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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**. There are several ways to sign up for the meals - call 864-582-7467 or email [office@fernwoodchurch.org](mailto:office@fernwoodchurch.org) by noon on Mondays. There is also a yellow registration form on the information table, which can be left there or placed in the offering plate. \$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 will be 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**

- April 12 - Karen Parker
- April 19 - Meghanne McDaniels
- April 26 - Jennifer Bogan

**"SLICE OF FERNWOOD"**

The Connections Ministry Team will host a "Slice of Fernwood" event on **April 26<sup>th</sup>**.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER**

Peach Blossom Diner is providing our suppers on Wednesday nights. Prices are noted to the left.

Church members have again offered to cover the \$2 difference per person through May 20<sup>th</sup> (last for the season). It is imperative that we have an accurate supper count before noon each Monday.

**BOOK CLUB**

The book club's next selection is "A Guardian and a Thief" by Megha Majumdar. It is set in a near-future Kolkata India in which two families seeking to protect their children must battle each other. We will meet on **Tuesday, April 14th at 10:00.**



***The Lord's Day | Sunday, April 5, 2026  
Easter Sunday***

The Welcome & Announcements	Lee Anne Bailie
The Passing of the Peace May the peace of Christ be with you. <b>And also with you.</b>	Lee Anne Bailie
The Preparation for Worship	arr. Michael Helman
	<i>Easter Rejoicing</i> Fernwood Ringers Terry Rhinebold, director
The Service of Holy Baptism	Rev. Dr. Kelli Kirksey
	Kaleena Dotson Faith Story: Matthew Hudson
	Matthew Hudson Faith Story: Kaleena Dotson
	Quinn Willett Faith Story: Cedric Starr
	Penelope McDaniels Faith Story: Banks McDaniels

†The Hymn of Praise and Offering, No. 194

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

1. Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Earth and heaven join to say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

2. Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ hath opened Paradise, Alleluia!

3. Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Dying once he all doth save, Alleluia! Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!  
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

The First Reading

Colossians 3:1-4, 12-17 NRSV  
(Pew Bible, page 957)

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

The Hymn of Adoration, No. 200

*In the Garden*

1. I come to the garden alone, while the dew is still on the roses;  
and the voice I hear falling on my ear, the Son of God discloses.  
*Refrain: And he walks with me, and he talks with me, and he tells me I am his own,  
and the joy we share as we tarry there, none other has ever known.*

2. He speaks, and the sound of his voice is so sweet the birds hush their singing;  
and the melody that he gave to me within my heart is ringing. *Refrain*

3. I'd stay in the garden with him, though the night around me be falling;  
but he bids me go; through the voice of woe, his voice to me is calling. *Refrain*

The Anthem

*The Chief Cornerstone*  
Sanctuary Choir; Rebecca Turner, piano

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.  
The guards outside the tomb could not contain his might.  
Christ broke the seal of death and rose into the light.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.  
The devil and his lies, the world, the flesh and sin,  
cannot defeat Christ now nor hedge his vict'ry in.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.  
As he was raised from stone we also will be raised  
to join the heav'nly hosts before the throne of grace.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.  
So sing, angelic choirs, O hosts of heaven sing!

EASTER HYMN

Stafford Turner

GARDEN

Garcia Grindal  
Bradley Ellingboe

Break forth, O earth, in song and praise your Lord and King!

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone!

The Pastoral Prayer

Kelli Kirksey

The Second Reading

John 20:1-18 NRSV  
(Pew Bible, page 882)

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

The Sermon

*Will You Tell the Story?*

Kelli Kirksey

†The Hymn of Response, No. 196

*Alleluia*

ALLELUIA NO. 1

*Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.*

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation. *Refrain*

2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth; Jesus has died and has risen. *Refrain*

3. We have been crucified with Christ. Now we shall live forever. *Refrain*

4. Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior. *Refrain*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Mike Etheridge

†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

*Because He Lives*  
Marcia Harris, organ; Rebecca Turner, piano

William J. Gaither  
arr. John F. Wilson

†Please stand, as you are able.

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