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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.



BACK TO SCHOOL COLLECTION

Stock “Care Closets” Through August 30
Look for donation bins in the concourse.

New Clothing	Hygiene
Socks, underwear	Deodorant
Belts	Toothpaste, toothbrushes
Sweatpants	Menstrual Products
Hoodies, light jackets	Hair care – brushes, etc.
Plain T-Shirts	Culturally inclusive hair needs

DEACON ORDINATION AUGUST 9TH

Three new deacons will be installed or ordained during Sunday’s service.
Wendy Case
Kathy Hensley
Kari Mason - ordained

A WAY HOME August 9 – August 23

Families from the “A Way Home” Project will be staying at Fernwood during this time.

SOUP KITCHEN August 16

Volunteer day at The Soup Kitchen. There is a sign-up sheet in the concourse.

***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 – 9:45am – Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

9:45am – Sunday School *(in-person and online)*

10:55am – Worship *(in-person and online)*

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***The Lord’s Day | Sunday, August 2, 2026
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost***

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	John Wyeth arr. Tedd Smith and Don Hustad
	<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i> Marcia Harris, organ; Rebecca Turner, piano
The Call to Worship Even in the middle of summer, our hearts can be burdened. Stress and worry seem to be all around us. We have come to a special place where we can find relief and healing. Thanks be to God for providing us with such blessings. Come, prepare your hearts to receive God’s gracious gift of love. We open our hearts and spirits in thanksgiving to God. AMEN.	Stafford Turner

†The Hymn of Praise and Offering, No. 350		BLESSED NAME	The Anthem	BLESSED QUIETNESS
Blessed Be the Name			Blessed Quietness Sanctuary Choir; Rebecca Turner, piano	
1. O for a thousand tongues to sing, blessed be the name of the Lord! The glories of my God and King, blessed be the name of the Lord! <i>Refrain: Blessed be the name, blessed be the name, blessed be the name of the Lord!</i> <i>Blessed be the name, blessed be the name, blessed be the name of the Lord!</i>			Joys are flowing like a river since the Comforter has come; He abides with us forever, makes the trusting heart His home. Blessed quietness, holy quietness, what assurance in my soul! On the stormy sea Jesus speaks to me and the billows cease to roll! Like the rain that falls from heaven, like the sunlight from the sky, so the Holy Spirit given, falls upon us from on high.	
2. Jesus, the name that calms my fears, blessed be the name of the Lord! “Tis music in the sinner’s ears, blessed be the name of the Lord! <i>Refrain</i>				
3. He breaks the power of canceled sin, blessed be the name of the Lord! His blood can make the foulest clean, blessed be the name of the Lord! <i>Refrain</i>			The Second Reading Matthew 14:13-21 NRSV (Pew Bible, page 796) The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.	Kelli Kirksey
The Back to School Blessing		Rev. Dr. Kelli Kirksey	The Sermon Blessings	Kelli Kirksey
The Prayer of Thanksgiving		Jon Barker	The Service of Holy Communion	Kelli Kirksey
†The Doxology		Old 100th	†The Hymn of Response, No. 619 Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine	ASSURANCE
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.			1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of His Spirit, washed in His blood. <i>Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;</i> <i>this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.</i>	
The First Reading Psalm 17:1-7, 15 NRSV (Pew Bible, page 431)		Karen Parker	2. Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. <i>Refrain</i>	
The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.			3. Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love. <i>Refrain</i>	
The Hymn of Adoration Blessed Redeemer		REDEEMER	The Pastoral Benediction	Kelli Kirksey
1. Up Calv'ry's mountain one dreadful morn walked Christ, my Savior, weary and worn; facing for sinners death on the cross, that He might save them from endless loss. <i>Refrain: Blessed Redeemer! Precious Redeemer! Seems now I see Him on Calvary's tree;</i> <i>wounded and bleeding, for sinners pleading— blind and unheeding— dying for me!</i>			The Reflection of Worship Showers of Blessing Marcia Harris, organ; Rebecca Turner, piano	arr. Vicki Collinsworth
2. "Father, forgive them!" thus did He pray, e'en while His lifeblood flowed fast away; praying for sinners while in such woe– no one but Jesus ever loved so. <i>Refrain</i>			†Please stand, as you are able.	
3. O how I love Him, Savior and Friend, how can my praises ever find end? Thro' years unnumbered on heaven's shore, my tongue shall praise Him forevermore. <i>Refrain</i>			Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing © 1971 Hope Publishing Co. Blessed Be the Name; Words 1739 Charles Wesley (half stanzas), 1887 Ralph E. Hudson (refrain); Music 1887 Ralph E. Hudson Old 100 th 1551 Genevan Psalter Blessed Redeemer; Words 1920 Avis B. Christiansen; Music 1920 Harry Dixon Loes Blessed Quietness; Words 1897 Manie P. Ferguson; Music 1897 W. S. Marshall, arr. 1898 James H. Fillmore Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine; Words 1873 Fanny J. Crosby; Music 1873 Phoebe Palmer Knapp Showers of Blessing © 1996 Broadman Press Annual License w/Podcasting, #A-729762—Copyright 2019 One License, LLC. All rights reserved.	
The Pastoral Prayer		Kelli Kirksey		