A Message from our Pastor:

Dear Friends,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! Whether you are a long-time member or visiting with us for the first time, we are truly blessed by your presence today. As we gather in worship, may this be a time of renewal, encouragement, and deep connection with God and one another. May you feel the love of Christ in every song sung, every word spoken, and every heart gathered.

We are glad you are here.

Pastor Betty

FAIRHOPE CHRISTIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST

John & Frances	Family of Marlene	Rev. Bob Moffitt
Alford	Gunnerson	Waylon Moody
June Berry	Don Hamilton	John Ray
Jesse Bond	Calvin Hanson	Caron Ragland
Leslie Chandler	Peggy Harbin	Ann Sadler
Gerald Chapman	Helen Hartley	Millie Stephens
Family of Marilyn	Kay Inman	Adam & Brandi
Cotton	Stephanie	Swedenburg
Jessica Fleming	McLaughlin	Ron Vilord
Sharon Gunn	Milton Mills	Erika White

THERE IS HOPE (AA) * Meets in basement

Mon-Fri 7:30am, 12pm; Tues 5:30pm

Sat 9am - men only; 10:30am women only

SEPTEMBER 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
9a Christian Ed 10a Worship	1:30 Craft Circle			7 Boy Scouts Meeting		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9a Christian Ed 10a Worship	Pastor Out District Mtg 1:30 Craft Circle	3-4:30 Boy's Bible Club		1-5 Red Cross Blood Drive		11-1 Secret Sister Reveal Party
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 3 Eagle Scout Ceremony	1:30 Craft Circle	3-4:30 Boy's Bible Club		11 Lunch Bunch 2 Adult Bible Study 6 Admin. Board Meeting		9 CWF & CMF
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9a Christian Ed 10a Worship	1:30 Craft Circle	3-4:30 Boy's Bible Club		1 October Planning Meeting 2 Adult Bible Study		



FAIRHOPE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)
August 31, 2025
Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost
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 BRINGIN	NG FORTH OF THE LIGHT † ACOLYTE
OPENING HY	YMN † COME CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING #90, V. 1-3
CALL TO WO	PRSHIP †
Leader:	Let all who love the Lord gather in this house and worship.
People:	Let the great and the small and the rich and the poor
	come.
Leader:	Let the mighty and the weak and the proud and the
	humble come.
People:	Let our hearts be focused this day on the glory of the
	Lord.
Leader:	Let us sing with joy that we are all made welcome in
	God's house.
People:	Blessed be the name of the Lord!
OPENING PR	AYERLAY LEADER
HYMN OF PR	AISE FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH $\#56\mathrm{V.}1,4,5$
PRAYER OF	RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

PEOPLE: Lord, you taught us not to be puffed up or full of pride, yet so often we seek our own glory. You lived your life in true humility, yet so often we seek prideful greatness. Forgive us and heal our hearts, Lord, and help us share your love with others. In Christ we pray. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory Sentences	 PASTOR
Doxology †	
The Offertory Prayer †	 PASTOR
Congregational Response †	

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	JESU, JESU	#600, V. 1, 5
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	/PASTORAL PRAYER	PASTOR
Congregational Respon	nse	"Hear our prayer!"
LORD'S PRAYER	(forgive us our trespasse	es) PEOPLE
SPECIAL MUSIC		

THE WORD

HOLY SCRIPTURE	Luke 14:1, 7-14	READER
(pg	gs. 1621, Holy Bible, NIV)	
MESSAGE "SG GOE	S TO A LUNCHEON"	PASTOR
GLORIA PATRI †	#36	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
Hynn of Communion FAT THIS BREAD#414, 2x
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 † TAKE MY LIFE	& LET IT BE#609, v.1
BENEDICTION †	PASTOR
THE GOING FORTH OF THE LIGHT †	ACOLYTE
POSTLUDE	MUSIC MINISTER

† = Please stand if you are able.

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Today's Servants:

Elders	Morris & Janet Helms
Deacons	Margaret Jennings, Tria Williams
Lay Leader	Fred Crawford
Reader	Ron Jackson
Music Minister	Jonathan Light
Ministers	
Pastor	Betty Massey
Guest Pastor	David Massey

September 7 Servants:

Lay Leader: Fred Crawford; Reader: Gene Boothe Fellowship: Tina

September 7 Hymns:

Opening: #687, In Christ There Is No East or West, v1, 4 Praise: #115, There's Something About That Name, 1x Prayer: #461, Love, Whose Love Through Humble Service. v1,4 Communion: #411, For the Bread, Which You Have Broken Discipleship: #600, Jesu, Jesu, v1

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

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

NEWS AND EVENTS

- † We are collecting toy items for <u>Operation Christmas Child</u>: legos, balls, playdoh, slinkies, etch-a-sketch, small cars, etc.
- † <u>CMF</u> will not meet on Saturday, September 6th but will meet on Sept 20th along with **CWF**, at 9:00am. The guest speaker will be Shiela Waters of Operation Christmas Child.
- † Our <u>Secret Sister</u> final REVEAL for the year will be held on September 13, 11-1 at the home of Margaret Jennings in Malbis, at 29679 St. George St., Daphne. We will enjoy a "Shared Salad Saturday". Please bring your favorite salad with dressing. Call/text Margaret at 251-648-7126 to RSVP.
- † Adult Bible Study will resume Thursday, Sept. 18th, 2:00pm.

From Sunday, August 24, 2025: † Worship Attendance: 64 †