

**FAIRFIELD GLADE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**April 26, 2026  
Fourth Sunday of Easter**

*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)		
	“To God Be the Glory”	
		William H. Doane; arr. Mary McDonald
Bringing in the Light		
Greeting and Announcements		
Choral Introit (11am)	“Alleluia, Alleluia”	Donald Fishel
Hymn	“There’s a Song in the Air”	UMH 249
Psalter	Psalm 23	UMH 754
Gloria Patri		UMH 71
Congregational Care		
The Lord’s Prayer		
Offertory Hymn	“There Is a Balm in Gilead”	UMH 375
Offertory Prayer		
Offertory (8am)	“The New 23rd”	
		Ralph Carmichael; arr. Marilyn Thompson
Offertory (11am)	“I Love You, Lord”	
Handbell Choir		Laurie Klein; arr. Patricia Sanders Cole
Special Music (8am)	“The Prayer”	
Heidi Eber and Rusty McClanahan, vocalists		David Foster, Carole Bayer Sager
Choral Anthem (11am)	“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”	arr. Craig Courtney
Scripture	John 10:1-10	
Sermon		Lanita Monroe
Hymn	“How Firm a Foundation”	UMH 529
Benediction		
Choral Benediction (11am)	“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”	
		Words: Edwin Hatch; Music: Robert Jackson
Taking the Light into the World		
Music for Going Forth	“Then Came the Morning”	
		William J. Gaither and Chris Christian; arr. Reflet des Nuages



**Traditional Worship Today**

Sylvia Schneider, pianist

Special thanks to Heidi Eber and Rusty McClanahan for sharing their gifts 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**

**Sacred Encounters Worship Services** will be held in our outdoor Pavilion beginning next Sunday, May 3, and will continue outside through, and including, the first week of October. These outdoor services will *not* be live-streamed. The band is planning to wear their new *Jammin’ for Jesus* T-shirts on May 3. If you ordered (and received) a red *Jammin’ for Jesus* T-shirt, please wear it to the 9:15 a.m. service on May 3, to show our love and support for this talented and dedicated group of musicians!

**Pavilion Cleaning Volunteers** are needed to prepare the Pavilion for worship every Sunday morning during the outdoor worship season. Sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex or Pavilion on Sundays and on the table across from the Church Office during the week. Please consider taking a turn at this so we all can enjoy our Sacred Encounters worship in a clean and comfortable Pavilion.

**Ushers and Communion Servers** are needed for the 9:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services. If you are willing to volunteer, please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex or contact Penny Dagley (847-553-7095 or [pdagley50@gmail.com](mailto:pdagley50@gmail.com)) for the 11:00 service and Penny or Anne Heffentreyer (301-752-5061 or [aheffentreyer@gmail.com](mailto:aheffentreyer@gmail.com)) for the 9:15 service. Meetings will be set up to review the responsibilities in detail with those who volunteer.

**Cookies Needed:** Please help replenish our supply of cookies for Sunday morning fellowship. Also, please join us in Fellowship Hall for a snack and good conversation after each worship service.

**Scholarship Fund for 2026:** Donations are needed in order to fund scholarships to local high school students pursuing higher education. Please use an envelope from the pew rack to make a donation. You can give cash or make your check payable to FFGUMC with “scholarship” in the memo line.

**Mutual Care Challenge Closed:** The answers to matching photos to our 11 caring ministries are now posted on the bulletin board outside Connie’s office. You may want to stop and see how right or wrong you were! Winners to be announced!

**Teddy Bear Ministry:** On Mother’s Day, Sunday, May 10, we will be collecting stuffed animals once again to support our Teddy Bear Ministry. These cuddly animals will be given to the hospital, nursing homes, police departments, and a variety of other agencies that support children and seniors in crisis. Please bring in new or gently-used teddy bears or other stuffed animals (12”–18” preferred) and place them in front of the altar for blessing.

**Rummage Sale** will be held on Thursday, June 4, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Friday, June 5, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Saturday, June 6, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. There will also be a Bale Sale on Thursday, June 4. Donations for the Rummage Sale will be accepted *beginning Wednesday, May 6. Nothing should be dropped off at the church before May 6.* The trailer will be open every Wednesday and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 2:00-4:00 p.m. through May 30 for household items, etc. Clothing donations can be left in the Friendship Room beginning May 6. Please make certain that all your donations are clean and without holes, rips, or tears; i.e., something that you would buy. Many volunteers are needed to make this annual event a success. Sign-up sheets are in the hallway leading to Fellowship Hall.

**FFGUMC Annual Golf Outing** will take place on Sunday, June 14, at 2:00 p.m. at Heatherhurst Crag. This annual event features a 9-hole scramble, contests, and a post-tournament awards luncheon, all for \$30 (non-golfers may participate for \$16). Participants will pay for their own golf. Representative are available after each worship service to sign up golfers for the outing. Look for Dave Bouque, Joe Barth, Larry Pauley, Gary Molnar, or Hazel Robinson.

**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:** Kathie Sampson

**Uplands Village:** Wilma Roth

**At home:** Paul Adams, Sue Armstrong, Sandra Ashmore, Phyllis Betz, Jeanne Bosley, Linda Bowman, Les Cecil, Richard Comshaw, Michael Deck, C.C. Duff, Judy Flinn, Larry Gagnon, Carol Giegerich, Suzanne Gill, Anita Grenier, Karen Gundy, Janet Hadd, Vern Hotchkiss, Shirley Justin, Donna Klippel, Fred Kirchner, Jim Kubacki, Bill Lapiska, Barb Leach, Jim Legg, Tom Liebert, Diane Mallard, Linda McClanahan, Lois McMorrnan, Barbara & Jim Mercer, Sid Miller, Gail Murray, Holly Neal, Joe O’Neal, Pat Olsen, Carol Pontius, Dawn Robb, Jim Rowe, Babs & Ed Sanders, Larry Schroth, Sharon Shallcross, Kurt Smith, John Snyder, Phyllis Stone, Gary Storer, Betty Sweborg, Alvin Thayer, Rodney Todd, Otis Truxton, Christina Watson, Donald Young

**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:** Karen DeVinney, Terry Enlund, Paul Preuss

**Upcoming Surgeries and Procedures:** Judy Fouts, Norm Torrey

**Upcoming Memorial Service:**

+ A Memorial Service for Ken Alexander, who died on April 2, 2026, will be held in our Sanctuary on Friday, May 1, at 1:00 p.m.

**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

**Sermon Notes:**

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**Small Groups, Bible Studies, Committee Meetings  
Week of April 26**

**SUNDAY, 04/26/26**  
 10:30am .....Christian Characters SS Class  
 10:30am .....Romans SS Class  
 3:00pm .....CCCC Spring Concert  
**MONDAY, 04/27/26**  
 8:00am .....Men’s Prayer Breakfast  
 9:30am .....Chair Yoga  
 1:30pm ..... Bible Study Tech  
**TUESDAY, 04/28/26**  
 9:00am .....Mobile Soup Kitchen Prep  
 9:30am ..... Crafters for Missions  
 10:00am ..... GriefShare

**TUESDAY, 04/28/26—continued**  
 12:00pm .....High Noon Sisters  
 12:00pm .....Ladies Game Day  
**WEDNESDAY, 04/29/26**  
 4:00pm ..... Handbells Rehearsal  
 5:30pm ..... Choir Rehearsal  
**THURSDAY, 04/30/26**  
 9:00am .....Men’s Bible Study  
 9:30am .....Chair Yoga  
 6:00pm .....Praise Band Rehearsal  
**FRIDAY, 05/01/26**  
 12:00pm .....Ladies Card Game Day  
 1:00pm ..... K.Alexander Memorial Service



# 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!
- Greeting and Announcements
- Gathering
  - "Lovely Day" Bill Withers, Skip Scarborough
  - "Take Me to the Cross" Dana Key
  - "God Will Make a Way" Don Moen
- Congregational Care
  - "Grace Greater Than Our Sin" Julia H. Johnston, Daniel B. Towner
  - "People Need the Lord" Phil McHugh, Greg Nelson
- Special Music
  - "Workin' Man" Joel Parisien, Mark Rogers, Myles Rogers, Paige Armstrong (New World Son)
- Scripture John 10:1-10
- Sermon Lanita Monroe
- Great Thanksgiving
- The Lord's Prayer
- Holy Communion
- Time of Meditation "People Need the Lord"
- Closing Hymn "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart"  
Rufus H. McDaniel, Charles H. Gabriel
- Benediction
- Amen!



### Sacred Encounters Worship Today

Thanks to our **Praise Band:**

David Odegaard (bass guitar), Jackson Prine (keys),  
Wade England (drums), Luke Jeffers (guitar), Nancy Winn (vocals)

Special thanks to Jackson Prine for sharing his gift of music in today's worship.

### Worship Services:

- 8:00am Early Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
  - 9:15am Sacred Encounters—Sanctuary through April 26 (also live-streamed)
  - 9:15am Sacred Encounters—Pavilion May 3-October 4 (*not* 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
- 10:30am Romans Study—Room 7

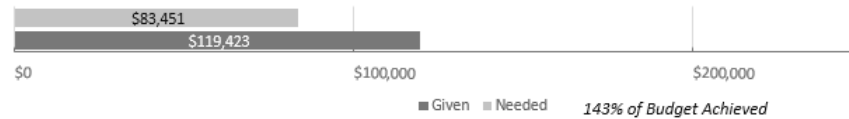
### Next Week's Scripture:

John 14:1-14

#### March 2026 Attendance

Average In-house 8:00	Average In-house 9:15	Average In-house 11:00	Average In-house YTD	Average Online 9:15	Average Online 11:00	Average Online YTD	Average Combined YTD
66	161	106	274	72	55	54	328

#### Current Year Giving as of March 30 Versus 2026 Budget



### Ways to Give:



ENVELOPE—Check, cash



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

### All Worship Services Today

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

- 8:00am: Luke Jeffers (in-house audio)
- 9:15am and 11:00am: David Farley (video slides preparation)
- 9:15am: John Jeffers (in-house & streaming audio), Ruth Kmiec (video projection), David Farley (streaming)
- 11:00am: David Farley (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), Lisa Williams (membership), Scott Lybarger (facility), Martha Waldo (custodian), Ruth Nelson (nursery)

#### CONTACT INFO

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation



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