



# THE FAIRVIEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH VISITOR

## Upcoming Events

**Jan. 30**—Bells Practice; G.A.P. (FH); Choir Practice

**Jan. 31**—Northland Clergy Mtg. (Conf. Room); Webelo's 'Duty to God' workshop (Family Life)

**Feb. 1**—FH Reserved (Book Sale Setup)

**Feb. 2**—Annual Priscilla Book Sale (FH); Chapel Res. (C.A.)

**Feb. 3**—Scout Sunday; Pancake Breakfast (FH); Worship; Koffee Klatch (Breakfast continued)

**Feb. 4**—Monday Morning Men (FH); Mats Project (Family Life); Micah Ministry; Elders Mtg. (Conf. Room)

**Feb. 5**—Rotary (FH); Cubs (FH); Faith In Him; Boy Scouts (Family Life)

**Feb. 6**—Bells Practice; G.S. Troop 1191 (Cornerstone); G.A.P. (FH); Choir Practice

**Feb. 7**—Webelo's 'Duty to God' Workshop (Family Life); Fairview Gathering (FH)

**Feb. 8**—FH Res. (CMF, brunch setup)

**Feb. 9**—CMF Annual Valentine Brunch (FH); Chapel Res. (C.A.); Aquarium Club Mtg. (FH)

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I don't know about you, but I grew up hearing the phrase "actions speak louder than words" a lot. When I'd get in trouble and apologize, my parents would say that to me, encouraging me to show them how I was going to do better and how they could trust me to make good decisions again.

I think, in a lot of ways, "actions speak louder than words" when it comes to loving people. Lucy's been learning how to say "I love you" and it delights me to hear her say it back to me when I tell her I love her.

But she and I show each other many times a day how much we love each other -- it far outnumbers the amount of times we say it in a day. Hugs, caring for her needs, talking to each other, when she shares her toys with me... these are all ways we show each other we love each other.

Lucy's learning how to love well. The other night at youth group, I was crouched down talking to a child who was feeling shy and upset and wasn't sure about playing the group game. Lucy came over and sat next to this child and jabbered in a soft, soothing tone, and patted the child's head. And it made this kid and me laugh. But I was also so proud of her.

We learn to love through actions. We love by taking care of each other, making sure everyone feels included. Words of care and love mean nothing if they're not backed up by action.

As we enter into February, a month when we celebrate love, I encourage you to read again 1 Corinthians 13. No matter how well you think you know it, read it again and be challenged by the words that help us to know how to show love.

Let's love each other well. Not just in words, but in action. —Pastor Kassie

**Priscilla Used Book Sale**  
**Saturday, Feb. 2nd—FCC Fellowship Hall**  
**8 a.m. — 3 p.m.**



**Sunday, February 3rd**  
**National Boy Scout Sunday**

The Cub Scouts will be in attendance & also offering a pancake breakfast starting at 8:30 a.m. & after worship during Koffee Klatch.

Cost—free will donation.

Be sure to come out & support our Cubs and Troop 155.



**Boy Scout Sunday**



**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**



### CMF Annual Valentine Brunch

Fairview's CMF are selling tickets on Sundays' during Koffee Klatch for their Annual Valentine Brunch.

The **Brunch will be** taking place on **Saturday, Feb. 9th** at 10:00 am. in the Fellowship Hall.

Cost will be \$5.00 per person.

Don't miss this once a year opportunity hosted by Fairview's CMF group.

Bring your friend, spouse or just come join us. **Everyone is invited!**

Any questions, please contact Tom S.

### February 7th—6 pm Discussion & Dinner



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

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

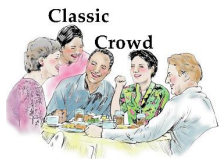


### Fairview 2018 Giving Statements

**Now available for pickup.**

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.



### Classic Crowd Thursday, February 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 !



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.

### DIACONATE 2019 MANUALS

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

There are 5 manuals left to be picked up. Your name is on your copy of the manual & can be found on the table outside of the Fellowship Hall.



### 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.



Monday, Feb. 4th Fairview will be helping to serve at Micah Ministries.

We can always use more volunteers.

We will meet at Fairview on Monday, Feb. 4th at 4:15 p.m.

Then we will leave by 4:30 p.m. to get there.



## General Board

UPDATE



### REPORT OF THE JANUARY 14 GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Following Meeting Highlights provided by Board Chair, Bob H.

2019 board chair Bob Howe presented an extensive "State of the Church" report. Included in his remarks were concerns about the trends of decreased financial support, reduction in membership, and worship attendance over the years. Likewise, he reviewed a lengthy list of positive programs and activities that prevail, providing unbounded opportunities for participation and service.

Reports of committees and departments were reviewed. A recommendation by the property department to purchase a new zero-turn lawn mower for \$6,950 was approved. Appealed for contributions by groups and individuals to offset the cost. The current mower is over ten years old and needs extensive repair. With our faithful lawn mowing crew, the estimated savings over a ten-year period is approximately \$77,000 as opposed to contracted mowing service.

The stewardship department recommended a budget for the 2019 fiscal year, with projected income from pledges and other sources of \$270,000.

The Missions Department continues to receive ten percent of the pledges, which amounts to \$22,400.

Following lengthy discussion of other expenses, Fairview Connect was approved to continue with a budget of \$5,000, half of which would be paid by the Missions Department. Further, Connect will be reviewed in May to determine its continuation from that point.

Also approved was a 2.8 percent increase in staff salaries and wages. This compares with the cost of living adjustment for social security benefits.

Thus, the final budget adopted estimates a \$14,430 deficit. All committees were urged to be frugal in expenditures to aid in reducing the deficit. Also, increased contributions would be welcome.

Friday, June 28th

Classic Crowd will once again be going to Arrow Rock.

More details, later.



**KC DISCIPLES CYF  
MISSION WEEK 2019  
JUNE 15—21  
EAGLE PASS, TX**



High school students from the KC Regional churches are invited to a shared Mission Trip in 2019. We'll partner with the organization Mission: Border Hope in Eagle Pass Texas.

Youth who can go are those who have completed grades 9-12th in the summer of 2019.

Cost is \$300 per person. **\$100 deposit due by Jan. 31, 2019.**

Fundraising options are available.

Contact/RSVP to Pastor Travis.



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? Can CMF help? Can CWF help?

Thank you for prayerfully thinking about this.

Your Stewardship Department



Inclement Weather Policy

#### Reminder:

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 note 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 worship service, 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)