



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 22, 2025 | 8:30AM

✠ please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Old Hundred"

ARR. KEVIN UPPERCUE

WELCOME & MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 90

PSALTER 809

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth or ever you had formed the earth and the world

From everlasting to everlasting you are God,

For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past**Or like a watch in the night.**

You sweep them away; they are like a dream,

Like grass that is renewed in the morning;

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,

So that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us and prosper for us the work of our hands.

O prosper the work of our hands!

✠ HYMN

Great is Thy Faithfulness

UMH 140

BAPTISM- LEE DAVIDSON MARBURY PITTMAN, V

✠ GLORIA PATRI

OFFERTORY

He Never Failed Me Yet

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✠ DOXOLOGY

HYMN

The Gift of Love

UMH 408

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today.

Amen.

✠ SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 2:1-10; 1 John 4:7-8

SERMON

The Power of "Both / And"

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Holy God, we thank you that you receive us not according to our failing goodness, but according to your overflowing grace. You receive us as we are. You show us what we can be. You have come to us in Jesus Christ to share our common lot and reconcile us to yourself. Sweep over us with your Spirit, change us by your love, that we may sing with joy before you, and live to your glory in the world. Amen.

Hear the good news: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God. Amen.

✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

UMH 13

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~ THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

✠ HYMN

Lord of the Dance

UMH 261

RECEIVING NEW MEMBER-LEE PEARSON

✠ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "St. Thomas"

ARR. JASON PAYNE

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

COMMUNION SERVERS:

Mary & Walter Corbitt,
Emily Garner, Laura Parker

STEPHEN MINISTER:

Robyn Simons

PREACHER:

Rev. Laura Parker

LITURGIST:

Emily Garner

USHER:

Mark Woodrow

MUSIC

CHANCEL CHOIR
Director, Tom Hood
Accompanist,
John Richardson

MEDIA:

Toby Monckton

The flowers on that altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of what would be our parents, Gwen and James Robertson's 60th wedding anniversary (June 25th), and in honor of Katie and Robby Robertson's 16th anniversary (June 20th).

The flowers on the pedestal are given to the glory of God and in honor of the retirement of Rev. Laura Parker by the Friends in Faith and New Beginnings Sunday School classes.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

8:30am Traditional Worship
9:45am Sunday School for all ages
11:00am Combined Worship in the Gathering
12:00pm Rev. Laura Parker's retirement reception

MONDAY, JUNE 23

3:00pm Grief Support Group
6:30pm Survivors of Suicide Support Group

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

12:30pm Tough Dogs Support Group

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

9-11:00am TJ's Food Ministry
1:30pm Weekly Bible Study
6:00pm Adult Choir
6:00pm PJ Party Movie Night

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

9-11:00am TJ's Food Ministry

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

11:00am-1:00pm Community Café

SUNDAY, JUNE 29

8:30am Traditional Worship
9:45am Sunday School for all ages
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11:00am The Gathering Worship

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

You are invited to the table...

Four Seasons Supper Clubs are a way to cultivate community in the way Jesus demonstrated, having a meal with friends around a table. Over the course of a year—*four seasons*—you can learn a lot about each other and begin to establish meaningful connections. More information and registration available through the church website (Quick Links) or in brochures located around campus.

Blue Lake-Camp X Registration-Deadline June 22nd

Current 3rd-5th graders are invited to join our Children's Ministry for Camp X @ Blue Lake, July 7-11. Children will enjoy camp activities like swimming in the lake and fellowship by the campfire as well as games, crafts, and small group discipleship. Sign up now by visiting the linktree or contact Jenna Hood for more information.

Back-to-School Bash - July 26, 9-11AM

Mark your calendars and spread the word! FUMC is hosting a FREE community Back-to-School Bash! Students will enjoy water slides, music, cook-out, haircuts, school supplies, and more. All Fairhope students are welcome—students must be present with a guardian.

For details, contact sheri.swartz@fairhopeal.gov.

Celebrating the Retirement of Rev. Laura Parker

This is Laura Parker's last Sunday as our associate pastor. Please join us for a reception immediately following the 11:00 service in the CLC Fellowship Hall.

If you would like to express your appreciation with a card or love offering, a basket will be available at the entrance of the Fellowship Hall. We will also have cards and envelopes on hand for your convenience.

For love offerings, checks may be made payable directly to Laura Parker. Online gifts can be given through the "Give" option on our church website.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MEDICAL PERSONNEL | FIRST RESPONDERS | MILITARY PERSONNEL

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Rev. Laura Parker, Associate Pastor

Rev. Sheila Bates, Southwest District Superintendent

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



THE GATHERING

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST*

JUNE 22, 2025 11:00AM AT FAIRHOPE UMC

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Laura Parker, Rev. Michael Precht

Communion Servers: Sidney Carol & Miles Barnhardt, Michelle Graham, Tom Hood, Laura Parker, Ann Pearson, Katie Robertson, Katie Turner

Greeter: Melinda Murphy

Music: Shea White and Praise Band, Tom Hood, Chancel Choir, John Richardson

Media and Sound: Karl Langley, Jamie Waldhour, Nellie Meyers

Stephen Minister: Brian Norris

Usher: Rick Fitzhugh, Charles Searce, Phil Webb

**Our worship seasons allow us to re-experience the full life and ministry of Jesus every year. The "50 days of Easter," also known as Eastertide or the Easter season, is a period of celebration in the Christian liturgical year that begins on Easter Sunday and culminates with Pentecost. This season is a time to rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus Christ and anticipate the coming of the Holy Spirit.*

OPENING SONG *Come Thou Fount*

WELCOME & MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 90*

OPENING PRAYER

SINGING OUR PRAISE

I'll Fly Away

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Holy Forever

Children 4 years old and up can meet at the gym door for Children's Church.

They are to be picked up immediately following the service in the Pier Room upstairs in the Education Building.

SCRIPTURE *Ephesians 2:1-10; 1 John 4:7-8*

SERMON *The Power of "Both / And"*

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THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~ THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP[†]

FAREWELL TO A PASTOR/BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG *He Never Failed Me Yet*

The flowers are given for the glory of God and in honor of the ministry and retirement of The Reverend Laura Parker from her covenant sisters: Rev. Angie Long and Rev. Robin Wilson.

[†]You do not have to be a member of this church, or of any, to receive from Christ's table. We welcome all who desire to meet Christ in this meal where He has promised to meet us.

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