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THE FAIRVIEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH VISITOR

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Upcoming Events

Nov. 20—P.E.O. Mtg. (Chapel); Bells Practice; G.A.P. (FH); Choir Practice

Nov. 21—CWF Exec. Board Mtg. (Cornerstone); CWF General Board Mtg. (FH); Northaven Grp. 2 (Chapel); Boy Scouts (FL); Fairview Connect Gathering (FH)

Nov. 23—Chapel Res. (C.A.); FH Res. (Membership)

Nov. 24—COMMITMENT SUDAY; Worship-Chest of Joash; Koffee Klatch; All-Church Thanksgiving Meal (FH)

Nov. 25—Monday Morning men (FH); Mats Project (FL); Priscilla Group (FL)

Nov. 26—Rotary (FH); Cubs Committee Mtg. (FH)

Nov. 27—Troop 155 Turkey Collection (Price Chopper)

Nov. 28—THANKSGIVING; Office Closed; FH Res. (Barbara D.)

Nov. 29—Office Closed

Nov. 30—FH Res. (Laura B.)

Dec. 1—TOY DEDICATION; Worship; Koffee Klatch; G.S. Troop 1291 (FH); Faith Community Church (FH + K)

Sunday Services

8:30 a.m.
Intercessory Prayer

9:00 a.m.
Sunday School

10:00 a.m.
Worship Service

Pastor Travis

General Board UPDATE

November General Board Meeting Report

(Submitted by Board Chair, Bob H.)

The general board of FCC met in its regular session on November 11. A brief summary of agenda items follows:

1. Despite a wintry night, 100% of the members who were in town were present.
2. The treasurer reported income and expenses were near general budget levels.
3. Heard reports from departments and committees. There were no items included which required board action.
4. Pastor Travis final worship service will be Sunday, December 22. Reception at Koffee Klatch following worship.
5. Discussed at length the processes for securing an interim minister and a full time minister. Salient points are:
   a. The Executive Committee will review applications for an interim and make a recommendation to the general board.
   b. Applicants for interim will be provided by the DOC regional office.
   c. Interested applicants must provide credentials to DOC.
   d. No one from FCC officers or board has talked personally to any possible applicant.
   e. It is hoped there is an interim approved by mid-December.
   f. A search and call committee will be formed in late December or early January.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS by CONGREGATION

In order to secure maximum input from members of the congregation for the selection of a new minister, roundtable discussions will be held after worship service on **Sunday, December 8th.**

The purpose is to develop some primary criteria and qualifications to seek when the search and call committee considers applicants. This event will be organized by DOC.

Please plan to stay for this important event. A "working lunch" will be served. Probably an hour or more.

Fairview's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, Nov. 24th, 2019— 5 p.m.; Fellowship Hall

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 R. providing the entertainment between dinner and dessert—so bring a side dish and your appetite.

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

It is with sincere sympathy that we announce the following passings, please keep their families in your prayers:

- Bob T., passed away on Friday, Nov. 15th; services have recently taken place
- Paul L., son of Ray L., passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 12th, at this time services have not been scheduled
- Jerry W., brother of Etta M., passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 5th; memorial service will be out of state
- Ruby L., mother of Judy R., passed away on Thursday, Oct. 31st; services have taken place

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.

POINSETTIA ORDERS

The time is coming to once again to order Poinsettias to decorate our Sanctuary.

Starting this Sunday, Nov. 24th, if you would like to order a Poinsettia for a loved one, please fill out the information on the designated envelope & include payment that will be in that Sunday's Visitor.

Cost is $10 per order & the deadline to place your order is Sun., Dec. 8th.

Envelopes, with payment, may be left in the office or dropped in the collection plate.

FAIRVIEW CONNECT

COMMUNITY | INTERACTIVE | WORSHIP

Fairview Connect
Thursday, Nov. 21st;
Starting at 6 pm

Dinner & Discussion
Fellowship Hall

Following our Thanksgiving meal, we'll continue our discussion of 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

Northland Christmas Store

North Cross United Methodist Church

We are looking for **Fairview CC volunteers** to signup to work a shift at the store.

FCC shift signup sheets will be available this Sunday, Nov. 24th in the Narthex (look for the designated table).

Christmas Store is 'open' on December 9th, 10th & 11th.

You may bring unwrapped toys from now thru Sunday, Dec. 1st.
We will dedicate the toys on Dec. 1st.

Mitten Tree

The Mitten Tree benefiting the Clay County Clothes Closet will be up outside the Fellowship Hall for the next few weeks, until December 9th.

This is a good opportunity to donate hats, gloves, mittens, and winter scarves or mufflers for kids in need in Clay County.

Thanks in advance for your generous help in making this project a success.

Priscilla CWF

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

Reminder....

The Church Office will be closed on ...
Thursday, Nov. 28th
& Friday, Nov. 29th.

Make sure to come out next Tuesday (Nov. 26th) for the Gladstone Mayor's Christmas Tree Ceremony.

Starting at 6pm, we will hear from Gladstone area school choirs, enjoy some community time, and even hear from our own pastor Travis who will be giving the invocation.

Portions will be broadcast on KMBC 9, but the invocation will only be seen at the event. Hope to see you at Linden Square on Tuesday!

The Mats Project has exceeded way beyond our anticipation, thanks to all who brought us many bags. Thanks to all.

Our crew has faded to the extent that we will not be continuing next year. To date we have completed 230 mats *(consisting of an average of approx. 600 plastic bags per mat)*.

Most of the mats have been distributed to the medical team of Micah Ministries. They visit the homeless camps. The homeless people have welcomed them.

Thanks again to all who contributed bags and helped with the project.

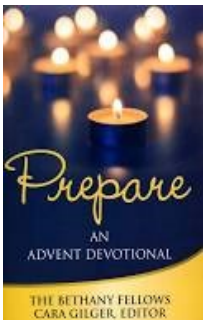
At our October Elders meeting it was discovered that our December meeting was going to have many absentees because of Thanksgiving travels, etc.

So we voted to move our December meeting to Tuesday, December 10. Please mark your calendars. That will be our Elders Christmas Dinner.

Our new supply of 'Our Daily Bread' for December, January, February 2019-2020 have come in.

Feel free to pick up a free copy while supplies last. You may find copies on the small table down from the Chapel & various spots in the Narthex.

As I will be out of the office next Wednesday (Nov. 27th), the deadline to have articles to me for the Nov. 27th newsletter is by the end of day Monday, Nov. 25th.
—Thanks, Kathy S.



Advent Devotionals Are In '<u>Prepare</u>'
The Bethany Fellows
Cara Gilger, Editor

What if this Advent, we prepared enough room to receive not just the baby sweet and mild in the manger, but the man and ministry that changed the world and has the ability to change our lives?

Booklets, while supplies last, can be found on the small table down from the Chapel.

<u>SUPPLIES FOR FCC FOOD BOXES</u>

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!

<u>Fairview's November Pizza Fridays</u>

Pizza Shoppe (9329 N. Oak Trfwy.)

6 pm. to ?