



THE FAIRVIEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH VISITOR

Upcoming Events

Feb. 13—Bells Practice; Boy Scouts Committee Mtg. (Family Life); G.A.P. (FH); Choir Practice

Feb. 14—Valentine's Day; Classic Crowd (FH)

Feb. 15—G.S. Troop 116 (Family Life)

Feb. 16—4-H Gathering (Family Life); Chapel Res. (C.A.)

Feb. 17—Week of Compassion; Worship; Koffee Klatch; Mom's Demand (FH)

Feb. 18—President's Day; Monday Morning Men (FH); Mats Project (Family Life); Book Club; Rotary Board Mtg. (Cornerstone); Church Growth Mtg.

Feb. 19—Rotary (FH); Cub Scouts (FH); Faith In Him; Boy Scouts (Family Life)

Feb. 20—P.E.O. Mtg. (Chapel); Bells Practice; G.S. Troop 1191 (Cornerstone); G.A.P. (FH); Choir Practice

Feb. 21—Northaven Group 2 (Chapel); Fairview Connect Gathering (FH)

Feb. 23—Chapel Res. (C.A.); Cub Scouts Blue & Gold (Banquet & Crossover)

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Greetings from Missions!

I would like to give you a comprehensive report on what we did during 2018.

There are many of you involved in mission in so many ways.

Thank you for the time you spend at the Clothes Closet, tutoring, volunteering in community organizations and the hours spent here at the church working on things. I am going to do my report in two parts.

This first part centers on the non-monetary things. In addition to hours spent, we also maintain a food mission. Because we do not have the resources to operate our own food pantry, we team up with MLM, Metropolitan Lutheran Ministry on Vivion Road and supply them with boxes of food each week. They have the computer network to vet the people asking for food to be sure they qualify and have not received recent food donations from other places. Our own Marcella Pollard worked with them for years and that is how we got started donating to them. We also participated in Festival of Sharing for many years and instead of transporting food boxes to Sedalia each year we kept track of them and took them to MLM locally. Festival of Sharing gave us our original guideline on what to put in the boxes and how to value them. Our valuation is based on the last one we had in 2017 but groceries are not that much more expensive. The items we buy have gone up some but not drastically, so the estimated value is close.

For the first half of the year we packed 4 boxes for a family of 4 and 3 boxes for a family of 1 or 2 persons. The second half of the year we had to reduce it to 3 large boxes and 2 small boxes each week. From time to time we boxed up miscellaneous items and estimated their value at \$25 a box. Each standard box contains mac and cheese, peanut butter, tuna, chicken, pasta, pasta sauce in the can, fruit, vegetables. Everything else goes in a misc. box. Large boxes are valued at \$50 and small \$25 so \$275 for 26 weeks = \$7150 and \$200 for 26 weeks=\$5200 for a total of \$12,350 and about \$350 in miscellaneous items. Some of the food appears on the shelf each week and some we buy with money given in the red box. Some we supplement from the Mission budget for items we need to "fill in" and some of the food items were purchased last year from the Wally White Memorial. We began the year with \$762.87 left in that fund and spent \$944.56 throughout the year. The difference in funds reflect donations made directly to the Wally White fund during 2018.

Of course, we greatly appreciate all the food items you bring with you to church to put on the shelf. They all add up and we only need to spend Mission funds to supplement what you bring. MLM is always very grateful when we bring our boxes weekly. They have told me on more than one occasion that we are the last church in the area to consistently bring food each week. We can be warmed by the thought that what you are contributing helps people right here in our area.

During 2018 we heard a presentation from Della Lamb. We did a field trip to Della Lamb and also a new organization called Meet the Need to check them out. We try to visit organizations we support to be sure they are still there and continuing to serve people in need.

Next newsletter, Missions part two I will detail the money spent. We were budgeted \$1705.83 per month (\$20,469.96) and we spent \$19,527.99. I will tell you how much and where and also post a full list on the Mission bulletin board. I am in the process of designing a new look for the bulletin board now.

Thank you letters from groups we sent money to are there on a hook on the left side.

Until next week! Kathy C., Missions Chair



Sunday Services

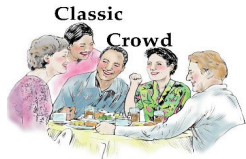
8:30 a.m.
Intercessory Prayer

9:00 a.m.
Sunday School

10:00 a.m.
Worship Service

Co-Pastors
Kassie & Travis

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



Classic Crowd
Thurs., Feb. 14th; 11:30 a.m.
Fairview—Fellowship Hall

We will be having ham & beans along with all of the wonderful potluck dishes that you bring to share.

Entertainment will be, the MoKan Reunion Band featuring fabulous 50's music !

Fairview Phone Tree

We are in the process of updating the Fairview Phone Tree.



The phone tree is activated in situations in which a member may need to receive information before their newsletter arrives by mail. An example would be a death and the time and place of the funeral.

We are asking all interested members to contact us, even if you feel you are presently on the list. Your call will continue or start this service.

So, if you do not have an e-mail address on file in the church office and would like to be notified of time-sensitive information by phone, please call Sandy A. or the church office at 452-2829.

Thank you, Membership



Stewardship

At the General Board meeting on Jan. 14, 2019, the Board voted to allow the expenditure of funds to purchase an updated mower as our mower was in the shop again as happens as equipment begins to age.

With our members mowing, we have saved thousands of dollars each mowing season. In fact, the cost of this new mower will still save us about \$2000 in one season over hiring the mowing done by a lawn service.

The budget does not have the money to pay for the mower, but as it is needed and will save us money, we must pull the money from one of our Restricted Funds. Our plea, therefore, is for **over and above giving** to pay at least part of the cost of the \$6000+ mower.

Can you help?

Thank you for prayerfully thinking about this.
Your Stewardship Department



SANCTUARY HANDICAP SEATING

With the positive response to our recent sanctuary enhancement, our handicap pew arrangement has been greatly appreciated and utilized regularly.

Notably those pews designated for wheelchairs and walkers are being honored by the congregation. However, it would be helpful if the seating adjacent to the person be reserved for family or caretakers.

Your support in this will be appreciated.
Maurice T., Worship Chairman

Cleaning Volunteers Needed
Thursday, Feb. 21st
9:30 a.m.



Bring your favorite cleaning supplies, or we will furnish some for you, as we clean the kitchen.

If we get enough volunteers to help, after we clean the kitchen we will work on the pantry.

The more the merrier!
Your help will be appreciated! – CWF



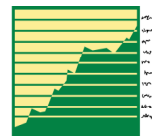
Thurs., Feb. 21st—6 pm
Discussion & Dinner

Come and enjoy some fellowship and opportunities to grow in community & continue our discussions of Jesus' Parables.

Please bring a side or dessert to share.
Invite friends & neighbors!

Fairview 2018
Giving Statements

Now available for pickup.



Annual Giving Statements

The 2018 giving statements can be found on the table outside of the Fellowship Hall & beneath the main bulletin board.

If you are expecting, & don't find a 2018 giving statement, let the office or Chris H. know.



DIACONATE 2019 MANUALS

If you have volunteered to be on the Diaconate for 2019, manuals have been printed.

You can pick up your manual in the church office.



WEEK OF COMPASSION OFFERING

This offering will be taken Sundays Feb. 17th and 24th.

Can you imagine?

We sometimes think that “imagination” means something escapist or illusory.

Yet, imagination, is not something unreal or fake. No, it is essential to God’s hope for creation. And God imagines a world where all are safe, all are loved, all are fed.

Can you imagine these things?

Through your gifts to Week of Compassion what we can imagine becomes ever more a reality for more and more people.



SUPPLIES FOR FCC FOOD BOXES

(Located on the metal shelving in the Fellowship Hall)

If you would like to make a donation towards Fairview’s Food Boxes, the following items are what is needed when we deliver boxes to MLM:

Canned Fruit or Vegetables;
Canned Tuna; Mac & Cheese;
Large cans of Chicken (12.5 oz per can);
Jars of Peanut Butter (please no glass jars);
Pasta; Canned Pasta Sauce (please no glass jars)

Another way you can help is if you have some spare change, you can just drop it in the red donation box that is attached to the shelving that the items are stored in the Fellowship Hall.

Thanks for your support!



Please look at your envelopes for 2019, we have a missing box.



Number 18 has been mistakenly removed from the table, please double check at home to verify that you have the correct box.

Let the office or Chris H. know if you find it or if you have it and were going to deliver it to the owner of it.

Thank you.

*****PLEASE NOTE SLIGHT CHANGE*****

In case of inclement winter weather during the week, Fairview’s policy is to follow the schedule for the North Kansas City School District.



Should the winter weather conditions notate for NKC School District to be closed, then our office will also be closed.

Please note, should weather dictate that we need to be closed **for evening meetings or for any Saturday activities**,

please watch your local TV news stations for church closures. Those 4 major local TV news stations are:

KMBC TV9/KCWE 29; FOX4 (WDAF TV4); KCTV 5 and KSHB (NBC Action News, Channel 41)

Please note for a Sunday Worship or any Sunday activity, should weather dictate that we need to cancel, we discovered the following 2 local news stations are the only ones displaying church closing on Sundays:

KMBC TV9 and KSHB (NBC Action News, Channel 41)

We also try to send out emails & update our social media reflecting any closing we may have due to inclement weather.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.



LITERACY NIGHT

Thursday, March 14th
5:30 p.m. — 7 p.m.

Fairview Christian Church Fellowship Hall

Once again, Fairview will be helping to build books shelves & helping to distribute them on March 14th.

We will be having a **Build Day on Sun., March 10th** from 1—5 p.m. at Fairview.

If you would like more information, or volunteer to help with Build Day and/or Literacy Night, please let Pastor Travis know.

General Assembly 2019
July 20-24
Des Moines, IA

Early bird discounted
registration deadline –
March 31, 2019



Abide in Me (disciples.org/ga)