



THE FAIRVIEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH VISITOR

Upcoming Events

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May 01, 2024

- May 01—Lions Den (FL); Bears Den (FH)
- May 02—Sanctuary Res. (George G.); North Star District Meetings (FH, FL, Conf. Room, Cornerstone)
- May 04—FH & K Res. (Sandra Y.)
- May 05—Sunday School; Worship; Koffee Klatch; Bears Class (FH)
- May 06—Troop 354 Scouts Mtg. (FH, Cornerstone & FL)
- May 07—Grief Group (Conf. Room); Crew (B); Tigers Den (FL); Wolf & Webelos Dens (FH)
- May 08—Bears Den (FH)
- May 09—Classic Crowd (FH); Cub Committee Mtg. (Conf. Room)
- May 11—CMF Breakfast (FH)
- May 12—*Mother's Day*; Sunday School; Worship—Youth Led; Koffee Klatch; Bears Class (FH)
- May 13—FCC Exec. Board Mtg. (Chapel); Troop 354 Scouts Mtg. (FH, Cornerstone & FL); FCC General Board Mtg. (Conf. Room)

At this time we'd like to take this opportunity to welcome Fairview's newest member ... Bonnie M. who joined Fairview this past Sunday, April 28th.

We will share a picture of Bonnie as it becomes available.

Welcome Bonnie !



Fairview Beloved,

If you close your eyes for two minutes and listen to what is around you - what do you hear? I hear the faint sound of Kathy's music in the other office. I hear the traffic down the road on Antioch. I hear the slight roar of a plane overhead. I hear someone mowing their lawn in the distance, the tapping of fingers on a keyboard, with all of it wrapped in a background of silence. Noise disrupts the silence, but it's always there with these interruptions - birds chirping, air conditioners blowing....but in the background, nothingness.

Buddhists meditate to transcend the disruption. They spend minutes to hours a day trying to overcome the disruption of the world, of the earth, of the things around them. Meditating to transcend suffering, pressure.....they float above into the background silence....it takes practice and dedication to the art of it all. I could never be a Buddhist.

The disruption and the noise is, for me, where God is. In the daily rhythms of life and the random orchestra of life around me. God is present in the here and in the now. In the music and the travel of those in planes. In the creativity and work of a keyboard and the care of the earth on a lawn mower. For me, God is in relationship. Relationship with others and relationship with the earth.

For others, God is in the silence and in the outside of what wraps all of this chaos up. God speaks to us in different ways because we are different people. One is not better than the other or more right. They both just are because we all just are.

Somehow it has gotten lost that it's ok for both to be right. It is okay for you to do one thing and me another. It isn't a competition.....it's a rhythm. It's the rhythm of our souls and how God's music plays to each of our hearts. Both are right.

The next time you find yourself feeling the absolute need to be right, ask why and then think about how both could be right.

In Christ's Peace, Rev. Jill



Sunday Services

10:00 a.m.
Worship Service
In-Person & Online

Senior Minister
Rev. Jill S.

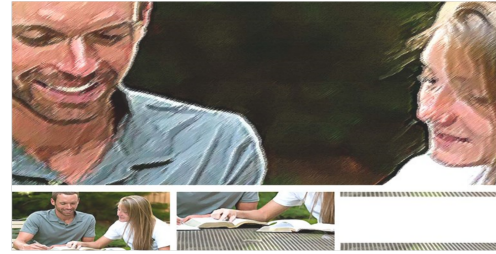
DATE CHANGE FOR MAY 2024

Fairview's CMF Breakfast WILL BE SATURDAY, MAY 11TH starting at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Everyone is welcomed! Questions, contact Tom S.

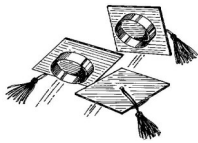


Sharing the Good News of God's Love through
Faith, Worship, Service and Community



Interested in a 6-week study led by Rev. Jill on
Spirituality and Aging?

Let Rev. Jill know by text or email
Or...call the office.



If you, or a family member has a graduation coming up, Fairview would like to know.

Please feel free to fill out one of the 2024 graduate forms that can be found on the Welcome Table in the Narthex & drop the form off in the office... Or... email Kathy S. at office@fairviewcc.org

(Please provide the above information by Tuesday, May 21st.)



Fairview's Classic Crowd

Thursday, May 9th
11:30 a.m.; Fellowship Hall

Meal will be chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, salad & dessert.

Our entertainment will be Marlin C. with his Saxophone Music Show.

You get all of the above for the price of \$5 per person.

Sundays, May 12 & 19, 2024

When it comes to church, we have a lot of negative tapes playing in our heads:

- "Church is judgmental."
- "Church is hypocritical."
- "They think they're better than everyone else."



It's time for restoration. Time to rewind the tape.

Your gifts to the 2024 Pentecost Offering, are divided equally between your regional ministry, which supports local new churches, and New Church Ministry, which trains, equips, and assists emerging leaders to be "movement initiators."

Community Service Hours

An 8th grader from Antioch Middle School recently stopped by the office as she walked home from school. She was wondering if Fairview had any opportunities for Community Service Hours (part of the NKC School District A+ program).



Fairview Leadership, chair people, team leads — if you know of any opportunities here at Fairview for her to earn some community service hours, please reach out to Kathy S. in the office as Kathy has the student's contact information.



It is about that time of year when we need to start weeding the churches flowerbeds. If you would be willing to help please call Barbara M.

In the past each person has a turn about every 4 or 5 weeks. Less if more people volunteer to help.



May 13, 2024 Board Meeting

General Board meeting will be at 7 p.m., Conference Room.
The Executive Board, 6:30 p.m., Chapel.

Please provide a written report to me (Kathy S.) **NO LATER** than Wed., May 8th.

If you know of any items that will require board action, please let me know **NO LATER** than Wed., May 8th. Also, please be sure that you have discussed it with board chair Tom Salisbury prior to sending it to me.

Thank you to Nancy of the Missions Team, she has already submitted their May report!.



Fairview's Grief Group Meeting

Tuesday, May 7th at 10 a.m.
Conference Room

The Fairview's Missions Team would like to continue updating the congregation of Charity donations by newsletter.



The donations, as listed in the Board report are:

- Della Lamb Center
- Disciples Mission Fund
- Life Unlimited Liberty
- Love Inc of Clay County
- Metropolitan Lutheran Ministries
- Micah Ministry
- Northland Clothing Center
- Northland Shepherds Center
- Safe Haven Domestic Violence Center
- Tall Oaks Camp & Conference Center

All the Red Box donations were sent in total to MLM.

Thank you,
Nancy C., Missions Team Chair



I have a piano at my home that was gifted to me from a former church member and I would like to pay it forward by gifting it to a current church-goer that needs a piano. It is a Cable spinet medium brown in color with a bench and in good condition.

If you are interested, please contact the church office before May 15th.

Thanks, Stacey H.

Summer is a great time to visit! You can text, email, or call Rev. Jill if you're up for visiting or desire a call from her. She's more than willing to spend time with you!



Or if you want to stop by church, let her know and she'll be happy to visit with you in her office as well. Summer is a great time to visit!

BIRTHDAYS



MAY: (04) Margaret C.;
(05) Sarah M.; **(12)** Sandra S.;
(14) Jean V., Addison B.

ANNIVERSARIES

MAY: (01) Landis & Shelley L.

**FCC MAY SERVING SCHEDULE
Worship Services**

The following are scheduled to be serving elders:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TABLE DUTY & 1st Concerned</u>	<u>TABLE GREETING & 2nd Concerned</u>
May 05	Bill R.	Sarah M.
May 12	Sandy A.	Tom S.
May 19	Sandy A.	Tom S.
May 26	Wanda P.	Clarke N.
May 05 WL	Joy G.	

The listing of scheduled deacons is as follows:

May 05 & May 12:

Joyce T. (Duty); Carolyn V. (Asst. Duty); Gary B.; Jason F.; Chet G.; Andrea T.; Jean V.

May 19 & May 26:

Dick D. (Duty); Gary L. (Asst. Duty); Peggy N.; Mark O.; Myrna G.; Mel O.; Nancy C.

Koffee Klatch

May 05 Cornerstone Class

May 12 open

May 19 Sarah Mc. & Mira S.

May 26 & beyond—VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

OUR RECORD
Sunday April 28, 2024

Sun. School Attendance	11
Worship Attendance	73
Visitors	9
New Members 2024	3



Summer Fun In the Garden!

A program for Youth Ages 9-13

Equal Opportunity/ADA Institution

Dates: Every Monday and Thursday beginning **June 3, 2024** ending August 12th. (20 sessions)

Time: 9:00-11:00 AM

Location: Gladstone - Fairview Christian Church, 1800 NE 65th Street, Gladstone, MO 64118

There will be a \$50 charge for supplies, payable at registration. NO Walk-ins.

Register online: <https://extension.missouri.edu/events/garden-n-grow-kansas-city-clay-county-0>

Or scan the qr code that can be found on the flyers on Fairview's bulletin boards.

Additional Information:

The Garden 'N Grow Program is sponsored and conducted by University of Missouri Extension Master Gardeners of Greater Kansas City. This educational program blends positive youth development and academic learning with horticulture training.

Students will plan, plant, and maintain garden plots, guided by trained Extension Master Gardeners.

Contact mggkc.



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