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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**. There are several ways to sign up for the meals - call 864-582-7467 or email 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

- May 17 - Cedric Starr
- May 24 - Karen Parker

BOOK CLUB

The next book club selection is "Still Me" by Jojo Moyes. It is the last book in the *Me Before You* trilogy. The novel is a story of finding the courage to follow your heart and finding your true self in a new adventure. We will meet on **Tuesday, May 12th at 10:00.**

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Peach Blossom Diner is providing our suppers on Wednesday nights. Church members have again offered to cover the \$2 difference per person through **May 20th (last for the season)**. It is imperative that we have an accurate supper count before noon each Monday.



***The Lord's Day | Sunday, May 10, 2026
Sixth Sunday of Easter***

- 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 Conrad Kocher
arr. Victor Labenske
For the Beauty of the Earth
Rebecca Turner, piano
- The Call to Worship Stafford Turner
On this day of celebrating mothers, we remember and lift up our mothers to the Lord. Mothers of young children, first-time mothers, working mothers, and single mothers, **We see you and honor you today.** Grieving mothers who have lost a child too soon, and those who desire to be mothers, **We see you and honor you today.** All those who are missing their mothers, and mothers who are missing their children, **We see you and honor you today.** Mothers who did not give birth to us biologically, but have raised us and brought life to us in countless other ways, **We see you and honor you today.** In times of full joy and abundance, in times of empty nests and empty cradles, in all these God tends his flock like a shepherd and carries the lambs close to his heart. **As a mother comforts her child, so will God comfort us.**

†The Hymn of Praise and Offering LYONS
Ye Servants of God

1. Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful name; the name all-victorious of Jesus extol; his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.
2. God rules in the height, almighty to save; though hid from our sight, his presence we have; the great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.
3. "Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!" let all cry aloud, and honor the Son; the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.
4. Then let us adore and give him his right: all glory and power, all wisdom and might, all honor and blessing with angels above and thanks never ceasing for infinite love.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Wendy Case

†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 First Reading

Psalm 1 NRSV
(Pew Bible, page 424)

Jason Patterson

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

The Hymn of Adoration, No. 341

For the Beauty of the Earth
(vs. 1-4)

DIX

1. For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
Refrain: Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

2. For the wonder of each hour, of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light: *Refrain*

3. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: *Refrain*

4. For the church that evermore lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love: *Refrain*

The Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. Kelli Kirksey

The Anthem

O Great God
Sanctuary Choir; Rebecca Turner, piano

O great God of highest heaven, occupy my lowly heart.
Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel power.
Let no vice or sin remain that resists your holy war.
You have loved and purchased me, make me yours forevermore.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear your voice,
did not know your love within had no taste for heaven's joys.
Then your Spirit gave me life, opened up your Word to me
through the gospel of your Son, gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on your grace.
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face.
You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed.
O great God of highest heaven, glorify your name through me.

The Second Reading

Jeremiah 17:7-8 NRSV
(Pew Bible, page 628)

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

The Sermon

Planting Trees

Kelli Kirksey

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†The Hymn of Response

Lord, We Bring to You Our Children

GILLARD

1. Lord, we bring to you our children on this festive holy day;
grant to them your benediction; grant to us your help, we pray.

2. Now may we in honest worship, in this glad and sacred hour,
give ourselves in true commitment to your service and your power.

3. To the task of Christian nurture: teaching, training, leading still
in the way of Christ-like living till life's purpose we fulfill.

4. Bless the children! Bless the parents! May they grow in Christ our Lord:
joined in faith and loving service, in his Spirit and his Word.

The Pastoral Benediction

Kelli Kirksey

The Reflection of Worship

Johann Michael Haydn
arr. Victor Labenske

O Worship the King
(Ye Servants of God)
Rebecca Turner, piano

†Please stand, as you are able.

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