



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JULY 13TH, 2025 | 8:30AM & 11:00AM  
✠ please stand as you are able

PRELUDE *For the Beauty of Each Hour* FEDAK

WELCOME & MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Love the Lord your God: **with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind!**

Love your neighbor as yourself: **with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind!**

Do this and you will live!

**Let us worship God!**

✠ HYMN *We Gather Together* UMH 131

✠ APOSTLES' CREED UMH 881

✠ GLORIA PATRI

OFFERTORY *What a Friend We Have In Jesus* ARTMAN

✠ DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (11AM)

*Children 4 years old and up can meet at the side door for Children's Church. They are to be picked up immediately following the service in the Pier Room upstairs in the Education Building.*

HYMN *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* UMH 402

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Let the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our Rock and our Redeemer. **Amen.**

✠ SCRIPTURE *Luke 10:25-37*

SERMON *The Parable of the Levite*

## CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Holy God, we are your children, descendants of the God most high, yet, we do not behave to honor you. Our actions belittle the love you have for us. Rise up to judge us, O God. We prefer your merciful justice, than living with guilt and fear. Straighten our path, so that we can be guided as a parent guides beloved children. Amen.**

God's unconditional love is given in such a way, that we are restored to health and to wholeness. Thanks be to God!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God!**

### ✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

UMH 13

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~ THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

### ✠ HYMN

*Marching to Zion*

UMH 733

### ✠ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Recessional on "To God Be the Glory"*

WAGNER

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## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

### COMMUNION SERVERS:

8:30

Kim & John Estes,  
Mary Finger, Dr. Ann Pearson

11:00

Cheri & Jerry Forte,  
Gene Kirchoff, Carol Willis

### STEPHEN MINISTER:

8:30

Dr. Ann Pearson

11:00

Shirley Ryals

### PREACHER:

Rev. Michael Precht

### LITURGIST:

Gene Lammers

### USHER:

Mark Woodrow

### GREETER:

Jolene Schmitt

### MUSIC

Chancel Choir  
Director, Tom Hood  
Accompanist,  
John Richardson

### MEDIA:

Colin Richardson  
Toby Monckton

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3:00pm Grief Support Group

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MEDICAL PERSONNEL | FIRST RESPONDERS | MILITARY PERSONNEL

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# THE GATHERING

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JULY 13TH, 2025 11:00AM AT FAIRHOPE UMC

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

**Preacher:** Dr. Kristen Curtis Wright

**Communion Servers:** Amanda & Trey Canida, Shelly & Rick Fitzhugh

**Music:** Shea White and Praise Band

**Media and Sound:** Jamie Waldhour

**Stephen Minister:** Dr. Ann Pearson

**Usher:** Rick Fitzhugh, Charles Searce, Phil Webb

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*\*Our worship seasons allow us to re-experience the full life and ministry of Jesus every year. The season after Pentecost is the longest season of the Christian year, lasting until All Saints' Day on November 1. It is known as "ordinary" time, not because it is dull or plain, but because this is the season for remembering how the resurrection and reign of Jesus bring a new "order" to our lives and the world.*

OPENING SONG

*Less Like Me*

WELCOME & MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

*from Psalm 25:8-10*

SINGING OUR PRAISE

*Who You Say I Am*

*Build My Life*

*You Say*

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SCRIPTURE

*Luke 10:25-37*

SERMON

*Go and Do Likewise*

CONFESSION & PARDON

**God of mercy, this week you called us to love our neighbors, but we crossed to the other side. We saw a need and we looked away. We made excuses instead of offering help. Forgive us. Give us courage to stop, to show compassion, and to love as you have loved us.**

Friends, hear the good news:

God meets us with grace and mercy. In Christ, we are forgiven and set free to love boldly. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God!**

THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~ THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP<sup>†</sup>

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

*Laura Steele, Caleb, Hannah,  
Andrew & Mary Steele*

CLOSING SONG

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<sup>†</sup>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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