

**FAIRFIELD GLADE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**March 8, 2026  
Third Sunday in Lent**



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

Chiming of the Hour (11am)		
Prelude (8am) / Processional (11am)		
	"Here I Am to Worship"	Tim Hughes; arr. Phillip Keveren
Bringing in the Light		
Greeting and Announcements		
Choral Introit (11am)	"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"	
		Text: Christian H. Bateman; arr. David Evans
Hymn	"I Am Thine, O Lord"	UMH 419
Affirmation of Faith	A Modern Affirmation	UMH 885
Gloria Patri		UMH 71
Congregational Care		
The Lord's Prayer		
Offertory Hymn	"Jesu, Jesu"	UMH 432
Offertory Prayer		
Offertory	"Jesus, Name Above All Names"	Naida Hearn
Choral Anthem (11am)	"What A Savior"	
		Words: J. Paul Williams; Music: Benjamin Harlan
Scripture	Matthew 25:34-40, John 13:3-5, 12-17	
Sermon		Lanita Monroe
Hymn	"Take My Life, and Let It Be"	UMH 399
Benediction		
Choral Benediction (11am)	"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"	
		Words: John Fawcett; Music: The European Magazine and Review
Taking the Light into the World		
Music for Going Forth	"Fill My Cup, Lord"	Richard Blanchard; arr. Gene Roberson



**Traditional Worship Today**

8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.: Sylvia Schneider, pianist



Welcome to our guests!  
Please join us in Fellowship Hall after worship  
for coffee and cookies.

**Opportunities/Announcements**

**Servant Ministry Sunday:** Join us today from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall before or after the service you attend. Come to learn about and show support for the agencies we financially support through Servant Ministry. Each agency will have a table set up with literature and information about their mission and a representative will be available to answer questions you may have.

**Compassionate Friends** will meet today at 2:00 p.m. in Room 3.

**Scholarship Fund for 2026:** Since 1991, FFGUMC has provided financial assistance to graduates of Cumberland County High School and Stone Memorial High School in their pursuit of post-secondary education and training. Last year, we had 78 applicants and awarded \$54,500 to 62 students. In selecting our recipients, we consider multiple factors including financial need, academics, and school and community involvement. Our impact is dependent upon the financial support of you, our congregation. If you are so inclined to assist us this year, please donate. You may use an envelope in the pew rack to give cash or make a check out to FFGUMC with "Scholarships" on the memo line. If you prefer, you may bring your donation to the church office.

**United Women in Faith:** Today's the day—don't miss your chance to sign up for the Annual Lenten Breakfast on March 11! The sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex, and we would love to see your name on it. Come be part of this meaningful tradition with United Women in Faith as we gather for fellowship, inspiration, and a delicious breakfast together. We are delighted to welcome Pastor Matt as our guest speaker—come ready to be encouraged and uplifted during this special Lenten season. A freewill offering will be received to support the National Mission Institutes serving women, youth, and children—your generosity makes a difference! Questions? Contact Billie Mitchell at 217-246-5750.

**Rummage Sale:** There will be a preparatory meeting on Sunday, March 22 at 12:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall for all those interested in helping with this year's Rummage Sale. The sale will take place June 3, 4, 5, and 6. If you can't make the meeting, please call Carol Reis at 901-219-6820.

**Easter Lilies** will once again be available this year. Forms for ordering are in the Narthex. The cost is \$17.00 each. Make your check out to FFGUMC with "Lily" on the memo line, or you may pay with cash. The deadline to order is Friday, March 27.

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Special Combined Service / Brunch:** On March 29, the congregations from all three services are invited to meet together for ONE combined worship service at 10:00 a.m., followed by a Potluck Brunch. We will have a mixture of music from our choir, traditional hymns, and our Praise band. This will be a time when friends from different worship services can reconnect, as well as make new friends. Make plans to join us for this special time of worship and fellowship!

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Brunch** will be March 29, after the 10:00 a.m. combined worship service. Sign-up sheets for the potluck are located in the Narthex. All casseroles, salads, pastries, or desserts will be greatly appreciated and enjoyed. Decorations, drinks, laughter, and smiles will be provided. Looking forward to having our church family together to celebrate in God's name. Please remember to bring your own place settings.

**Special Presentation:** Please join us on Monday, March 30, at 10:00 a.m. in our Choir Room for a special presentation on services available to Fairfield Glade residents and the Vial of Life program. The speaker will be John Wedgworth, President, Fairfield Glade Resident Services.

**Bible Study Tech's** Spring Study will run from March 30 to May 18, 1:30-3:30 p.m., with Easter Monday as a holiday. They will be using the book *Discerning the Voice of God* by Priscilla Shirer. Weekly homework is requested for reading and answering questions, but they encourage you to attend the discussion group even if you have been unable to complete the five days of homework, as much is learned from shared discussions. Please order your own book from Amazon.com, Christianbook.com or Lifeway.com. Books cost about \$25 and provide video streaming access. Then email Barb DesBiens at [barbdesbiens629@gmail.com](mailto:barbdesbiens629@gmail.com) or Mim Buysse at [mim\\_buysse@yahoo.com](mailto:mim_buysse@yahoo.com) to let them know you plan to attend,

**Congregational Care**

**Bledsoe County Nursing Home, Pikeville, TN:** Dean Kanuckel

**Dominion Senior Living:** Sharon Meyer, Marilyn Orr

**Holiday Lake Shore Commons, Wilmington, NC:** JoAnn Mintz

**Morning Pointe of Lenoir City:** Joy Morrison

**NHC Place at Cool Springs, Franklin, TN:** Tom Smith

**Preserve:** Peggy Orr, Bonnie Richter, Kathie Sampson

**Uplands Village:** Mary Nell Benson, Wilma Roth

**At home:** Sue Armstrong, Sandra Ashmore, Phyllis Betz, Linda Bowman, Les Cecil, Richard Comshaw, Michael Deck, C.C. Duff, Judy Flinn, Larry Gagnon, Ron Gee, Carol Giegerich, Suzanne Gill, Anita Grenier, Karen Gundy, Janet Hadd, Vern Hotchkiss, Bill Hunt (on hospice care), Diane Johnston (on hospice care), Shirley Justin, Donna Klippel, Fred Kirchner, Jim Kubacki, Bill Lapiska, Barb Leach, Tom Liebert, Diane Mallard, Lois McMorran, Barbara & Jim Mercer, Sid Miller, Gail Murray, Holly Neal, Joe O'Neal, Pat Olsen, Carol Pontius, Bev Robb, Dawn Robb, Bob Roberts, Ron Roberts, Hazel Robinson, Babs & Ed Sanders, Larry Schroth, Sharon Shallcross, Kurt Smith, Nancy Dralle Smith, John Snyder, Phyllis Stone, Gary Storer, Betty Sweborg, Rodney Todd, Chris Thayer, Norm Torrey, Otis Truxton

**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:** Mike Davis, Anita Grenier, Donald Young

**Upcoming Surgeries and Procedures:** None known

**Christian Condolences to:**

† Max Mayo and family, on the death of his father, Rev. Jerry Hilton Mayo, who died on Tuesday, March 3. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 7 at the Pomona Methodist Church. The Service of Committal followed at the Crossville City Cemetery.

**Upcoming Memorial Service:**

† A Memorial Service will be held on Thursday, March 26, at 11:00 a.m. for Derith Skipworth, who died on February 16. There will be a small Service of Committal in the Memorial Garden at 10:30 a.m., to inurn her ashes prior to the Memorial Service.

**For Pastoral Care this week, please call:**

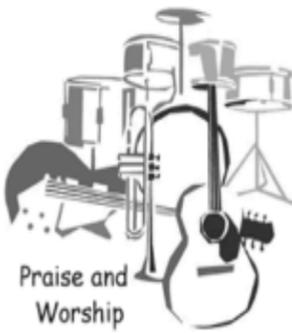
Rev. Lanita Monroe (931) 200-1981

Rev. Connie Hall (931) 303-1449

Pastor Matt McClanahan (931) 210-8674

**Small Groups, Bible Studies, Committee Meetings  
Week of March 8**

<b>SUNDAY, 03/08/26</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY, 03/11/26</b>
10:30am .....Christian Characters SS Class	9:00am ..... UWF Lenten Breakfast
10:30am ..... Book of Romans SS Class	11:00am ..... Lenten Bible Study
2:00pm .....Compassionate Friends	1:30pm ..... Small Group Study
<b>MONDAY, 03/09/26</b>	4:00pm ..... Handbell Choir Rehearsal
8:00am .....Men's Prayer Breakfast	5:30pm ..... Choir Rehearsal
9:30am .....Chair Yoga	<b>THURSDAY, 03/12/26</b>
3:00pm ..... Trustees Meeting	9:00am ..... Men's Bible Study
3:00pm ..... "The Way" Lenten Study	9:30am ..... Chair Yoga
<b>TUESDAY, 03/10/26</b>	6:00pm ..... Praise Band Rehearsal
9:30am ..... Crafters for Missions	<b>FRIDAY, 03/13/26</b>
10:00am ..... GriefShare	12:00pm .....Ladies Card Game Day
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# Sacred Encounters

*Living and Loving like Christ*

## Contemporary 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!
- Greeting and Announcements
- Gathering
  - "I Saw the Light" Hank Williams, Sr.
  - "God Will Make a Way" Don Moen
  - "Jesus, the Light of the World" Ken Bible, George D. Elderkin
- Congregational Care
  - "Word of God, Speak" Bart Millard, Pete Kipley
  - "Just a Closer Walk With Thee" Derrick Lee
- Special Music "Lovely Day" Bill Withers, Skip Scarborough
- Scripture Matthew 25:34-40, John 13:3-5,12-17
- Sermon Lanita Monroe
- Great Thanksgiving
- The Lord's Prayer
- Holy Communion
- Time of Meditation "Word of God, Speak"
- Closing Hymn "My Savior (Some Kind of Wonderful)" Mark Farmer
- Benediction
- Amen!

## 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)

"**Jammin' for Jesus**" is the name of our Praise Band and if you attend the 9:15 worship service, you know that is exactly what they are about! Renee Odegaard has designed a t-shirt, which we are offering at cost to anyone wishing to buy one. They are red, 50% cotton and 50% polyester. Examples of sizes are in the Narthex. This past Sunday, Lanita was wearing an extra-large size. The cost is \$20.00 a shirt; sizes are Small, Medium, Large, Extra-Large, 2 XL, and 3XL. We will not order them until we collect the money. So, if you signed up to buy one this past Sunday, we will need your money before we place your order. Please make your check payable to the church (FFGUMC) with "T-shirt" on the memo line. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex on Sundays and on the table across from the front office during the week. Order deadline is March 31.

## 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 streamed worship may be visible in the live stream.)  
~ Nursery Care available during 9:15am and 11:00am services ~

## Sunday Classes:

- 10:30am Christian Characters—Room 3 on 3/8/26
- 10:30am Romans Study—Room 7

## Next Week's Scripture:

John 9:1-41

## All Worship Services Today

Thanks to our **Audio/Video Media Team:**

- 8:00am: Luke Jeffers (audio)
- 9:15am, 11:00am: David Farley (video slides preparation)
- 9:15am: John Jeffers (in-house audio), Jackson Prine (streaming audio), Ruth Kmiec (video projection), David Farley (streaming)
- 11:00am: Jackson Prine (in-house audio), John Jeffers (streaming audio), Hazel Robinson (video projection), Luke Jeffers (streaming)

Thanks also to our **Behind-the-Scenes Staff**

whose efforts help make Sunday worship possible:  
Ruth Kmiec (bulletins), JoBeth Smith (hospitality), Lisa Williams (membership),  
Scott Lybarger (facility), Martha Waldo (custodian), Ruth Nelson (nursery)

## Ways to Give:



ENVELOPE—Check, cash



ONLINE—[www.ffgumc.org/give](http://www.ffgumc.org/give)

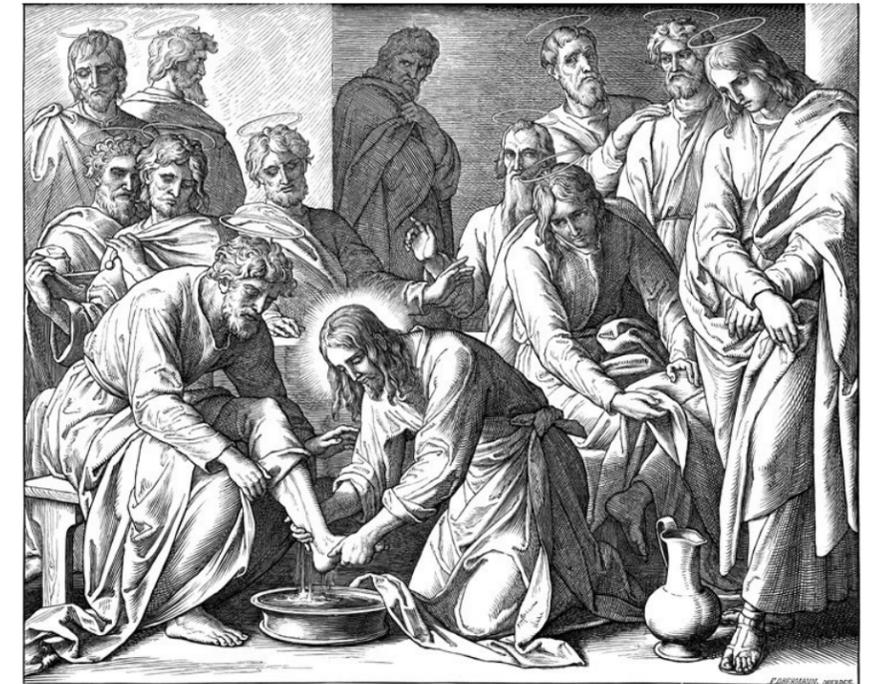
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A Stephen Ministry Congregation



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