**FAIRFIELD GLADE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
**November 8, 2026**
**Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

*Living and Loving like Christ*

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

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| Chiming of the Hour (11am) | | |
| Prelude/Processional | "Bring Him Home" | |
| | Claude-Michel Schönberg, Herbert Krertzmer and Alain Boublil—Soloist Ryan Bartscher | |
| Bringing in the Light | | |
| Welcome and Announcements | | |
| Honoring our Veterans | | |
| Greeting One Another | | |
| The Doxology | | UMH 95 |
| Hymn | "America" (My Country, 'Tis of Thee) | UMH 697 |
| Psalter | Psalm 78:1-4 | UMH 799 |
| Gloria Patri | | UMH 71 |
| Congregational Care | | |
| The Lord's Prayer | | |
| Offertory Hymn | "Steal Away to Jesus" | UMH 704 |
| Offertory Prayer | | |
| Offertory | "Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet" | |
| | Michael W. Smith; arr. Barbara Fisher | |
| Special Music (8 am) | "Let There Be Peace on Earth" | |
| | Jill Jackson and Sy Miller; Soloist Rusty McClanahan | |
| Choral Anthem (11am) | "The Music of Thy Name" | Craig Courtney |
| Scripture | Matthew 25:1-13 | |
| Sermon | | Regina Hall |
| Hymn | "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" | UMH 540 |
| Benediction | | |
| Choral Benediction (11am) | "The Music of Thy Name" | Reprise |
| Taking the Light into the World | | |
| Music for Going Forth (8 am) | "Give Me Oil in My Lamp" | Traditional; arr. J. Chen |
| Music for Going Forth (11 am) | "Canon in D" | Johann Pachelbel |

## Traditional Worship Today

Sylvia Schneider and Lesley Morrison, pianists

## Opportunities/Announcements

**Compassionate Friends** will meet TODAY, November 8 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 3.

**Grief Share** will begin a special presentation of "Surviving the Holidays" on Tuesday, November 10, 10:00 a.m. to Noon and continuing every Tuesday in December in Room 3 of the Education Wing.

**United Women of Faith** - All women are invited to attend United Women in Faith on Wednesday, November 11 in Fellowship Hall starting at 9:15 a.m. Bing a friend; stay for fellowship!

**Game Night—**Join us this Thursday, November 12 at 5:30 in Fellowship Hall for an evening of fun and games.

**Operation Christmas Child:** There is still time to pick up a shoebox and fill it with goodies to be sent to children in need around the world! There are directions on filling the shoebox, along with the boxes, on the table in the hall leading to Fellowship Hall. Fill a box and bring your box to church on Sunday, November 15. If you will not be here that Sunday, you may drop off your shoebox at the church office. Call Penny Dagley at 847-553-7095 if you have any questions.

**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.

**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.

## Congregational Care

**Cumberland Medical Center:** Sonny Hedgren
**Preserve:** 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, Jean Dalbey, 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:** None known.

**Upcoming Memorial Services:**

† A Memorial Service for Jan Weeden, who died on October 26, will be held in our Sanctuary on Sunday, November 8, at 2:00 p.m.

**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

**SUNDAY, 11/08/26**
10:30am ..... Christian Characters SS Class
2:00pm ..... Compassionate Friends
2:00pm ..... Jan Weeden Memorial Service
**MONDAY, 11/09/26**
8:00am ..... Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:30am ..... Chair Yoga
1:30pm ..... Bible Study Tech
3:00pm ..... Trustees' Meeting
**TUESDAY, 11/10/26**
7:30am ..... Yoga 4 You
12:00pm ..... High Noon Sisters
12:00pm ..... Ladies Game Day
**WEDNESDAY, 11/11/26**
9:15am ..... United Women in Faith
1:30pm ..... Small Group Study
4:00pm ..... Handbell Choir Rehearsal
5:30pm ..... Choir Rehearsal
**THURSDAY, 11/12/26**
7:30am ..... Yoga 4 You
9:00am ..... Men's Bible Study
9:30am ..... Chair Yoga
5:30pm ..... Game Night
6:00pm ..... Praise Band 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.*

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| Jammin' For Jesus! | | |
| Welcome and Announcements | | |
| Honoring our Veterans | | |
| Greeting One Another | | |
| Gathering | | |
| "Blessed Be the Name of the Lord" | | Clinton Utterbach |
| "Step by Step" | | David Strasser |
| "Surely the Presence of the Lord" | | Lanny Wolfe |
| Congregational Care | | |
| "10,000 Reasons" | | Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman |
| "You Are My God" | | Jon Barker |
| Special Music | "Grace Got You" | |
| | Bart Milard, David Garcia, Soloman Olds, John Ruben Zappin and Ben Glover | |
| Scripture | Matthew 25:1-13 | |
| Sermon | | Regina Hall |
| Great Thanksgiving | | |
| The Lord's Prayer | | |
| Holy Communion | | |
| Time of Meditation | "10,000 Reasons" | |
| Closing Hymn | "My Life Is in You, Lord" | Daniel Gardner |
| 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:**

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| 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:**

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| 10:30am | Christian Characters—Friendship Room |

**Next Week's Scripture:** Matthew 25:14-30

## All Worship Services Today

Thanks to our **Audio/Video Media Team**:
8:00am: Kathie Hillner (in-house audio)
9:15am and 11:00am: David Farley (video slides preparation),
9:15am: David Farley (streaming), Ruth Kmiec (video projection),
John Jeffers (in-house audio, streaming audio)
11:00am: David Farley (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:
Joyce Stackhouse/Ruth Kmiec (bulletins), JoBeth Smith (hospitality), Ruth Nelson (nursery),
Scott Lybarger (facility), Martha Waldo (custodian), Derrick Robinson (custodian)

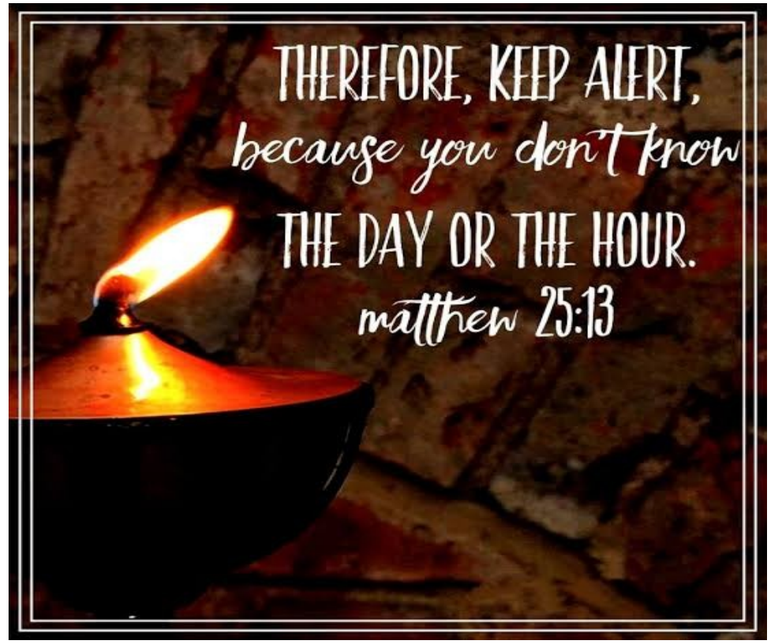
**Ways to Give:**

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

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**A Stephen Ministry Congregation**




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