



THE FAIRVIEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH VISITOR

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Upcoming Events

Nov. 6—Bells Practice; G.A.P. (FH); Choir Practice

Nov. 7—Maple Lane HOA Mtg. (Chapel); Fairview Connect (FH) Boy Scouts (FL)

Nov. 9—Chapel Res. (C.A.); Aquarium Club Mtg. (FH); Cubs Event (FCC east side parking lot)

Nov. 10—Worship; Scout Spaghetti Luncheon (FH + K); Chuukese Bible Study (FH + K)

Nov. 11—**Veteran's Day**; Monday Morning Men (FH); Mats (FL); Exec. Board Mtg. (Cornerstone); General Board Mtg. (Conf. Room)

Nov. 12—Rotary (FH); Guild; 4-H Grp. (FL). Cubs (FH); Faith In Him

Nov. 13—Bells Practice; Boy Scouts Committee Mtg. (FL); G.A.P. (FH); Choir Practice

Nov. 14—Classic Crowd (FH); Parents as Teachers (FH); Boy Scouts (FL)

Nov. 15—Parents as Teachers (FH)



Part 3 (of 3)

A Message from Church Growth to the Fairview Congregation:

As we look to what kind of church we will be moving into the future, an issue we will have to address is the mindset that we must save our funds, that budgeting for outreach in our Gladstone neighborhood is somehow wasting our money or "taking money away from Missions." Outreach in our neighborhood is central to what we are challenged to do. While the food box ministry and Micah and mats are all wonderful programs, just as important is the challenge of reaching those in our own back yard, those who may not have physical needs in the same way the recipients of those ministries do, but the spiritual and connection needs are just as great.

We are reminded of the Parable of the Talents in Matthew 25. You all are probably quite familiar with this parable, but as we recall, the servant who was deemed faithless was the one who guarded the master's treasure by saving (one could say hoarding) it. The servants praised and invited to join in the Master's happiness were those who "invested" the treasure and multiplied it. We believe that we need to step out in faith to try some new things or at least give some of the newer programs we have started time to work. It does not happen overnight, but we would rather continue to try than to explain in the next life why we gave up.

We understand that Stewardship is important; that stewardship is the wise, prudent use of our resources. Those discredited "ministries" that used donations to live lavishly, some with gold encrusted bathroom fixtures certainly do not exemplify good Stewardship, but spending on local outreach, even if we ultimately do not succeed IS our challenge, our Great Commission. The challenge is too great to be derailed by fear; fear of failure, fear of bankruptcy, or fear that "our side" will lose in what appears to be a zero-sum game.

Shall we grow together? *How* will we grow together? Or will we choose to coast along in our comfort zone until the last of our members or the last of our money is gone? At the close of our time on this earth, don't we all want to hear the Master say to us, "Well done good and faithful servant"?

With Love to Our Congregation

Joyce T. and Susan A.

Spaghetti Dinner—Sunday, Nov. 10th

Following Worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Scouts are hosting a fundraiser. Suggested donation is \$5 per person.

Meal includes: spaghetti, veggies, garlic bread and dessert.

Come out & support our Scouts.



Sunday Services

8:30 a.m.
Intercessory Prayer

9:00 a.m.
Sunday School

10:00 a.m.
Worship Service

Pastor Travis

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



Fairview Connect
Thursday, Nov. 7th;
Starting at 6 pm

Dinner & Discussion
Fellowship Hall

Following our meal, we'll be discussing the book 'Table Talk' and how it can apply to our lives today.

Come, enjoy some fellowship & opportunities to grow in community. If you would like to help with food, let us know. Invite your friends & neighbors!



Sunday, November 10th
&
Sunday, November 17th

The **Thanksgiving Offering** benefits the Colleges, Universities, Seminaries, and Divinity Houses affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

These learning communities are an extension of the church, challenging students to understand and respond to God's call to serve

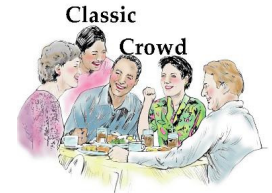
Monday — November 11th

Exec. Board Meeting
Cornerstone Room—6:30 p.m.

General Board Mtg.
Conference Room—7:00 p.m.



CLASSIC CROWD
Thursday, Nov. 14th
11:30 a.m.
FCC Fellowship Hall



Time again for the annual Thanksgiving celebration at Classic Crowd! The menu will be the famous Thanksgiving feast of turkey, mashed potatoes w/gravy, dressing and YOU!

For the November Classic Crowd ...there will be a \$3 fee at the door.

Bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share. Our entertainment will be Bill Nicks who will bring to life Octave Chanute (a key man in 1869).

Don't miss this event. We'll be looking for YOU!



SERVICE SUNDAY
FAIRVIEW'S ANNUAL
VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

Sunday, **November 17th** will be our annual volunteer sign-up in the Fellowship Hall.

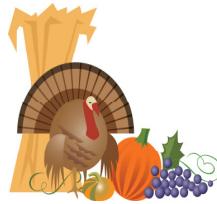
Volunteering to serve on any of our departments/committees is a great way to get involved in the things going on at Fairview.

So look for the sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall following worship on the 17th.

Annual FCC Boy Scout Troop
155 Turkey Collection

Wednesday, Nov. 27th

Troop 155 will be at Price Chopper in Gladstone between 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. collecting turkeys & non-perishable food items.



Can You Help?

Parents As Teachers
at Fairview on Nov 14 & 15th

We're excited to welcome Parents As Teachers for a group night event on Nov 14 and then a second opportunity on the morning of Nov 15.

We'd love a couple of people who could come and welcome families and help with hospitality. Please contact Pastor Travis if you are interested.



CMF BREAKFAST FOR NOVEMBER CANCELLED

Circumstances require that we cancel the November CMF Breakfast. BUT....stay tuned for information in an upcoming newsletter/visitor about the December CMF Breakfast.

The roster and callers' lists for Classic Crowd are being updated for the new year.

It's a good time for some of you to admit you are over 50 years old and join this group for lunch, polite conversation, and great entertainment. Second Thursday of each month except January.

Tell or call Bob H. if you would like to be a part of this classic bunch.



Fairview's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Sunday, Nov. 24th, 2019

Mark your calendar. Our annual Thanksgiving feast is approaching on November 24th at 5:00 p.m.

Turkey, dressing, potatoes, gravy, rolls and a mixed vegetable dish (broccoli, cauliflower, carrots etc.) will be catered. Bring your favorite side dish and/or dessert to share.

We are suggesting a donation price this year to cover the cost of the meal. Each year the expenses increase. The Sutton fund covers some of the up-front cost of the dinner but after reimbursing that fund we find ourselves short each year. So we are suggesting \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.

We are fortunate to have our own Rex Ryan providing the entertainment between dinner and dessert.....so bring a side dish and your appetite and join Fairview on November 24th at 5:00 p.m.

Membership



Didn't we have a wonderful afternoon Sunday when the Kansas City Metro Men's Chorus performed at Fairview Christian Church to benefit the Northland Christmas Store?



It was one of the best, as we collected \$5,561 in donations. Thank you so much to everyone who helped put this together and make it such a success and thanks to all who attended and made such generous donations.

Thank You, Thank You, Myrna G. For the Missions Dept.



Koffee Klatch

We are in need of volunteers in the month of November and beyond. Please check out the sign-up sheet located in the Fellowship Hall and see if you can help.

Thank you, Membership

Fairview's November Pizza Fridays

Pizza Shoppe
9329 N. Oak Trfwy.
6 pm. to ?



**Saturday, December 14th
6 p.m. — 9 p.m.
Church of Jesus Christ of
Latter-day Saints**
(6751 NE 70th St., KCMO; near 435 & Shoal Creek Pkwy)



The worship of Jesus Christ brings all Christians together!

“We Celebrate Christ” is a community gathering celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ through music & nativity displays from cultures around the world & across time.

For 2019 the host church is Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Opportunities to participate vary. Contact Kathy S. in the office if you would like more information.