



THE GOOD NEWS

FROM

FAIRHOPE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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AUGUST 2026



Pastor's Corner - August

The New Testament paints a beautiful picture of believers being intentionally connected to one another. We are not meant to walk the Christian life alone. Scripture reminds us, "Now you are the body of Christ, and individually members of it" (1 Corinthians 12:27). God has gifted each believer to strengthen, encourage, and serve the church. Coming together as one body of Christ, one family, acknowledges that commitment and provides a clear opportunity to live out our calling together.

The writer of Hebrews encourages us: "And let us consider one another in order to provoke love and good works, not neglecting to gather together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging each other, and all the more as you see the Day approaching" (Hebrews 10:24-25). Faithful worship is a wonderful beginning, but God also invites us into deeper relationships, shared ministry, and mutual accountability within His church.

I want to express my gratitude for each person who faithfully gathers with us week after week. Your consistent presence in worship, your prayers, your encouragement of others, and your participation in the life of our church are a blessing to our congregation and a testimony to God's faithfulness.

If you have been worshipping with us regularly and sense that God has made this your church home, I encourage you to prayerfully consider taking the next step of becoming part of our church family through membership. If you have questions about what church membership means, or if you would simply like to talk and pray about it, I would be honored to visit with you. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me. I'd love the opportunity to hear your story, answer your questions, and help you discern God's direction.

May the Lord continue to strengthen our faith, deepen our love for one another, and use each of us for His glory as we serve Him together.

Pastor Betty



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship	3 1:30 Craft Circle	4	5 12 Bible Study & Lunch	6 2 Bible Study	7	8 9 CMF
9 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship Guest Speaker OCC	10 Pastor Out - District V mtg. 1:30 Craft Circle	11	12 12 Bible Study & Lunch	13 2 Bible Study	14	15
16 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 11 Elders meet Food Drive Collection	17 9:30-11 PRC 1:30 Craft Circle	18	19 12 Bible Study & Lunch	20  11 Lunch Bunch Clovis Cafe 2 Bible Study	21	22
23 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship  3 Ice Cream Social Cammie's Old Dutch	24 1:30 Craft Circle	25	26 12 Bible Study & Lunch 1 September Planning Meeting	27 2 Bible Study	28	29
30 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship	31 1:30 Craft Circle					

CWF News from Dian Mangus

Our next meeting will be held in September jointly with Christian Mens Fellowship. Our speakers, Ilene Greene and Dr. Paul LeBlanc, will be sharing information about Fairhope United Methodist Church's Shepherd's Place. The date will be announced in August.



Our next Ice Cream Social is planned for August 23rd at 3 at Cammie's Old Dutch on rt. 24. Feel free to bring your family and your neighbors.



Food Drive for South Baldwin Christian Church in Foley. We will collect food on the 16th .



Our Lunch Bunch has decided to meet at Clovis Cave until further notice. Please join us on every 3rd Thursday at 11.

Matt Wyatt of Guthrie's Chicken will talk with the CMF on Saturday, August 1 at 9:00 about small business. This will be a great opportunity to understand what it takes to be a business owner in our community with up and down economic opportunities.



AUGUST LITURGY

August 2:	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost	GREEN
	Genesis 32:22-31; Psalm 17: 1-7, 15; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21	
August 9:	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost	GREEN
	Genesis 37: 1-4, 12-28; Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b; Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33	
August 16:	Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	GREEN
	Genesis 45:1-15; Psalm 133; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:21-28	
August 23:	Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	GREEN
	Exodus 1:8-2:10; Psalm 124; Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20	
August 30:	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	GREEN
	Exodus 3:1-15; Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28	

Fellowship and Grow in God's Word.



- Sundays 9:00 Adult Sunday School - follows a guided study of the Bible.
- Wednesdays 12:00 Bible Study & Lunch – currently studying Ephesians and sharing a meal.
- Thursday 2:00 video guided study through the eyes of Ray Vander Laan as he walks the lands of the Bible.

OUR CHURCH PRAYER LIST

<i>June Berry</i>	<i>Brandon Gates</i>	<i>McCullough</i>
<i>Tiffany Bishop</i>	<i>Minnie & Don Hamilton</i>	<i>Stephanie McLaughlin</i>
<i>Jesse Bond</i>	<i>Karen Hand</i>	<i>Molly & Rudy Nordman</i>
<i>Joanne Brown</i>	<i>Calvin Hanson</i>	<i>Cary & Margaret Parish</i>
<i>Family of Bill Carpenter</i>	<i>Morris Helms</i>	<i>John Ray</i>
<i>Paula Darnell</i>	<i>Buddy Light</i>	<i>Elise Rogers</i>
<i>Hollis Davis</i>	<i>Betty Maddox</i>	<i>Lew Rollins</i>
<i>Jessica Fleming</i>	<i>Linda & Wayne</i>	<i>Blake Van Loon</i>

Operation Christmas Child Update - from Pam Chambers

Thank you to everyone who has donated items to put in shoeboxes, empty shoeboxes, or donated money during July.

For August we're asking for donations of hygiene items. We need washcloths, toothbrushes, hair accessories, and combs and brushes.

We have a white laundry basket in the foyer to put your donations. If you want to donate, but don't want to go shopping you can also donate money. Make your check out to the church and put OCC in the memo line.



Important dates for Operation Christmas Child:

August 9, 2026-Official Kickoff for Operation Christmas Child- Sheila Waters, Area Coordinator, will talk about the shoeboxes and show a special video at our worship service.

October 17, 2026- Work Day starting at 10:00

November 14, 2026- Packing Party starting at 10:00

If you have any questions about OCC or want to help, please talk to Pam Chambers.

Share Your Gifts in Worship

Our worship services are made richer when members of our church family share their gifts. We invite you to consider serving as a **Lay Leader** or **Scripture Reader** in an upcoming service. Material is supplied but the pastor is always open to suggested changes.

The **Lay Leader** offers a warm welcome to everyone gathered, leads the Call to Worship, and offers the Invocation. This important role helps set the tone for worship.

The **Scripture Reader** has the privilege of reading God's Word during the service, helping bring the biblical message to life for the congregation.

You don't need to be a public speaker or have previous experience, just a willing heart. If you feel called to serve or want more information, please contact Fred Crawford for Lay Leader, Donna Kenny for Scripture Reader, or Pastor Betty for either.

Thank you Choir!

As we enjoy the summer season, the choir will be taking a break & will resume singing on the **last Sunday in August**. We extend our heartfelt thanks to each choir member for sharing your time, talent, & dedication throughout the year. Your music has enriched our worship, lifted our spirits, & helped lead our congregation in praising God. We are grateful for the many hours of rehearsal & faithful service you give so generously.

AUGUST 2026 SERVANTS

	<u>Lay Leaders</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Fellowship</u>	<u>Deacons</u>	<u>Elders</u>
Aug 2	Donna Kenny	Tria Williams	Tina	Pam & Jim	Fred & Donna
Aug 9	Don Jennings	Donna Kenny	Pam & Sue	Pam & Jim	Fred & Donna
Aug 16	Fred Crawford	Don Jennings	Linda & Norma	Pam & Jim	Fred & Donna
Aug 23	Gene Boothe	Gene Boothe	Carolyn & Tina	Pam & Jim	Fred & Donna
Aug 30	David Chambers	David Chambers	Pam & Jim	Pam & Jim	Fred & Donna



8/6 Tommy Boatwright

8/11 Tina Frego

8/11 Wayne McCullough

8/13 Don Jennings

8/15 Pam Chambers

8/18 Gabe Light

8/30 Morris Helms



8/14 Debbie Kelly & Ronnie Jackson

8/18 Louis & Melinda Mapp



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Join us! Everyone is welcome!

Sunday Schedule:

Sunday School - 9 am

Worship Service - 10 am

(live-streaming online)

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Monday – Friday

10 am - 2 pm

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