FAIRFIELD GLADE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
November 15, 2026
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Living and Loving like Christ

Traditional Order of Worship—8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Chiming of the Hour (11am)		
Prelude (8am)	"Take My Life and Let It Be" Henri A. Cesar Malan; arr. Raluca Bojor	
Processional (11am)	"Be Thou My Vision" (Piano duet) Eleanor Hall, arr. Lesley Morrison	
Bringing in the Light		
Introit (11 am)	"The Lord's Prayer" Albert Hay Malotte—Joyful Noise Quartet	
Welcome and Announcements		
Greeting One Another		
The Doxology		UMH 95
Hymn	"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"	UMH 89
Affirmation of Faith	based on 1 Corinthians and Colossians	UMH 888
Gloria Patri		UMH 71
Congregational Care		
The Lord's Prayer		
Offertory Hymn	"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"	UMH 301
Offertory Prayer		
Offertory (8am)	"As the Deer" Martin J. Nystrom; arr. Lester LeRoux	
Offertory (11am)	"I Hear Thy Welcome Voice" Lewis Hartsough, arr. Johnnie Dean	
Special Music (8 am)	"The Lord's Prayer" Albert Hay Malotte—Joyful Noise Quartet	
Choral Anthem (11am)	"My Jesus, I Love Thee" Featherstone and Gordon	
Scripture	Matthew 25:14-30	
Sermon	Lanita Monroe	
Hymn	"A Charge to Keep I Have"	UMH 413
Benediction		
Choral Benediction (11am)	"Take the Name of Jesus With You" Baxter and Doane	
Taking the Light into the World		
Music for Going Forth	"Give of Your Best to the Master" Mrs. Charles Barnard; arr. Gail Smith	

Traditional Worship Today

Sylvia Schneider and Lesley Morrison, pianists

Opportunities/Announcements

Grief Share will continue their special presentation of "Surviving the Holidays" throughout December. These sessions will be on Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. to Noon in Room 3 of the Education Wing.

Operation Christmas Child: Your filled shoeboxes are due back today! If you did not bring them today, you may drop them off at the church office. Call Penny Dagley at 847-553-7095 if you have any questions.

Charge Conference: Our annual Charge Conference will be held on Saturday, November 21 at 1:00 in the Sanctuary. This is the time when we share the review of the past year, set the salaries for the pastors for the coming year, and celebrate the work of ministry. Please plan to attend.

Hanging of the Greens will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, November 23. Those interested in helping to beautify our church inside and out for the Christmas season are welcome to meet in the Narthex at that time.

Community Thanksgiving Service: Plan to attend the **Thanksgiving Service** at St. Francis Assisi Catholic Church on Tuesday, November 24 at 4:30 p.m. This is an annual ecumenical service sponsored by the Fairfield Glade Council of Churches of which we are a part.

Combined Service/Potluck Brunch: We will celebrate our 5th Sunday worship together in the Sanctuary on November 29, at a single service at 10:00 a.m. The service will include our musicians from both traditional and contemporary worship. Immediately following the service, we will gather for a potluck brunch in Fellowship Hall. Sign-up sheets for the potluck are in the Narthex.

Cantata: This year's Advent planning includes a cantata entitled "Love" arranged by Joel Raney and presented by our choir and accompanied by the music ministry musicians. This cantata features a blend of traditional and contemporary settings and includes narration. It will be presented at the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, December 6.

Messiah: We are again presenting Handel's *Messiah* this Advent with the performance scheduled for Sunday, December 13 at 3:00 p.m. in our Sanctuary. This event will feature wonderful soloists, a community orchestra, and a select choir formed from our brilliant choral community. We will offer overflow seating in the Fellowship Hall, and the event will be live-streamed. This is a wonderful way to begin the Advent season. Make plans to attend!

The Compassionate Friends will be holding their Worldwide Candle Lighting Service on Sunday, December 13, at 6:30 p.m. in our Sanctuary. This service will unite family and friends around the globe as candles are lit for one hour to commemorate and honor the memories of the sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, and grandchildren who left too soon but are not forgotten. As candles are lit at 7:00 p.m. local time, hundreds of thousands of persons commemorate and honor the memory of all children gone too soon. This special service is open to anyone who has lost a loved one. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Saferite at 931-287-0042.

First Grade Christmas Parties: Plans are in the works for this year's First Grade Christmas parties at Pineview and Crab Orchard Elementary Schools. Pineview's party will be on Wednesday, December 16 at Noon. Crab Orchard's party will be on Thursday, December 17 at 8:30 a.m. If you would like to help this year, please email Donna Huber at dhuber1976@gmail.com. It's a wonderful celebration of Jesus' birth. We hope you can join us!

Congregational Care

Preserve: Sonny Hedgren, Peggy Orr, Kathie Sampson
Uplands Village: Betty Jackson (on Hospice Care), Wilma Roth

Members Living Away: Sue Armstrong, JoAnn Mintz, Joy Morrison, Pat Olsen, Tom Smith

At home: Paul Adams, Sandra Ashmore, Richard Bachor, Phyllis Betz, Lynda Bowman, Carol Cahill, Hal Cliff, Debbie Clouse, Michael Deck (at home on hospice), C.C. Duff, Terry Enlund, Judy Flinn, Judy Fouts, Larry Gagnon, Suzanne Gill, Shirley Green, Janet Hadd, Vern Hotchkiss, Mary Jane Hough, Dennis Jones, Shirley Justin, Fred Kirchner, Jim Kubacki, Bill Lapiska, Barb Leach, Diane Mallard, Betty McDermott, Darlene McGregor, Lois & Michael McMorran, Barbara & Jim Mercer, Gail Murray, Joe O'Neal, Carol Pontius, Paul Preuss, Dawn Robb, Jim Rowe, Babs & Ed Sanders, Sharon Shallcross, Karen Shaw, Kurt Smith, Shari Smith, John Snyder, Phyllis Stone, Betty Sweborg, Tim Tewalt, Rodney Todd, Norm Torrey, Otis Truxton, Joyce Turner, Virginia Wadsworth

Please remember all of our homebound members in prayer. Also, please continue to keep the brave and proud people in your prayers where war continues to rage.

Recent Surgeries and Procedures: Carol Giegerich, Bob Holyfield, Karen Saunders

Upcoming Surgeries and Procedures: Paul Adams.

The flowers on the altar today are given by Ed Froehlich in memory of Mary Ellen Froehlich

For Pastoral Care this week, please call:
Rev. Lanita Monroe (931) 200-1981
Rev. Connie Hall (931) 303-1449

Small Groups, Bible Studies, Committee Meetings
Week of November 8

SUNDAY, 11/15/26
10:30am..... Christian Characters SS Class

MONDAY, 11/16/26
8:00am..... Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:30am..... Chair Yoga
1:30pm ..... Bible Study Tech

TUESDAY, 11/17/26
7:30am..... Yoga 4 You
12:00pm ..... High Noon Sisters
12:00pm ..... Ladies Game Day
1:00pm ..... Susanna Wesley Circle

WEDNESDAY, 11/18/26
1:30pm..... Small Group Study
3:00pm..... Finance Committee
4:00pm..... Handbell Choir Rehearsal
5:30pm..... Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, 11/19/26
7:30am..... Yoga 4 You
9:00am..... Men's Bible Study
9:30am..... Chair Yoga
2:00pm..... Stephen Ministry
6:00pm..... Praise Band Rehearsal

SATURDAY, 11/21/26
9:30am..... Messiah Choral Rehearsal



Sacred Encounters

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Order of Worship
9:15 a.m.

NOTE: The Praise Band does sound checks prior to worship.
It may be loud at times, but please understand it is totally necessary.

Jammin' For Jesus!		
Welcome and Announcements		
Greeting One Another		
Gathering		
"Forever"		by Chris Tomlin
"Woke Up This Mornin'"		by J. Jefferson Cleveland and Verolga Nix
"Take My Life"		by Chris Tomlin, Louie Giglio and Frances Havergal
Congregational Care		
"I Saw the Light"		by Hank Williams, Sr.
"Jesus, the Light of the World"		by George D. Elderkin and Ken Bible
Special Music	"He Was There"	by Gary Paxton
Scripture	Matthew 25:14-30	
Sermon		Lanita Monroe
Great Thanksgiving		
The Lord's Prayer		
Holy Communion		
Time of Meditation	"He Was There"	
Closing Hymn	"We Are Singing-Marching"	
		arr. and adopted by Hal H. Hopson
Benediction		
Amen!		

Make a Joyful noise unto the Lord Psalm 98:4

Sacred Encounters Worship Today

Thanks to our **Praise Band**:
David Odegaard (bass guitar), Annetta Deck (keys),
Wade England (drums), Luke Jeffers (guitar), Nancy Winn (vocals)



Welcome to our guests!
Please pick up a gift bag in the narthex, then join us in fellowship hall after worship for coffee and cookies.

Worship Services:

8:00am Early Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
9:15am Sacred Encounters—Sanctuary (also live-streamed)
11:00am Traditional Worship—Sanctuary (also live-streamed)
(Images of those participating in worship may be visible in the live stream.)
~ Nursery Care available during 9:15am and 11:00am services ~

Sunday Classes:

10:30am Christian Characters—Friendship Room

Next Week's Scripture: Matthew 25:31-46

All Worship Services Today

Thanks to our **Audio/Video Media Team**:
8:00am: Hazel Robinson (in-house audio)
9:15am and 11:00am: David Farley (video slides preparation),
9:15am: John Jeffers (streaming), Renee Odegaard (video projection),
David Farley (in-house audio), Destiny Boles (streaming audio)
11:00am: John Jeffers (in-house audio), David Farley (streaming audio),
Mary Runfeldt (video projection), Luke Jeffers (streaming)

Thanks also to our **Behind-the-Scenes Staff:**
whose efforts help make Sunday worship possible:
Joyce Stackhouse (bulletins), JoBeth Smith (hospitality), Ruth Nelson (nursery),
Scott Lybarger (facility), Martha Waldo (custodian), Derrick Robinson (custodian)

Ways to Give:

ENVELOPE—Check, cash **ONLINE—www.ffgumc.org/give**

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation



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