

# Walnut Hills Baptist Church

## The Worship of God

March 8, 2026 10:30 AM

### PREPARING TO MEET GOD

#### Chiming of the Hour

Organ

#### Welcome

Rev. Dr. Jim Hunter

Mission Moment

Wilma Roark

#### Call to Worship

Rev. Graham Cheek

Leader: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation!

**People:** *Thanks be to God for such great mercy.*

Leader: Everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

**People:** *Thanks be to God for new beginnings!*

Leader: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation through Christ Jesus.

**People:** *Together we will make a new beginning in Christ!*

Leader: Let us worship God with joyful hearts, trusting God to renew us and all things.

**People:** *We will lift our praises to God with hearts refreshed by grace.*

### PRAISING GOD

**\*Doxology** *"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"* Congregation

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

#### Prayer of Invocation

Rev. Graham Cheek

#### \*Praise Hymn 208

*"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

### RESPONDING TO GOD

#### Scripture Lesson

Ezekiel 36:24-28

Glenda Wade, Worship Lector

### Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Glenda Wade, Worship Lector

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### \*Hymn 15

*"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

*(Children's Worship Dismissal)*

#### Anthem

*"In the Calm"*

Choir

#### Sermon

*"If Only"* (2 Corinthians 5:16-21)

Dr. Hunter

#### Instrumental Reflection

Beverly Holmes, Church Pianist

### COMMITTING TO GOD

#### Invitation

Dr. Hunter

**\*Commitment Hymn 277** *"Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated"*

#### Prayer of Dedication

Rev. John Thompson

**Offertory** *"Lenten Meditation"*

Pat Bullock, Church Organist

### WALKING WITH GOD

#### \*Benediction

Rev. Thompson

**Postlude** *"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"* Pat Bullock, Church Organist

*\*Please stand if able.*

*The floral arrangement is from Gary & Sylvia Rast in honor of their  
65th wedding anniversary, March 4th.*

**Jim Hunter - Senior Pastor / John Thompson - Minister of Music  
Graham Cheek - Minister of Youth & Children / Jerry Haywood - Pastor Emeritus  
Beverly Holmes - Pianist / Pat Bullock - Organist**

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**Tuesdays, after Lunch at Noon**

Please contact the church office if you plan to attend the upcoming Lenten Lunch by the prior Thursday.  
**Info@whbconline.org**  
**757-220-5900**

***This Week's Activities:***

Sun	9:15 AM	Sunday Bible Study/Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship
	11:30 AM	Coffee Connection, Hospitality Center
	11:45 AM	Acteens, Jane's GAs, & RAs meeting in the Learning Center
	1-3:00 PM	GriefShare Support Group meeting, Hospitality Center
	5-6:30 PM	Children's Choir, Hospitality Center
	5-7:00 PM	Youth Connect, Youth Center
Tue	9:30 AM	Women at the Well's study, <i>The Way of the Chosen</i>
	10:00 AM	Annette Hall WOM group meeting at Linda Shaver's home
	Noon	Lenten Lunch & Study, Hospitality Center ( <i>make reservation</i> )
	1:30 PM	Helping Hands WOM group meet in the Library
	5:00 PM	Handbell rehearsal
	6:00 PM	Church Council meeting, Agape classroom
	6:55 PM	Women's Bible Study Fellowship, Choir room & Library
Wed	6:55 PM	Men's Bible Study Fellowship, lower level rooms B2 & B3
	9:00 AM	Pete Fowler Men's Prayer mtg, Agape classroom
	10:30 AM	Women's Bible Study, <i>Luke</i> , by Zoom
	4:30-6 PM	TeamKID, Youth Center
	5:30 PM	Wednesday evening supper, <i>see below</i>
	6:15 PM	Wednesday evening study, <i>Entering the Passion of Jesus</i>
	6:45 PM	Adult Choir rehearsal (Ensemble, 6:30)
Thu	9:30-11 AM	Thursday Coffee Connection at Panera Bread, New Town
	7:00 PM	Hearts & Prayers (Women on Mission) by Zoom

Week of 3/1/2026: Worship— 274 (kids—12), Adult Bible Study— 93;  
 Weekly Studies— 55, Youth Connect—9, Children's Choir—16 , TeamKID— 20

**SUPPER RESERVATION—March 11 @ 5:30pm (\$10 per plate)**

**Menu:** Sal's Meat Lasagna, Garlic Knots & Bread, Salad, Fruit, Dessert, Coffee, Tea, Water

**Supper Reservations:** [info@whbconline.org](mailto:info@whbconline.org) / 757-220-5900 by noon each Tuesday

I / We will attend \_\_\_\_\_ (Tear Off, place in offering plate)



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