

Fairfield Glade United Methodist Church

November 9, 2025

Twenty-second 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) / Processional (11am)		
	“God of Our Fathers”	George William Warren
Bringing in the Light		
Greeting and Announcements		
Mission Moment	Hospitality	JoBeth Smith
Choral Introit (11am)	“America (My Country, ‘Tis of Thee)”	music from <i>Thesaurus musicus</i>
Honoring our Veterans		
Hymn	“Onward, Christian Soldiers”	UMH 575
Affirmation of Faith	Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 37-39	UMH 887
Gloria Patri		
Congregational Care		
The Lord’s Prayer		
Offertory Hymn	“Battle Hymn of the Republic”	UMH 717
Offertory Prayer		
Offertory	“Spirit of the Living God”	Daniel Iverson; arr. Daniel Light
Special Music (8am)	“Modlitwa dziewicy”	Tekla Bądarzewska-Baranowska
	Alex Chen, guest pianist	
Choral Anthem (11am)	“If My People Will Pray”	Jimmy Owens; arr. Keith Christopher
Scripture		
	Luke 20:27-38	
Sermon		Lanita Monroe
Hymn	“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”	UMH 117
Benediction		
Choral Benediction (11am)	“May The Road Rise To Meet You”	(Gaelic Benediction) Lee Turner
Taking the Light into the World		
Music for Going Forth	“When We All Get to Heaven”	Emily D. Wilson; arr. Glenn & Jan Christianson

Traditional Worship Today

Sylvia Schneider, pianist

Special thanks to Alex Chen for sharing his gift of music in today’s worship service.



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

Opportunities/Announcements

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

**Charge Conference:** Each year, the church holds its annual meeting, known as the Charge Conference. This year, it will be held on Tuesday, November 11, at 2:00 p.m., in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to attend.

**UWF:** Join United Women in Faith for a joyful morning of gratitude and fellowship as they celebrate the many blessings God has poured into our lives through the World Thank Offering. Heidi Eber will share an inspiring program that will lift your spirit and deepen your sense of thankfulness on Wednesday, November 12 at 9:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Come be part of this beautiful time of worship, reflection, and connection with other women of faith! For more information call Karen Saunders at 401-603-8454.

**Game Night:** Come enjoy playing games on Thursday, November 13, at 5:30 p.m., in Fellowship Hall. Please bring a snack to share.

**Operation Christmas Child** shoeboxes are still available in the Library hallway for you to pick up. Help yourself to the gifts available for your shoebox. Please read the “change” sign for new information. Remember to return your filled shoeboxes to the Sanctuary on Sunday, November 16.

**New Small Group Study** led by Bev Talbott will begin November 19 at 1:30 pm in Room 3. There is no homework! The class will study the book *The Blessed Life: Unlocking the Rewards of Generous Living* by Robert Morris. If you would like to purchase a book, it is available on Amazon, or if you would like for the church to purchase it and you reimburse the church, please note that on the sign-up sheet., which is located in the Narthex.

**Consecration Sunday:** We are making plans for next year and how we are called to be the best stewards of God’s gifts to us as individuals and as a congregation. "My Plan for Ministry-2026" [dark teal] cards are now available in the Narthex for your plan of stewardship for the coming year. On Sunday, November 23, at all three worship services, we will consecrate our 2026 plans. We would like to have your estimate of giving card returned on that morning. If you will be out of town, you are invited to bring your information to the church office so we can include it with the others on Consecration Sunday.

**Advent Study:** Please join Pastor Lanita Monroe for an Advent study based on Adam Hamilton’s book *Faithful: Christmas Through the Eyes of Joseph*. This four-week study will be held in Fellowship Hall beginning Monday, November 24 at 4:00 p.m. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex.

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Special Combined Service / Brunch:** The congregations from ALL THREE services are invited to meet together for ONE worship service at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 30, followed by a Potluck Brunch. We will have a mixture of music from our choir, traditional hymns, and our Praise team. 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! Sign-up sheets for the potluck are in the Narthex.

**Handel’s *Messiah*** will be presented in our Sanctuary on Sunday, November 30, at 3:00 p.m. 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 14, 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.

**UMCOR responds to Hurricane Melissa:** The United Methodist Committee on Relief is on the ground in Jamaica, working to clean and repair following “the worst hurricane in 150 years.” If you would like to make a donation toward the recovery efforts in the Caribbean following this hurricane, you may make your check payable to the church, with UMCOR on the memo line. You can be assured that 100% of your donation will go to direct aid in the Caribbean. Administrative costs for UMCOR are covered by our Connectional relationship within The United Methodist Church.

Congregational Care

**Cumberland Medical Center:** Kurt Smith  
**Cumberland House Hospice:** Derith Skipworth

**Bledsoe County Nursing Home, Pikeville, TN:** Dean Kanuckel  
**Dominion Senior Living:** Sharon Meyer, Marilyn Orr  
**Holiday Lake Shore Commons, Wilmington, NC:** JoAnn Mintz  
**Life Care Center of Crossville:** Marilyn Bazley-Lowe  
**Morning Pointe of Lenoir City:** Joy Morrison  
**NHC Place at Cool Springs, Franklin, TN:** Tom Smith  
**Preserve:** Shirley Justin, Peggy Orr, Kathie Sampson  
**Uplands Village:** Mary Nell Benson, Wilma Roth

**At home:** Sue Armstrong, Sandra Ashmore, Phyllis Betz, Linda Bowman, Les Cecil, Richard Comshaw, Jeff Crosby, Karen DeVinney, C.C. Duff, Judy Flinn, George Foster, Larry Gagnon, Suzanne Gill, Karen Gundy, Janet Hadd, Dennis Jones, Donna Klippel, Fred Kirchner, Jim Kubacki, Bill Lapiska, Barb Leach, Diane Mallard, Lois McMorran, Barbara & Jim Mercer, Sid Miller, Gail Murray, Joe O’Neal, Pat Olsen, Carol Pontius, Carol Reis, Dawn Robb, Bob Roberts, Ron Roberts, Babs & Ed Sanders, Larry Schroth, Sharon Shallcross, Nancy Dralle Smith, John Snyder, Phyllis Stone, Gary Storer, Betty Sweborg, Rodney Todd, Sue Torrey, Louie Weatherford

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: Donna Slinkard

Upcoming Surgeries and Procedures: None known

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 November 9	
<b>SUNDAY, 11/09/25</b> 10:30am .....Christian Characters SS Class 2:00pm .....Compassionate Friends 3:00pm ..... Plateau Women's Chorus Concert	<b>WEDNESDAY, 11/12/25</b> 9:15am .....United Women in Faith 4:00pm..... Handbells Rehearsal 5:30pm..... Choir Rehearsal
<b>MONDAY, 11/10/25</b> 8:00am .....Men’s Breakfast 9:30am .....Chair Yoga 9:30am ..... UWF Board Meeting 1:30pm ..... Bible Study Tech 3:00pm ..... Trustees Meeting	<b>THURSDAY, 11/13/25</b> 9:00am .....Men’s Bible Study 9:30am ..... Chair Yoga 3:00pm.....Counting Volunteers Meeting 5:30pm.....Game Night 6:00pm.....Praise Band Rehearsal
<b>TUESDAY, 11/11/25</b> 8:00am .....Mobile Soup Kitchen Prep 12:00pm ..... High Noon Sisters 12:00pm ..... Ladies Game Day 2:00pm ..... Charge Conference	<b>FRIDAY, 11/14/25</b> 12:00pm.....Ladies Game Day <b>SATURDAY, 11/15/25</b> 9:30am .....Messiah Choral Rehearsal



# Sacred Encounters

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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		
Mission Moment	Hospitality	JoBeth Smith
Honoring Our Veterans		
Gathering		
“God Bless the USA”		Lee Greenwood
“This Is the Day”	Words: Psalm 118:24; adapt by Les Garrett; Music: Les Garrett	
“I Sing Praises”		Terry MacAlmon
Congregational Care		
“Amazing Grace (Peaceful Easy Feeling)”		John Newton
“Give Thanks”		Henry Smith
Special Music		
	“Grace Got You”	
	Bart Millard, David Garcia, Solomon Olds, John Reuben Zappin, Ben Glover	
Scripture		
	Luke 20:27-38	
Sermon		
		Lanita Monroe
Great Thanksgiving		
The Lord’s Prayer		
Holy Communion		
Time of Meditation	“Amazing Grace (Peaceful Easy Feeling)”	
Closing Hymn	“Saved”	Jerome Leiber, Michael Stoller
Benediction		
Amen!		

Sacred Encounters Worship Today

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

Sermon Notes:


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 Class:  
10:30am Christian Characters—Friendship Room


Next Week’s Scripture:  
Luke 21:5-19

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: John Jeffers (in-house audio), Jackson Prine (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), Ruth Nelson (nursery),  
Scott Lybarger (facility), Martha Waldo (custodian), Jonny Miller (custodian)

Ways to Give:

 ENVELOPE—Check, cash

 ONLINE—www.ffgumc.org/give

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation



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