

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Gathering of God's People

Welcome

***Passing of the Peace**

Prelude

Call to Worship

When the Lord seems far away,
 may we place our faith in God.
When God's face is hidden from us,
 may we put our trust in God's steadfast love.
When our souls bear the pain of earthly trials,
 may we seek God's strength, lest we break.
Let us place our trust in God's goodness and mercy.
 Our hearts rejoice in God's salvation.

Opening Prayer

***Hymn of Praise**

Living for Jesus

FWS 2149

***Affirmation of Faith**

UMH 885

Where the spirit of the Lord is,
there is the one true church, apostolic and universal,
whose holy faith we now declare:

We believe in God the Father,

**infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works,
and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.**

We believe in Jesus Christ,

**Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the father's unfailling grace,
the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit

**as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance
of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.**

We believe that this faith should manifest itself

**in the service of love as set forth in the example
of our blessed Lord, to the end that the
kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.**

***Gloria Patri**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology**

*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.*

Children's Sermon

Proclamation of the Word

Anthem

Chancel Choir

Gospel Lesson

John 14:15

Matthew 22:36-44

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Gary Harrison

Response to God's Word

***Hymn of Invitation and Dedication**

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

FWS 2129

***Benediction**

Even when the Lord seems far away
and our faith is sorely tested,

We will put our trust in God's steadfast love.

Even when our souls bear the pain of earthly trials
and our strengths seem to slip away,

we will trust God's goodness and mercy.

Even when we question God's presence in our lives
and our hearts feel heavy with fear,

we go forth as those sanctified with eternal life.

Go with God.

***Congregational Choral Response**

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.

May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.

In all your living and through your loving,

Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

***Postlude**

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Liturgist: Rebecca Roark

We welcome Rev. Gary Harrison to the pulpit. Gary grew up in Camden and in this church. He felt the call to ministry from our church and entered the process to be an Ordained Elder in the 1980s. He has served numerous appointments, primarily in South Arkansas. We are delighted to welcome him back home today.

**Prayers for...**

*the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Gaza.  
our men and women serving in harm's way.  
neighbors served by our ministries  
Rev. Ryan Bachuss, Lyndsey, and Emerson  
churches in transition*

**our church family...** Ed & Bonnie House,  
Rhonda Shirey, Dot Everett, Wanda Shambley, Verna Riley,  
Fred Dietrich, Brenda Grimes, Joe Hirsch, Ron Randolph,  
Neelie Dobbins, Sue Gregory, Bill Gibbs, Joan Coffey,  
Mari Weidmann Sutterfield, Tina Freeman,  
Dick & Joann Newcomb

**hospice...** Ray Ellen

**extended family...** Bobby Clayborn, Charlie Atkins,  
Greg Nettles, Jay Williams, Robyn Yarbrow, Willie Gibson,  
Elizabeth Rowlett, Anita Walker, James Louviere

**homebound or assisted living ...**Joyce Mann,  
Danny Barnes, Sarah Shirey, Ruth Dempsey, Pat Beasley,  
Ann Ellen, Fay Kendrick

**South District Prayer Partner...**Sulphur Springs UMC

**Camden First United Methodist Church Staff**

Pastor.....Rev. Ryan Bachuss  
Administrator.....Erin McAllister  
Choir Director/Organist.....Cynthia Outlaw  
Director of Missions.....Tate Wunnenburg  
Director of Preschool.....Jill Daugherty

**This Week at Church**

**Sunday, June 28, 2026**

9:00am Worship Broadcast on FM 97.1  
9:30am Sunday School  
10:30am Worship  
6:00pm Youth

**Monday, June 29, 2026**

9:00am Food Pantry  
11:00am Strong Women  
2:30pm Great Hall Doors open  
5:00pm Sue's Table

**Tuesday, June 30, 2026**

9:00am Food Pantry

**Wednesday, July 1, 2026**

11:00am Strong Women  
Arkansas Foodbank Delivery  
7:00pm Choir Practice

**Friday, July 3, 2026**

9:00am Food Pantry  
11:00am Strong Women

**The full worship service is broadcast on FM 97.1 on  
Sunday mornings at 9:00am. The Worship Service  
is available on our YouTube channel -  
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***Fifth Sunday after Pentecost***

**June 28, 2026**

***Following Jesus  
Loving People  
Sharing Grace***