communion
AN UPPER ROOM DID OUR LORD PREPARE#385, v 1,2
Prayers for the Bread & Cup ELDER
Words of Institution
Sharing of the Emblems
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 † PASS IT ON	#477, v1, 3
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	Sue Hammac, Tina Frego
Lay Leader	Donna Kenny
Reader	Donna Kenny
Music Ministers	Anya Scott, Jonathan Light
Ministers	Congregation
Pastor	Betty Massey

#### **April 6 Servants:**

#### April 6 Hymns:

Lay Leader: Fred Crawford Reader: Linda McCullough Fellowship: Tina, Carolyn Opening: 59, This Is My Father's World Praise: #197, Beneath The Cross of Jesus Prayer: #578 I Need Thee Every Hour Com.: #349 My Jesus, I Love Thee Discipleship: #526, The Gift of Love

#### **SUNDAY SCHEDULE:**

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

#### THURSDAY SCHEDULE

2 Adult Bible Study

#### NEWS AND EVENTS

- † The CMF will meet Saturday at 9.
- † Please invite your family and friends and neighbors to our Holy Week events.
  - † Sunday April 13 is Palm Sunday and Luncheon.
  - † Friday April 18 is our Prayer Vigil 6am 6pm, followed by Good Friday Tenebrae Service at 6:30.
  - † April 20 is Resurrection Sunday.

From Sunday, March 23, 2025: † Worship Attendance: 47 †

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