

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

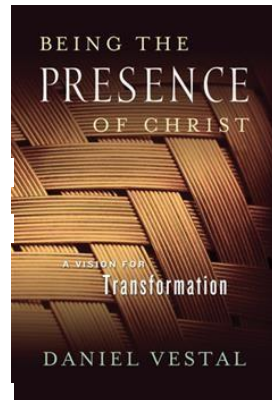
*is to be Christ to each other and our community –
doing justice, loving mercy and walking humbly with our God.*

Choose How You Give

Give easily and securely...

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.

JOIN US FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY - Our Bible study begins at 6:15PM. This Wednesday, January 31st, we will continue looking at the book, *Being the Presence of Christ: A Vision of Transformation*, by Daniel Vestal.



1/31 – *Prayer: Practicing the Presence of Christ*

2/7 – *Contemplative Prayer: Resting in the Presence of Christ*

2/14 – *Ash Wednesday Service (in the Sanctuary)*

2/21 – *Personal Transformation: Being Changed by the Presence of Christ*

2/28 – *Christian Community: Experiencing the Presence of Christ with Others*

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Reservation deadline is Monday at Noon.

You can call (864) 582-7467, email: office@fernwoodchurch.org or fill out the registration form on the information table in the concourse and place it in the basket.

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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, January 28, 2024
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

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 January 28, 2024

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 Giuseppe Tartini
arr. George Blake
Air
Marcia Harris, organ

†The Hymn of Praise, No. 337 LAUDA ANIMA
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

2. Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress;
praise him, still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.

3. Fatherlike, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
motherlike, he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet God's mercy flows.

4. Angels in the height, adore him; you behold him face to face;
saints triumphant, bow before him, gathered in from every race.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

The Psalm Reading Stafford Turner
Psalm 111 NRSV
(Pew Bible, page 490)
One: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

†The Hymn of Adoration, No. 323 HOW GREAT THOU ART
How Great Thou Art
(vs. 1-3)

1. O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.
*Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee;
How great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee;
How great thou art, how great thou art!*

2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze: *Refrain*

3. And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin. *Refrain*

The Pastoral Prayer Rev. Eliza Smith DeBevoise

The Anthem Charles Wesley
Stan Pethel

Rejoice, the Lord Is King
Sanctuary Choir; Marcia Harris, piano

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

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, I say, rejoice!

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, I say, rejoice!

The Gospel Reading Eliza Smith DeBevoise
Mark 1:21-28 NRSV
(Pew Bible, pages 812-813)
One: The Good News offered for all.
All: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon Eliza Smith DeBevoise
Set Me Free

†The Hymn of Response, No. 475 STOCKTON
Only Trust Him

1. Come, every soul by sin oppressed, there's mercy with the Lord,
and he will surely give you rest by trusting in his word.
*Refrain: Only trust him, only trust him, only trust him now;
he will save you, he will save you, he will save you now.*

2. For Jesus shed his precious blood rich blessings to bestow;
plunge now into the crimson flood that washes white as snow. *Refrain*

3. Yes, Jesus is the truth, the way, that leads you into rest;
believe in him without delay, and you are fully blest. *Refrain*

4. Come, then, and join this holy band, and on to glory go,
to dwell in that celestial land where joys immortal flow. *Refrain*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving Sara Gardner

†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 Eliza Smith DeBevoise

The Recessional Anne A. Davis
A Festive March
Marcia Harris, organ

†Please stand, as you are able.

Rev. Eliza Smith DeBevoise is the University Chaplain and Director of Community Engagement at Converse. Before coming to Converse, Eliza served as a hospital chaplain resident for PRISMA Health in Greenville, SC. In addition to chaplaincy work in a clinical setting, Eliza also has work experience in the areas of campus ministry, congregational ministry, non-profit work and assisted living.

Eliza is a 2016 graduate of Furman University and a 2020 graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary, where she earned her Masters of Divinity and Masters of Arts in Practical Theology with a focus in Pastoral Care. Her areas of expertise include interfaith work, religious trauma theory, grief/ bereavement and vocational discernment work with students.

In 2020, Eliza won the Florie S. Johnson Award at Columbia Theological Seminary, showcasing her ability to offer spiritual care to those with a wide array of needs. Eliza is an ordained Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (USA).

In her free time, Eliza enjoys spending time at the beach with her friends and family, listening to podcasts and watching true crime documentaries. Her favorite food is ice cream and her favorite color is purple - Go Valkyries!

CHILDREN'S EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

Jan. 28 – Penny Ginn **Feb. 4** – Wendy Case **Feb. 11** – Amy Said
Feb. 18 – Bailey Erps **Feb. 25** – Lauren Barker **Mar. 3** – Peggy Beard

Doughnuts & Cocoa in Sunday School - Sun, Feb. 11th, 9:55AM
Youth Sunday School room
Brief Bible Study and Head's Up game

Play Try-outs - There will be try-outs for a one-act play to be performed in late spring/early summer entitled, "The Light is Too Dark" by Earl Reimer next Sunday, Feb 4 at 2:00PM in the chapel. We will need 3 women, 2 men, 2 boys (child & teen), 1 girl (older child) and 2 narrators as well as a couple of stage hands. If interested in being a part of this drama ministry, please make plans to be present for try-outs next Sunday. Contact Jean Pruettt for details.

Service Opportunity for Tweens - Sun, Feb. 18th, 10AM-1PM
Tweens will serve at the Soup Kitchen.

Winter Jam '24 - Fri, Feb. 23rd, Time: TBD
Tweens will go to Christian Concert Festival at Bon Secours Arena.
\$15 for admission. More details coming soon.

Plan to join us for our Lenten Sermon Series *Covenant: Our Promise - Keeping God*, starting on **Sun, Feb. 18th**. More details coming soon.

