

Order of Worship
First Sunday after Pentecost
 May 31, 2026 at 10:30 a.m.

Gathering Music *Hymn Medley* arr. O'Boyle

Welcome

Prelude *Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Weary* arr. Mark Hayes

***Call to Worship** (Responsive) Joel 2
 Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all people.
Come, sing a new song of praise!
 Your sons and daughters shall prophesy, and your old shall dream new dreams.
Come, see a new vision of hope!
 You shall know that I am in the midst of you.
Come, proclaim the promise of life anew!
 And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.
Come, celebrate God's new day! Let us worship God!

***Hymn 37** *Let All Things Now Living* Ash Grove

Call to Prayer

Prayer for Forgiveness (Unison)
 God, there is no God but you—yet we follow the gods of this world, the idols that tell us that saying certain words or following certain rules will get us into heaven, and will give us life after death. Turn us away from such foolishness and help us instead to focus on eternity, in how we love one another and pass on your ways of love and justice to others around us. Help us to be less concerned with saving our lives and instead be willing to risk the safety and security of worldly success to live out Your justice in this world, to help others instead of ourselves. In the name of Christ, who gave his all for us, we pray...

(silent time for your reflection and personal confessions)

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Word & Wonder – A Time for the Young & the Young at Heart

Scripture Lesson 1 Peter 3:13-22 [NT, p. 119](#)

Sermon The Hope That Is In Y'all Rev. Valerie Burton

***Hymn 353** *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* Solid Rock

***Affirmation of Faith** (Responsive) A Brief Statement of Faith
We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. (continued)

***Affirmation of Faith** (continued)
 In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
 In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer
 As we pray together the prayer Christ taught us:
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

***Hymn 765** *May the God of Hope Go with Us* Argentina

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* Runyon/arr. White

*You are invited to stand in body or spirit as you are comfortable doing so.

No Worship Leader This Week: Danielle DeBraccio
Worship Leader Next Week: Lareeta Ashton



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What's Happening at Hope?

Pulpit Swap: TODAY we welcome Rev. Valerie Burton, Pastor of Weatherly Heights Baptist Church to our pulpit as part of our annual pulpit swap, while Pastor Christie preaches at Weatherly Heights. Join us as we celebrate our connection in Christ with other congregations.

Equality March (formerly known as the Pride Parade): Next Sunday, June 7, we will have a table along the Equality March parade route to hand out water and candy as we share God's love with our community. Donations of (non-chocolate) individually wrapped candy can be placed in the wooden box in the entry. If you would like to join us at the table during the parade or have questions, please see Peter Loveman for details.

Church Calendar at a Glance

May 31	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Sunday School Worship - Pulpit Swap w/ WHBC Choir Practice Session Meeting
June 7	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Sunday School Worship - Pentecost Sunday Choir Practice Equality March

The Elder on Call for May is Travis Williams. He may be contacted at any time for information, emergencies, or concerns at **205-533-4145**.

The Elder on Call for June is Angie Wester. She may be contacted at any time for information, emergencies, or concerns at **256-426-9564**.

Prayer Concerns

Members:
 Debbie Adsit
 Traci Loveman
 Holly Lowe
 Luanne Biles
 Andy Young
 Shelby Albert

Family:
 Jimmy Marshall (Peter Loveman)
 Kelley Waldron (Christie Ashton)
 Lys Howdle (Susan Terry)
 Parker Lord (Candy & Bob Lord)
 Marcia Loveman (Peter Loveman)
 Fred Jones (Bill Jones)

Friends:
 Tracy Fletcher
 Luke & Crystal Allen (Joanna Sterling-Clutts)
 Barbara Dennis
 Emily Loeb (Debbie Adsit)
 Suzanne Minga (Traci Loveman)
 Dr. Jon Wongsurawat (Traci Loveman)
 Bob Harriger (Joanna Sterling-Clutts)
 Melissa Altice (Angie Toles)
 Mary Neikirk (Angie Toles)

Those serving in our military.
Those affected by natural disasters and war around the world.

Prayer Family of the Week:
 Our prayer family of the week is **Katie Graham and Ethan Bulcher**. This week we ask the congregation to remember Katie, Ethan, and their family, asking God to strengthen and bless them.