



Upcoming Events

Dec. 22—Pack 354 Webelos (FL)

Dec. 23—Office Closes Early; Pack 354 Wolves (FL)

Dec. 24—Christmas Eve; Office Closed; Christmas Eve Concert; Christmas Eve Service

Dec. 25—Christmas Day

Dec. 26—Sunday School; FCC In-Person & Online Worship Service; Koffee Klatch (FH); Ethiopian Christian Fellowship in Missouri (Sanctuary)

Dec. 27—Office Closed; Monday Morning Men (FH); Boy Scouts

Dec. 28—Chapel Res. (S.M.); 4-H Group (FH); Pack 354 AOLs (FL)

Dec. 29—Pack 354 Webelos (FL)

Dec. 30—Office Closes Early; Pack 354 Wolves (FL)

Dec. 31—New Year's Eve; Office Closed

Jan. 01—New Year's Day

Jan. 02—Sunday School; FCC In-Person & Online Worship Service; Koffee Klatch (FH); Ethiopian Christian Fellowship in Missouri (Sanctuary)



Sunday Services

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

Senior Minister
Rev. Jill S.

THE FAIRVIEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH VISITOR

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Friday, December 24 —Christmas Eve at Fairview

5:30 p.m. Concert of Christmas Music

6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service

Fairview Beloved,

Merry Christmas! As I sit here this week preparing for worship for Christmas Eve and the day after Christmas, my heart is so full and my eyes are filling with tears. It dawned on me that it's been three years since I've planned a Christmas Eve service and of course, last year, none of us could even go to a Christmas Eve service. I am imagining being with all of you on Christmas Eve, this congregation that I've grown so deeply fond of. I am imagining seeing your faces lit by candlelight and the warmth that radiates from your hearts. I am filled with blessing and filled with love.

Christmas Eve service has always been my favorite service to plan and to lead, but most of it has to do with the message of light - light in the darkness. While this isn't about me at all, it is about Christ, I cannot help but remember those dark years of not being a pastor, of not following the direction or the "star" for my life. I think this year is so important because I've reclaimed my call, but also because every time I walk into this church I just feel love. I feel love for you, I feel your love for me, and I feel OUR love for God.

This Christmas Eve isn't about telling the world the Good News....we will save that for next week! This Christmas Eve is about reclaiming our home in God, basking in the love shared between family and friends, and relishing in being a part of a church that knows the Good News and lives the Good News every single day.

I want to wish each and every one of you a very happy and Merry Christmas. I hope for each of you to feel this love in your heart - God's love for you, my love for you, and your love for others. May Jesus come into your heart once again and remind you that in God, you are always home.

In Christ's Peace, Rev. Jill



December Contributions

Are you running behind on your pledge or do you plan to make charitable donations during December? Please, remember that Fairview relies upon your generous contributions, especially during December.

If you plan to drop off contributions before the end of 2021, please call to see if someone is in the office, or simply drop it in Fairview's mailbox (the black box on the brick wall right outside the front office door).

All donations must be received by
Thursday, Dec. 30th at 1 p.m. or mailed with a postmark date prior to Jan. 1, 2022 to count toward your 2021 pledge & be deductible on your 2021 income tax returns.

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



As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we are taking a special offering for Week of Compassion to help with disaster/storm relief in the Kentucky area and neighboring states. Above is the picture of the First Christian Church in Mayfield, KY.

Your giving will go to aid in rebuilding homes, churches, temporary housing, food, water, clothing and what was lost in the devastation for families in that area. Envelopes for Week of Compassion will be available in the Narthex on Sunday. Please make checks to Fairview and designate Week of Compassion in the memo section and it would be also helpful to use a special Week of Compassion envelope.

Here is a link to read about Week of Compassion in regards to this specific disaster:

<https://www.weekofcompassion.org/stories/after-the-storm-an-update-and-a-prayer-following-tornado-outbreak>

Thank you for giving to this important relief effort!



Large Print—Our Daily Breads Still Available

The booklets that are for January, February and March. You can find the new booklets in the Narthex area or on the small table down by the Chapel.

Free copies while they last.



Today's newsletter you are receiving is the last one for 2021.

First newsletter for 2022 will be Wed., Jan. 5th.

Deadline for articles for that newsletter will be Monday, Jan. 3rd.



Fairview Holiday Office Hours

Following are the office holiday hours that the office will be closed:

- Thursday, Dec. 23rd, the office will close at 1 p.m.
- Friday, Dec. 24th, the office will be closed all day.
- Monday, Dec. 27th, the office will be closed all day.
- Thursday, Dec. 30th, the office will close at 1 p.m.
- Friday, Dec. 31st, the office will be closed all day.

All other week days, call before coming up to the office to be sure someone is in.

Monday, Jan. 3rd regular office hours should resume.

To My Fairview Family,

I want to thank all who shared in my 90th birthday during last Sunday's Koffee Klatch.

It was a very special day for me to have both my family and my church family share this milestone in my life.

Sincerely, Janet T.



New Year.....New Opportunity

Koffee Klatch is filled for December but a new sign-up sheet has been posted for 2022. Please take a minute and see if you can host in the New Year.

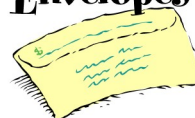
Also, a reminder.....a Fairview family continues to donate cookies for klatch. The cookies are located in the pantry in clearly marked boxes. Feel free to use.

—Membership

As of this newsletter the 2022 giving envelopes have not arrived yet. I will get them out ASAP when they arrive.

Until then continue using the same number you currently have.

Offering Envelopes



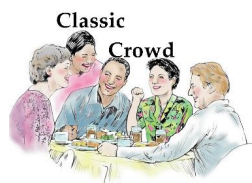
Please if you are using an offering envelope that is out of the pew or if you are using one that doesn't belong to you, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE write your name on the outside. I have had many this year that I have no way to identify the donor.

Chris H.

REMINDER

Classic Crowd does not meet in January.

Next gathering will be in February (meal will be ham & beans).

**January 2022 Board Meeting**

Fairview's first General Board meeting of the year will be **Mon., Jan. 10th** at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The new Executive Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room on the 10th.

Please have your reports to Kathy S. by close of business Tuesday, December 28th.

Kathy S. will email out the packets to the Board by the morning of Thursday, December 30th, (the office closes at 1 p.m. that day), allowing you time to review the materials.

If you know of any items that will require board action/vote please let Kathy S. know no later than Noon on Mon., Jan. 3rd. Also, please be sure that you have discussed it with 2022 board chair Dick D. prior to sending it to Kathy S.

FCC JANUARY SERVING SCHEDULE**Worship Services**

The following are scheduled to be serving elders:

Table 1:	Joy G.
Table 2:	Pat D.
1 st Concerned:	Susan A.
2 nd Concerned:	Bob B.

Worship Leader for Jan. 02 Sandra Y.

**BIRTHDAYS**

DEC: (23) Jeri B.; (30) Susan A.; (31) Bob B., Brenda H.

JAN: (1) Phyllis C., (2) Norma L.; (3) Etta M.; (5) Jacob F.; (8) Jean L.; (11) Bess D.

ANNIVERSARIES

DEC.: (27) Clyde & Garla B.; (28) Ed & Lynn C., Mike & Sandy O.

FCC DECEMBER SERVING SCHEDULE**Worship Services**

The following are scheduled to be serving elders:

Table 1:	Susan A.
Table 2:	Bill R.
1 st Concerned:	Kathy H.
2 nd Concerned:	Pat D.

Worship Leader for Dec. 26th Bob B.



Contributions Report

Monthly and year-to-date offerings will be reported at the end of each month

**Friday Fellowship**

Note the time -**Friday Fellowship this Friday, 12/24**, join other Fairviewers at **1:00pm** at the Liberty Pizza Shoppe. As always, ALL are welcome.

OUR RECORD**Sunday December 19, 2021**

Sun. School Attendance	33
Worship Attendance	95
Visitors	12
New Members 2021	3



Recently we have had some children in church and are needing to have the nursery available when that happens. I would like to put together a list of church members who would be willing to assist in the nursery, should the need arise.

If you would be willing to provide assistance with this endeavor, please let the Church Office know. We will put together a list to reference when families wish to use the nursery.

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