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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](mailto: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](mailto: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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- Rev. Dr. P. Randall Wright.....Pastor Emeritus

**NURSERY SCHEDULE**

**March 22 – Peggy Beard**

**March 29 – Laura Hicks**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER**

**Peach Blossom Diner** is providing our suppers on Wednesday night. The price has increased \$2 for both adults and children. Children 3 and under will still be free. It is imperative that we have an accurate supper count **before noon each Monday**.

**Church members have again offered to cover the \$2 difference per person through the end of April.**

**OUT AND ABOUT FERNWOOD**

March Potluck and Game Night on Saturday, **March 21 at 5pm** in the EFLC Dining Hall. Please bring heavy hors d'oeuvres to share with your friends! **Please RSVP to Paul Gentry at [rainbeausc1972@gmail.com](mailto:rainbeausc1972@gmail.com).**

**BOOK CLUB**

The next selection for our Book Club is "Love Comes Softly" by Janette Oke. We will meet on **Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00** in the bride's room. The book is about a young widow who enters a marriage of convenience with a widower and his daughter on the 19<sup>th</sup> century American frontier, finding love and healing through shared hardship and faith.



***The Lord's Day | Sunday, March 15, 2026  
Fourth Sunday in Lent***

The Welcome & Announcements

Lee Anne Bailie

The Passing of the Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lee Anne Bailie

The Preparation for Worship

William B. Bradbury  
arr. Victor Labenske

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*  
Rebecca Turner, piano

The Call to Worship

Stafford Turner

Beloved, the journey of grace takes us to still waters, the valley of the shadow of death, even to tables surrounded by our enemies.

**We gather to worship God, our Shepherd, who guides us on the journey.**

The journey of grace points us toward the Light so that we may bear the fruit of the Light in all that we do.

**We gather to be formed by grace so that our lives may bear the fruit of all that is good and right and true.**

Come, let us worship God who provides, inspires, and empowers us on the journey of grace.

**Come, let us worship God as we journey in grace together! Amen.**

†The Hymn of Praise and Offering, No. 68

*He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought*

HE LEADETH ME

1. He leadeth me! O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught!  
Whate'er I do, where'er I be still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me!

*Refrain: He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me:  
his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.*

2. Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, nor ever murmur nor repine,  
content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis thy hand that leadeth me! *Refrain*

3. And when my task on earth is done, when, by Thy grace, the victory's won,  
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me! *Refrain*

The First Reading

Psalm 23 NRSV  
(Pew Bible, page 435)

Barbara Jean Callaway

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

The Special Music

*O Lord on High*  
Jay Owens, baritone; Rebecca Turner, piano

Virginia P. Marwick  
W. A. Mozart

O Lord on high, we pray thee guide us, and keep our souls in thine own care;  
when dark our way, with light provide us, teach us thy righteousness to share.  
Lead thou us on through dangers low'ring, be thou our shield in fears o'erpow'ring;  
Oh, let thy mercies e'er be our guard, over our life keep watch and ward.

The Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. Kelli Kirksey

The Anthem

*Jesus Is Calling*  
Sanctuary Choir; Rebecca Turner, piano

Will L. Thompson  
arr. Aaron David Miller

Softly, tenderly, Jesus is calling to you.  
See, on the portals He's waiting and watching, watching for you and me.  
Come home, come home, you who are weary.  
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling sinners to come home.

Time is now fleeting, moments are passing, passing from you and me;  
shadows are gathering, night-time is coming, coming for you and me.

Oh, for the wonderful love He has promised, promised for you and me.  
Though we have sinned, He has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and me.

The Second Reading

Ephesians 5:8-14 NRSV  
(Pew Bible, page 951)

Kelli Kirksey

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

The Sermon

*Can We be Honest?*

Kelli Kirksey

†The Hymn of Response, No. 96

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*  
(vs. 1, 2)

HOUSTON

1. I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world; the star of my life is Jesus.  
*Refrain: In Him there is no darkness at all; the night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God; shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

2. I want to see the brightness of God; I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear Son of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. *Refrain*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Nathan Erps

†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 Reflection of Worship

Henry T. Smart  
arr. Melody Bober

*Lead On, O King Eternal*  
Rebecca Turner, piano

†Please stand, as you are able.

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