

**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](mailto: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.*

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

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**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, August 29, 2021*

*Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

**Sunday:** Sunday School online **9:30 a.m.**  
 Worship in-person and online **11:00 a.m.**

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# The Worship of God

The Lord's Day August 28, 2021

The Welcome & Announcements Lee Anne Bailie

The Ministry of Music The Sacred Harp, 1844  
arr. Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.  
*Meditation on 'Beach Spring'*  
Marcia Harris, organ

The Passing of the Peace Lee Anne Bailie

†The Hymn of Praise, No. 217 HYMN TO JOY  
*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

1. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, his the sceptre, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone.  
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood,  
"Jesus, out of every nation, has redeemed us by his blood."

2. Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! Christ is near us, faith believes, nor questions how;  
though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise, "I am with you evermore?"

3. Alleluia! Bread of heaven, Christ on earth our food and stay;  
Alleluia! here the sinful rest in you from day to day;  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

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

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Mike Hensley

The Epistle Reading Barbara Jean Callaway  
Ephesians 1:15-23; NRSV  
One: The Word of God for the People of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

†The Hymn of Adoration No. 479 TIDINGS  
*O Zion, Haste*

1. O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,  
to tell to all the world that God is light;  
that he who made all nations is not willing  
one soul should perish, lost in shades of night.  
*Refrain: Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace,  
tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.*

2. Behold how many thousands still are lying  
bound in the darksome prisonhouse of sin,  
with none to tell them of the Savior's dying,  
or of the life he died for them to win. *Refrain*

3. Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation  
that God, in whom they live and move, is love:  
tell how he stooped to save his lost creation,  
and died on earth that we might live above. *Refrain*

4. Give of thine own to bear the message glorious;  
give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;  
pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious;  
and all thou spendest Jesus will repay. *Refrain*

The New Testament Reading Dr. Jay Kieve  
Acts 1:1-11; NRSV  
One: The Word of God for the People of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon Jay Kieve  
*Observers or Witnesses?*

The Invitation Mike Hensley  
†The Hymn of Response, No. 243 MORECAMBE  
*Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*

1. Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;  
wean it from earth; through all its pulses move;  
stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,  
and make me love thee as I ought to love.

2. I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,  
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,  
no angel visitant, no opening skies;  
but take the dimness of my soul away.

3. Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh;  
teach me the struggles of the soul to bear.  
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;  
teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

4. Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,  
one holy passion filling all my frame;  
the kindling of the heaven-descending Dove,  
my heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

The Offertory Prayer Wayne Lyles

The Returning of Tithes & Giving of Offerings

The Offertory Music from Psalm 25  
*A Prayer for Guidance*  
Sanctuary Choir

Teach me your ways, make them known to me.  
Teach me to live according to your truth.  
Because you are my Savior, all day long I trust in you.  
O remember your kindness and constant love,  
which you have shown from long ago.  
Forgive the sins and errors of my youth.  
Remember me, O Lord.

†The Doxology OLD 100<sup>a</sup>

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 Jay Kieve

The Ministry of Music William J. Reynolds  
arr. Anna Laura Page

*Share His Love*  
Marcia Harris, piano

†Please stand, as you are able.

**Our Guest Preacher today is Dr. Jay Kieve.** Jay is the Coordinator for the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of South Carolina. He holds a Doctor of Ministry degree from the Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, and Master of Theology and Master of Divinity degrees from Duke University Divinity School. His undergraduate degree is from Mercer University.

Jay served three churches in twenty years of congregational ministry, including First Baptist, Allendale, SC. Jay lives in Anderson with his wife, Melanie, and their two children, Jesse and Emma. He enjoys reading, running, experiencing new restaurants and types of cuisine, and watching soccer.

## IMPORTANT NEWS

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

## MESSAGE FROM THE AUDIO/VISUAL TEAM

If you are interested in being trained to assist our Audio/Visual Team in broadcasting and recording our Sunday Morning Worship Service, please contact Alan Lyles at 864-216-2303.

## CHANGE in ANNOUNCEMENT Attention Sunday School Teachers and Worship Team members:

The Adult SS is **almost** completed. We are still finishing up a little face lifting on some other rooms and then a waxing procedure will be done on the floors to help protect them. We are changing the day to be able to come by and label the items you wish to keep or those you wish to toss. **Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, from 10am to 1pm**, will be the first day in which you can make an appointment to come in and look at your SS items. Then on **Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 10am** will the moving of furniture and items back into the SS Classrooms. Please be sure to have a representative of your SS Class to come help with decisions of items. All left over items will be taken to trash or to a goodwill location in our area if still usable to someone.