

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.*

IMPORTANT NEWS

Masks are required, even if you have been vaccinated. Due to the recent number of new Covid cases, we are taking all precautions to protect everyone. There are masks provided at each entrance of the Sanctuary lobby.

Ministry Team Opportunities Sign-Up List

The Ministry team sign-up list are located out on the table in the concourse. Each of our Ministry Teams has a facilitator who coordinates the activities of the team. You do not have to be a church member to be on a ministry team. You can be on multiple ministry teams, and you can choose your level of involvement on each team. You choose the teams where you feel called to serve.

If you have questions about a particular Ministry Team, please contact the appropriate team facilitator.

MISSIONS NEWS

A Mission right here in our own backyard. You can help Habitat for Humanity of Spartanburg do that very thing. The house being built is in Spartanburg and workday is on Saturday, November 20, from 8:30 until 12:30. Sign-up sheets are in the lobby on the information table. For more information contact Russ Blackburn – 864-621-6095.

Drive Thru Trick or Treat – Sunday, October 31 from 5 until 6pm

We need bags of candy (individually wrapped) to help make our bags which we hand out. Please bring to the church office. We will need candy by Wednesday, October 27 so we can put baggies together to distribute. We also need volunteers to participate in the event. If you have any questions, please contact Sabrina Myers 864-621-3610 or someone in the Ministry Council if you can help.

All Members of Fernwood Baptist Church, Ministers

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



Sunday, October 3, 2021

World Communion Sunday

Sunday: Sunday School in-person and online **9:45 a.m.**

Worship in-person and online **11:00 a.m.**

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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 _____

The Worship of God

The Lord’s Day October 3, 2021

The Welcome & Announcements Rev. Matthew Johnson

The Ministry of Music Alexander Reinagle
arr. Healey Willan

In Christ There Is No East or West
Marcia Harris, organ

The Call to Worship MARION
We Love Our Church, O God!
Sanctuary Choir

We love our Church, O God!
We will in her invest;
Our time and tithe we offer up,
We give to you our best.
We love our Church, O God!

The Passing of the Peace

†The Hymn of Praise, No. 22 DUKE STREET
How Great Our God’s Majestic Name

1. How great our God’s majestic name! His glory fills the earth and sky.
His praise the heavenly host proclaim, eternal God and Lord most high.

2. His fingers set the moon in place, the stars their maker’s hand declare;
in earth and sky alike we trace the pattern of his constant care.

3. And what of us? Creation’s crown, upheld in God’s eternal mind;
on whom he looks in mercy down for tender love of humankind.

4. His praise the heavenly host proclaim and we his children tell his worth:
how great is God’s majestic name, his glory seen in all the earth!

A Litany of Gifts Rebecca Turner
Based on I Corinthians 12:4-13

One: There are many gifts, talents, and abilities given by God.

All: But there is only one Spirit.

One: There are a variety of things we can do to serve the Lord.

All: But it is the same Lord we all serve.

One: There are many activities we can do to serve God: teach, sing, clean, preach,
play, work...

All: But all these are activated by God.

One: There are many manifestations of God’s Spirit in the world.

All: It is impossible to list them all.

One: To say that one is better than another is foolish.

All: God gives to each as God chooses. Thanks be to God!

†The Hymn of Adoration No. 466 BEACH SPRING
Jesus, At Your Holy Table

1. Jesus, at your holy table, may our hearts united be.
Bind us with your grace and presence that redeem and set us free.
Crucify our pride and hatred, light the path on which we walk.
Teach us how to love each other, in the way that you have taught.

2. Christ, remind us of your passion, of your precious life outpoured,
of the love which none can fathom, and our victory evermore.
Bread of heaven, wine of promise, feed us with your holy word.
Nourish us with your strong presence, risen Savior, only Lord.

3. Lift your hearts and raise your voices, celebrate this wondrous love.
Join the chorus with all Christians, and with saints who live above.
Silent lips now sing with gladness, blinded eyes are filled with sight.
Jesus’ love has pierced our darkness, brought us home to peace and light.

Spotlight on Investing Reed Brown

The Pastoral Prayer Matt Johnson

Special Music Zulu Song
ed. Doreen Rao

Siyahamba
Sanctuary Choir
Nathan Erps, percussion

Siyahamba ekukhanyeni kwenkhos’.
We are marching in the light of God.

The Gospel Lesson Matt Johnson
Matthew 25:14-30; NRSV
One: The Good News offered for all.
All: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon Matt Johnson
Love Where You Invest

The Service of Holy Communion

†The Hymn of Response, No. 407 OLIVET
My Faith Looks Up to Thee

1. My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day be wholly thine!

2. May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire;
as thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee
pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

3. While life’s dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide;
bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow’s tears away,
nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

4. When ends life’s transient dream, when death’s cold,
sullen stream shall o’er me roll,
blest Savior, then, in love, fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

The Offertory Prayer Reed Brown

The Returning of Tithes & Giving of Offerings

The Offertory Music NETTLETON
Long Ago You Taught Your People
Sanctuary Choir
Marcia Harris, organ

Long ago you taught your people: “Part of what you reap is mine-
from your cattle, bring the first born; tithe the crops of field and vine.”
Though beneath the law’s restrictions we are not compelled to live,
as we reap our daily harvest, make us eager, Lord, to give.

What a way of life you showed us through the Son you gladly gave:
never snared by earthly treasure, buried in a borrowed grave-
yet to all he freely offered riches of the deepest kind:
let us live with his example firmly fixed in heart and mind.

In the lifestyle of the Spirit giving has a central part;
teach us, Lord, this grace of sharing with a cheerful, loving heart-
not a tiresome obligation, not a barren legal due,
but an overflow of worship: all we have belongs to you!

†The Doxology OLD 100th

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 Pastoral Benediction Matt Johnson

The Ministry of Music Henry A. Malan and Winfield Weeden
arr. Tom Fettke

Take My Life and Let It Be
with
I Surrender All
Marcia Harris, piano

†Please stand, as you are able.

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