

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.

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

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

- Give easily and securely...
- Offering envelopes during the service or by mail.
 - Set up *bill pay* straight from your bank.
 - On our website www.fernwoodchurch.org
 - Directly through our online giving <http://onrealm.org/FernwoodBaptist/give/now>
 - Text from your phone: 73256 then keyword “fernwood” and dollar amount and follow the instructions.

CHILDREN’S EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS
Nov. 19 – Penny Ginn Nov. 26 – Wendy Case Dec. 3 – Meghanne McDaniels
Dec. 10 – Bailey Erps Dec. 17 – Laura Hicks

WEDNESDAY NIGHT 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.

CBF GLOBAL MISSIONS EMPHASIS
Each year during this time of the year, CBF has a special emphasis on Global Missions to help fund CBF personnel around the world. CBF’s Global Missions goal for this year is \$4 million. Many of us give throughout the year but most of us respond to this season of emphasis to show our support for Global Missions. Fernwood’s goal for this special emphasis is \$2250. It starts on November 26th and runs through the end of the year. Please participate as the spirit leads you!

Thanks,
Clarence Batts for the Missions Committee

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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
Rev. Dean Newkirk.....Office Administrator
Mrs. Rebecca Turner.....Music 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, November 19, 2023
Twenty-fifth 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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The Lord’s Day

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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 George Sewell
Prelude on Kremser
Marcia Harris, organ

†The Hymn of Praise, No. 372 ST. GEORGE’S WINDSOR
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

1. Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home!
All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;
God our Maker; doth provide for our wants to be supplied;
come to God’s own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

2. We ourselves are God’s own field, fruit unto his praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown unto joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

3. For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his harvest home;
from his field shall purge away all that doth offend that day;
give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast;
but the fruitful ears to store in his keeping evermore.

4. Even so, Lord, quickly come, bring thy final harvest home;
gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;
there, forever purified, in thy presence to abide;
come, with all thine angels come, raise the glorious harvest home.

The Psalm Reading Mike Hensley
Psalm 1; NRSV
(Pew Bible, page 424)
One: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

†The Hymn of Adoration, No. 379 ASH GROVE
Let All Things Now Living

1. Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God the Creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
who guideth us on to the end of our days.
His banners are o’er us, his light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

2. His law he enforces, the stars in their courses,
the sun in its orbit, obediently shine.
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
the deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.
We too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing,
with glad adoration a song let us raise,
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

The Pastoral Prayer Matt Johnson

The Anthem Michael W. Smith
Amy Grant
arr. Jack Schrader

Thy Word
Sanctuary Choir; Rebecca Turner, piano

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.
When I feel afraid, think I’ve lost my way, still you’re there right beside me.
And nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.

Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
for I am thy God, I will still give thee aid.
I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

I will not forget your love for me, and yet
my heart forever is wand’ring.
Jesus, be my guide, and hold me to your side;
and I will love you to the end.

The Epistle Reading Matt Johnson
I Thessalonians 2:1-8; NRSV
(Pew Bible, page 959)
One: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon Matt Johnson
Not That Kind of Christian

†The Hymn of Response, No. 688 PLEADING SAVIOR
Show Us How to Stand for Justice

1. Show us how to stand for justice: how to work for what is right,
how to challenge false assumptions, how to walk within the light.
May we learn to share more freely in a world so full of greed,
showing your immense compassion by the life we choose to lead.

2. Teach our hearts to treasure mercy, whether given or received–
for our need has not diminished since the day we first believed:
let us seek no satisfaction boasting of what we have done,
but rejoice that we are pardoned and accepted in your Son.

3. Gladly we embrace a lifestyle modeled on your living Word,
in humility submitting to the truth that we have heard.
Make us conscious of your presence every day, in all we do:
by your Spirit’s gracious prompting may we learn to walk with you.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving Jim Pruett

†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 Johann Crüger
arr. Hugh Livingston, Jr.
Fantasia on Nun Danket
Marcia Harris, Organ

†Please stand, as you are able.

Wednesday, November 22nd, Dean Newkirk, our Office
Administrator will be on vacation and the Church Office will be
closed. **There will also be no activities or meal on Wednesday
evening.** If you have an emergency, please contact Reed Brown at
(864) 542-6117.

The Church Office will be closed on Thursday, November 23rd, in
observance of Thanksgiving Day. It will reopen on Monday
November 27th. The staff wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday.



Reservation
is **required –
DEADLINE**
is Sunday,
December 3rd, so
our caterer will
prepare enough
food. Please sign
up today on the
sheet located
outside of the
sanctuary on the
information table.

Menu: **Spiral Sliced Ham, Sweet Potato Casserole,
Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans, Rolls and Tea or Lemonade.**
Vegan meals available. Please text Smitty
(864) 978-7671 to reserve a Vegan meal.



**The Best Christmas Pageant Ever by Barbara
Robinson** - Come and hear the Christmas story
with a new slant on the real meaning of
Christmas on December 3rd at 6PM in the
sanctuary. Presented in a Readers’ Theater
format by Fernwood’s Seed Bearers drama
group. Invite your friends!

A Service of Lessons and Carols
During the service on December 17th, the Music Ministry of
Fernwood will present *A Service of Lessons and Carols*. We hope you
will be able to attend!