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WELCOME!

We are honored to worship God with you today! If you would like to become a member of Fernwood Baptist Church or if you need pastoral care, we invite you to speak with the pastor following the Worship service, email office@fernwoodchurch.org or call the office at 864-582-7467.

IF YOU'RE A GUEST

We invite you to visit our Welcome Center for a free gift. You may also **scan the QR code** with your mobile device or text "hello" to 864-501-0585 for more information.



WEDNESDAYS

Join us for supper and Bible study each week. Supper starts at **5:30 pm** followed by prayer time and Bible study at **6:15 pm**. **Fill out the registration form** on the information table and place it in the basket to **reserve your Wednesday night meals**. You can also call 864-582-7467 or email office@fernwoodchurch.org **by noon on Mondays**. \$9.00 for 12 yr. old and older, \$5.00 for 4 yr. – 11 yr. old, 3 & under FREE. **Please remember, if you sign up for a meal and don't notify the office that you will be out, you're responsible for payment.**

Our Vision is to be Christ to each other and our community - doing justice, loving mercy and walking humbly with our God.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday
9:00am – Fernwood Ringers
9:45am – Sunday School *(in-person and online)*
10:55am – Worship *(in-person and online)*

Wednesday
5:30pm – Wednesday Night Supper
6:15pm – Prayer & Bible Study for Adults
7:00pm – 8pm – Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

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 Mr. Bennie Harris.....Custodian
 Mrs. Rebecca Turner.....Music Associate
 Dr. Stafford Turner.....Director of Music Ministries
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 Rev. Dr. P. Randall Wright..... Pastor Emeritus

CHILDREN'S EXTENDED SESSION

March 1 – Peggy Beard

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Peach Blossom Diner will be providing our suppers on Wednesday night. The price has increased \$2 for both adults and children.

Children 3 and under will still be free. A church family is donating the \$2 difference until the end of March.

Beginning April 1, the meals will be \$11 for adults and children 12 and older. Children ages 4-11 will be charged \$7 per meal.

Children 3 and under are free.

It is imperative that we have an accurate supper count **by noon each Monday**. Please review the information at the left under

Wednesdays.

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet on **Tuesday, February 24th**. We will discuss "Christy" by Catherine Marshall. This year is the 50th anniversary of this national bestseller.

2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES

The boxes of 2026 Offering Envelopes are located on a table under the TV in the concourse. You can take a box if you'd like; please add your name to the list.



***The Lord's Day | Sunday, February 22, 2026
 First Sunday in Lent***

The Welcome & Announcements Lee Anne Bailie
 The Passing of the Peace Lee Anne Bailie
 May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

The Preparation for Worship arr. Tedd Smith and Don Hustad

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
 Marcia Harris, organ; Rebecca Turner, piano

The Call to Worship Stafford Turner
 Today, we follow Jesus into a wilderness full of isolation, fatigue, hunger, thirst, and temptation.
We follow, trusting in God's mercy.
 We witness Jesus resist the siren calls of sensationalism, notoriety, and misuse of power for selfish gain.
We recognize God's mercy at work in the face of temptation.
 We notice the angels who tend Jesus, messengers of care in a harsh and lonely place.
We pay attention to God's merciful presence that did not abandon Jesus and does not abandon us now.
 We come to the wilderness together, clinging to the truth that we are not alone—God is with us.
We gather to worship God, whose unfailing mercy journeys with us into the wildernesses of our lives.
Thanks be to God!

†The Hymn of Praise, No. 57

Be Still, My Soul

FINLANDIA

1. Be still, my soul! the Lord is on your side. Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
leave to your God to order and provide; in every change God faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul! your best, your heavenly friend thru' thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

2. Be still, my soul! your God will undertake to guide the future as in ages past.
Your hope, your confidence, let nothing shake; all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul! the waves and winds still know the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt below.

3. Be still, my soul! the hour is hastening on when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still my soul! when change and tears are past, all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

The First Reading

Psalm 32 NRSV
(Pew Bible, page 440)

John Coleman

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

The Anthem

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Sanctuary Choir; Rebecca Turner, piano

Amy Lynne Engelsdorfer

When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of Glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

The Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. Kelli Kirksey

The Lenten Hymn

Forty Days and Forty Nights

HENDON

1. Forty days and forty nights you were fasting in the wild;
Forty days and forty nights tempted, and yet undefiled, tempted, and yet undefiled.

2. Shall not we your sorrow share, and from earthly joys abstain,
fasting with unceasing prayer, glad with you to suffer pain, glad with you to suffer pain?

3. So shall we have peace divine; holier gladness ours be due;
round us, too, shall angels shine, such as ministered to you, such as ministered to you.

4. Keep, oh, keep us, Savior dear, ever constant at your side;
that we may with you appear in your resurrection-tide, in your resurrection-tide.

The Second Reading

Matthew 4:1-11 NRSV
(Pew Bible, page 785)

Kelli Kirksey

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Stones, Power, and Shortcuts

Kelli Kirksey

†The Hymn of Response, No. 573

It Is Well with My Soul
(verses 1, 2, 4)

VILLE DU HARVE

1. When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."
Refrain: It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

2. Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control, that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has shed His own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, even so, it is well with my soul. *Refrain*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Jean Pruett

†The Doxology

Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God, above ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Pastoral Benediction

Kelli Kirksey

The Musical Reflection

attr. W. A. Mozart
arr. Victor Labenske

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken
Rebecca Turner, piano

†Please stand, as you are able.

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