

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.

SO GLAD YOU ARE HERE! Text "hello" to (864) 501-0585, for more information and to let us contact you.

Our Vision

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

Choose How You Give

*"All must give as they are able, according to the blessings
given to them by the Lord your God"*

Deuteronomy 16:17

Give easily and securely...

1. Offering envelopes during the service or by mail.
2. Set up *bill pay* straight from your bank.
3. On our Website www.fernwoodchurch.org
4. Directly through our online giving <http://onrealm.org/FernwoodBaptist/give/now>
5. Text from your phone: 73256 then keyword "fernwood" and dollar amount and follow the instructions.

CHILDREN'S EXTENDED SESSION WORKER'S

Oct. 15 – Jennifer Bogan
Oct. 22 – Lauren Barker Oct. 29 – Kathy Hensley

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS SUPPER

Reservation deadline is Monday at Noon.

You can call 864-582-7467, email the office@fernwoodchurch.org or fill out the registration form on the information table in the concourse and place it in the basket. Remember to let the office know if you will be on the permanent list or not. *This is a self-sustaining fund which means, if you are signed up and do not come, you will still need to pay.*

Wednesday Night Bible Study with Pastor Matt
Sabbath As Resistance: Saying NO to the Culture of Now
by Walter Brueggemann

Wednesdays, 6:15pm-7:00pm
through October 11 in the Dining Room



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Masks are not required while in the building. For those who wish to continue wearing a mask while in the sanctuary, there is a designated place on the side nearest the baptistery. There are signs on the pews.

All Members of Fernwood Baptist Church, Ministers

Mrs. Lee Anne BailieDirector of Family and Communication Ministries
Mrs. Marcia HarrisAssistant Music Associate
Rev. Matthew K. JohnsonSenior Pastor
Mrs. Rebecca TurnerMusic Associate
Dr. Stafford Turner Director of Music Ministries
Mrs. Mary Helen Wessinger Financial Administrator
Mr. Don Williams Custodian
Rev. Dr. P. Randall Wright Pastor Emeritus



Sunday, October 8, 2023
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday

9:45am - Sunday School *(in-person and online)*
11:00am - Worship *(in-person and online)*

Wednesday

5:30pm – Wednesday Night Supper
6:15pm – Bible Study for Adults *(in-person and online)*
6:15pm – Children’s Missions, Music & More
7:15pm – Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

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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 8, 2023

The Welcome & Announcements Rev. Matthew K. Johnson

The Passing of the Peace Matt Johnson
One: May the peace of Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.

The Processional Foundery Collection, 1742
arr. Cindy Berry
Jesus, Lord, We Look to Thee
Rebecca Turner, piano

†The Hymn of Praise, No. 281 BEECHER
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest.
Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

3. Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy grace receive;
suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

4. Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

The Psalm Reading Mike Ethridge
Psalm 145:1-8; NRSV
(Pew Bible, page 506)
One: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

†The Hymn of Adoration, No. 376 TRENTHAM
Jesus, I Live to Thee

1. Jesus, I live to thee, the loveliest and best;
my life in thee, thy life in me, in thy blest love I rest.

2. Jesus, I die to thee, whenever death shall come;
to die in thee is life to me, in my eternal home.

3. Whether to live or die, I know not which is best;
to live in thee is bliss to me, to die is endless rest.

4. Living or dying, Lord, I ask but to be thine;
my life in thee, thy life in me, makes heaven forever mine.

The Pastoral Prayer Matt Johnson

The Anthem Thomas O Chisholm
C. Harold Lowden
Living for Jesus
Sanctuary Choir

Living for Jesus a life that is true,
striving to please him in all that I do;
yielding allegiance, glad-hearted and free,
this is the pathway of blessing for me.
O Jesus, Lord and Savior, I give myself to thee;
for thou, in thine atonement, didst give thyself for me;
I own no other Master, my heart shall be thy throne;
my life I give, henceforth to live, O Christ, for thee alone.

The Epistle Reading Matt Johnson
Philippians 1:21-30; NRSV
(Pew Bible, page 953-954)
One: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon Matt Johnson
To Live is Christ

†The Hymn of Response, No. 265 SOMOS DEL SEÑOR
When We Are Living

1. When we are living, it is in Christ Jesus,
and when we're dying, it is in the Lord.
Both in our living and in our dying,
we belong to God, we belong to God.

2. Through all our living, we our fruits must give.
Good works of service are for offering.
When we are giving, or when receiving,
we belong to God, we belong to God.

3. 'Mid times of sorrow and in times of pain,
when sensing beauty or in love's embrace,
whether we suffer, or sing rejoicing,
we belong to God, we belong to God.

4. Across this wide world, we shall always find
those who are crying with no peace of mind,
but when we help them, or when we feed them,
we belong to God, we belong to God.
We belong to God, we belong to God.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving Kathy Hensley

†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 Recessional arr. Melody Bober
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
with
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
Rebecca Turner, piano

†Please stand, as you are able.



New Sermon Series
Letter to Young Churches

SIDEWALK HOPE FOR CHILDREN MINISTRY

Items Needed: Children's coats size 7 to 16 ONLY. (No adult sizes)
Gloves and socks are also needed.

The first distribution will be on October 17th. Please place your items in the coat room which is located in the Adult SS Hall Rm. 218. If you have any questions, please contact Connie Thomas.

CONCERT AT FERNWOOD

Please join us for a special concert TONIGHT at 7:00 pm presented by the Concert Choir of Gardner-Webb University. A love offering will be taken to go toward the cost of the international trip. Put it on your calendar!

SOUP KITCHEN

Sunday, October 15 from 9am until 12:45pm
Sign-up sheet on the information table in the concourse.

SAVE THE DATE

Trunk or Treat / Sunday, October 29 from 4-6pm
Invite your friends & family.

Ways You Can Help our Trunk or Treat A Success!

Candy donations now through 10-29-23
(Place in boxes in concourse.)

Adults to pass out candy at their car trunks.

Contact Lee Anne at communications@fernwoodchurch.org

Important Information

Emails for all future needs and information
for the church should be changed to

Office@fernwoodchurch.org. This is effective immediately.