

**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.

**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...

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](http://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 WORKERS**

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.

**ANGEL TREE AND MORE**

This year your Missions Team has decided to have our traditional Angel Tree and more! We will have angels on the tree that you may choose with suggested items needed for a child. We are also adding Christmas gift bags for the recipients of Mobile Meals and you will see these as green Christmas bulbs on the tree. Through these Christmas bulbs, Mobile Meals will be able to share the joy of Christmas with their recipients. For some, this will be the only gift they receive. All angel gifts need to be wrapped. The green Christmas bulb gifts need to be returned in Christmas gift bags. Please take an angel or a Christmas bulb to make your contribution and return to the church, under the tree in the concourse by December 15th, so they can be distributed to the families and Mobile Meals recipients. (Note: Please no travel size items in the Mobile Meals gift bag gifts).

Thank you for being the hands and feet for God,  
*Missions Team*

**WREATH DECORATING WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS - Sat., Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10:00AM-12Noon**

Decorate a fresh fir wreath with bow and other picks.

\$30 per wreath. FREE babysitting for participants. See Lee Anne Bailie to register.

**FAMILY CAROLING AND CHILI DINNER - Sun., Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, 4PM-7PM**

Meet at the church in the dining hall. We will go caroling and then return to share chili.

Open to all church family. Please sign up on the information.

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*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*; Words 1744 Charles Wesley; Music 1770 John Darwall

*Christians, Let Us Go and Serve Him*; Words (vs. 1) 2000 Jana Wolfe, © 2002

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*Columbian Harmony*

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*I Love to Tell the Story*; Words (stanzas) 1866 Katherine Hankey, (refrain) 1869

William G. Fischer; Music 1869 William G. Fischer

*Old 100<sup>th</sup>* 1551 Genevan Psalter

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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 Bailie .....Director of Family and Communication Ministries  
Mrs. Marcia Harris .....Assistant Music Associate  
Rev. Matthew K. Johnson .....Senior 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 26, 2023*  
*Reign of Christ Sunday*

**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

The Lord's Day November 26, 2023

The Welcome & Announcements Lee Anne Bailie

The Passing of the Peace Lee Anne Bailie  
One: May the peace of Christ be with you.  
**All: And also with you.**

The Processional George J. Elvey  
arr. Donna Williams  
*Crown Him with Many Crowns*  
Marcia Harris, organ

†The Hymn of Praise, No. 215 DARWALL  
*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

1. Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!  
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore:  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

2. Jesus, the Savior, reigns, the God of truth and love;  
when He had purged our stains, he took his seat above;  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

3. His kingdom cannot fail, he rules both earth and heaven;  
the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given:  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

4. Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord and Judge shall come  
and take his servants up to their eternal home:  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

The Gospel Reading Rev. Dr. Warren A. Kay  
John 12:20-26  
(Pew Bible, page 875)  
One: The Good News offered for all.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

†The Hymn of Adoration HOLY MANNA  
*Christians, Let Us Go and Serve Him*

1. Christians, let us go and serve him, serve the One who gives us life.  
Let us serve in love and power, in the name of Jesus Christ.  
Serve in love and serve in wisdom, reaching all we know and see.  
Christians, let us go and serve him, now and through eternity.

2. If a grain falls down to perish, it remains a single grain;  
if it dies, it goes on living and bears fruit for all to gain.  
If you love me, you must follow, and I will be there for you;  
those who serve me will be honored by the Father, always true.

The Pastoral Prayer Warren Kay

The Special Music words by Johanna Anderson  
music by Dan Forrest

*Song of the Wanderer*  
Suzanne Wynn-Brown, soprano  
Marcia Harris, piano

The barren land around me lies, my flame is burning low;  
cold and pale the winter skies, and I am far from home.  
With my light that burns so dim, am I visible to him?  
Does he hear the fragile song of creatures here below?

He wakes the lark and bids her fly to greet the coming spring,  
wakes our hearts and bids us rise, then gives our spirits wing.  
He speaks, and winter melts away, hears us when we come to pray,  
turns our nighttime into day—our Light, our Life, our King.

Glorious joy of summer sun, the gentle healing rain,  
Banishing our tears and sighs, with beauty for our pain.  
Earth and sky, lay glory by—Christ the Lord is drawing nigh.  
All creation, bow to him from whom all blessings flow!

Blows the wind, and soon will come the autumn of the year,  
with its golden light of love still shining ever clear.  
From the rising of the sun to the place where day is done,  
peace on earth has now begun to cast away our fear.

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.

The Epistle Reading Warren Kay  
Philippians 4:4-8  
(Pew Bible, page 955)  
One: The Word of God for the people of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon Warren Kay  
*What Would I Say?*

†The Hymn of Response, No. 581 HANKEY  
*I Love to Tell the Story*

1. I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love:  
I love to tell the story because I know 'tis true;  
it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.  
*Refrain: I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.*

2. I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat  
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet:  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
the message of salvation from God's own holy Word. *Refrain*

3. I love to tell the story; for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest:  
and when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. *Refrain*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving Melanie Vick

†The Doxology OLD 100<sup>th</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 Warren Kay

The Recessional John Hatton  
arr. Harold DeCou  
*Jesus Shall Reign*  
Marcia Harris, Organ

†Please stand, as you are able.



**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 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6PM in the sanctuary. Presented in a Readers' Theater format by Fernwood's Seed Bearers drama group. Invite your friends!



Reservation is **required** – **DEADLINE** is Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 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.

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

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