

WELCOME, GUESTS! We are honored to worship God with you today. If you would like to become a member of Fernwood Baptist Church, you are invited to speak with the minister following the worship service or by emailing matt@fernwoodchurch.org. If you need pastoral care, please call 864-582-7467.

Our Vision

*is to be Christ to each other and our community –
doing justice, loving mercy and walking humbly
with our God.*



Guest Information

Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone # _____

Cell # _____

Best Time to Call: Morning Afternoon Night

Email Address _____

Your Age Group:

13-18 19-29 30-39 40-49

50-59 60-69 70 & Older

Children:

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Please check the applicable:

First time guest Returning guest

Would like information about the church

New to the area Would like a visit

Would like to know more about becoming a Christian

I am a guest of _____

Prayer Request _____

All Members of Fernwood Baptist Church, Ministers

Mrs. Marcia Harris Music Associate
 Rev. Matthew K. Johnson..... Senior Pastor
 Mrs. Angie M. QuinnAdministrative Assistant
 Mrs. Rebecca Turner Music Associate
 Dr. Stafford Turner Director of Music Ministries
 Mrs. Mary Helen Wessinger Financial Administrator

Sunday: Sunday School **10:00 a.m.** Worship **11:00 a.m.**

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Sunday, May 16, 2021

Ascension Sunday

Seventh Sunday of Easter

The Worship of God

The Lord's Day May 16, 2021

The Welcome & Announcements Rev. Matthew Johnson

The Ministry of Music Charles C. Converse
arr. Ellen Jane Lorenz

Everything to God in Prayer
Rebecca Turner, piano

As the candles are lighted, we celebrate the presence of Christ, who is the Light.

The Passing of the Peace

The Pastoral Prayer Matt Johnson

The Gospel Lesson Mason Harris

Luke 24:44-53; NRSV

One: The Good News offered for all.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Hymn of Praise, No. 219 LLANFAIR

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

1. Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia!
to his throne above the skies; Alleluia!
Christ, the Lamb for sinners given, Alleluia!
enters now the highest heaven. Alleluia!

2. There for him high triumph waits, Alleluia!
lift your heads, eternal gates, Alleluia!
he has conquered death and sin. Alleluia!
Take the King of Glory in! Alleluia!

3. See! The heaven its Lord receives, Alleluia!
yet he loves the earth he leaves, Alleluia!
though returning to his throne, Alleluia!
still he calls the world his own. Alleluia!

4. See! He lifts his hands above! Alleluia!
See, he shows the prints of love! Alleluia!
Hark! His gracious lips bestow, Alleluia!
blessings on his church below. Alleluia!

During the hymn, the children will be dismissed to Children's Church.

The Epistle Reading Matt Johnson

1 John 5:9-13; NRSV

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon Matt Johnson

What Does Love Mean?
Love Means...Telling

The Offertory Prayer Gerald Keown

The Returning of Tithes & Giving of Offerings

The Offertory Music Babbie Mason and Donna Douglas

What Can Separate You?

Lori League, soprano; Rebecca Turner, piano

His love reached from the heavens to the far ends of the earth.

To give you life forever, he left no stone unturned.

And before the birth of time, Jesus had you on his mind.

So you never need to question his concern.

So, what can separate you from the precious love of God?

Who would ever come against his strong and perfect love?

So when you're in the valley, and your nights are cold and lonely,
the darkest hour is just before the dawn.

Remember, nothing can separate you from God's love.

He numbers each and every star and calls them all by name.

He counts them one by one and sees that they are still in place.

If he cares for every star, then he sees right where you are.

You can trust you'll never fall from his embrace.

So, what can separate you from the precious love of God?

Who would ever come against his strong and perfect love?

So when you're in the valley, and your nights are cold and lonely,
the darkest hour is just before the dawn.

Remember, nothing can separate you.

Neither pain or sorrow, not today and not tomorrow,

nothing past or nothing present, nothing future, nothing ever.

Remember, nothing can separate you from the precious love of God.

The Doxology OLD 100^a

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him, above ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Hymn of Response, No. 590 SOLID ROCK

The Solid Rock

1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand,
all other ground is sinking sand.

2. When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand,
all other ground is sinking sand.

3. His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood;
when all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand,
all other ground is sinking sand.

4. When he shall come with trumpet sound,
oh, may I then in him be found,
dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand,
all other ground is sinking sand.

The Pastoral Benediction Matt Johnson

The Ministry of Music Oliver Holden
arr. Barry Braman

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
Rebecca Turner, piano

As we prepare for service, the Light of Christ goes out before us.

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