



# THE FAIRVIEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH VISITOR

## Upcoming Events

**Nov. 23**—Pack 354 AOL (FL); Pack 354 Lions Den (FH)

**Nov. 24**—THANKSGIVING DAY; Office Closed

**Nov. 25**—Office closed

**Nov. 26**—Hanging of the Greens (Sanctuary); FH Reserved (afternoon)

**Nov. 27**—Sunday School; Worship Service; Koffee Klatch (FH); Pack 354 Webelos (FL)

**Nov. 28**—Priscilla Group (Conf. Room); Troop 354 Scouts Mtg. (FH, Cornerstone, FL)

**Nov. 29**—AMS Color Guard (FH); Pack 354 Wolf Den (FH); Pack 354 Bear Den (FL)

**Nov. 30**—Pack 354 AOL (FL); Pack 354 Lions Den (FH); Choir Practice

**Dec. 01**—AMS Color Guard (FH);

**Dec. 04**—Sunday School; Worship Service; Koffee Klatch (FH); Blue Sunday Christmas Service (Chapel); Pack 354 Webelos (FL)

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Fairview Beloved,

I want to invite you and your families on a journey this advent season. A Journey to Bethlehem. In this newsletter you will find some of our advent activities and the scripture and sermon title for every week. We will journey with Mary and Joseph and pause at the meaningful places in the Christmas story. May we each find a new way of seeing the birth of Christ as we take this journey together.

In the middle of the advent season you will notice a new type of worship in the afternoon - the Blue Christmas Service. This worship will be a place for those of you who perhaps are experiencing or have experienced great loss and just are not sure what to do with this pain this season. We will pray together, remember together and meditate together and even cry together as we make space for us to be ok or not ok or anything in between.

After all, along Mary's journey were many moments to wonder and to cry. Her road was not easy and her task was difficult. Mary faced many obstacles and much prejudice as she journeyed to give birth to the Son of God. It is right and fitting we make space on our journeys as well to recognize that the Christian journey isn't always easy, but it is always right.

Happy Adventing! Happy Waiting! And Happy Journeying!

In Christ's Peace, Rev. Jill

## NORTHLAND CHRISTMAS STORE 2022

**Dec. 5th, 6th & 7th**



*Make a wish come true this holiday season!*

Santa Clause's 'bag' is setup at Fairview in the Narthex to collect 'donations' thru this Sun. Nov. 27th. Just like last year, since we did such a good job, Fairview will donate the money that would have been spent on toys. The Christmas Store will then purchase 'gift cards' for the older youth (ages 15-18 years old).

For those at Fairview who cannot attend church in person and wish to donate, you can send your check to Fairview but make it payable to The Northland Christmas Store. On the envelope that you mail to Fairview put Attn: Northland Christmas Store.

This Sun. Nov. 27th all donations that have been received for the Christmas Store will be blessed & counted. It will be delivered to the Christmas Store during their board meeting on Tues. Nov. 29th

*Donation envelopes that can be used can be found on the FCC Welcome Table.*



The Mitten Tree benefiting the Clay County Clothes Closet will be set up outside the Fellowship Hall November 27—December 11.

This is a good opportunity to donate winter hats, gloves and scarves for kids of all ages in need in Clay County.

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



Sunday Services

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

Senior Minister  
Rev. Jill S.

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



*With Sincere Sympathy*

It is with sincere sympathy that we announce the passing of two from Fairview :

- Peggy H., charter member of Fairview passed away Nov. 11th; Peggy's service will take place at the Gladstone Community Center on Sun. Nov. 27th, starting at 1 p.m.
- Janet T., member of Fairview and spouse of Maurice passed away on Sun. Nov. 20th; services are still being finalized; we will communicate service information when it becomes available

Please keep Peggy's and Janet's families in your prayers.



Poinsettias

**POINSETTIA ORDERS**

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

**Starting this Sunday, Nov. 27th**, if you would like to order a Poinsettia for a loved one, you will need to fill out the information on the designated envelope & include payment. Designated envelopes are available & located on the Welcome Table.

Cost is \$9 per order & the **deadline to place your order is Noon Monday, Dec. 5th.**

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

**Reminder....**

**The Church Office will be closed on Thursday Nov. 24th & Friday Nov. 25th.**



Both Chris & Kathy H. and Chet & Joy G. have new addresses.

If you would like that information, please contact Kathy S. in the office.



Now is the time to restock the pantry with the following non-perishable items: **green beans, corn, peas, tomatoes, tomato juice, chili beans, soups, macaroni, linguine, spaghetti, rice, noodles, stove top dressing, corn bread mix, flour, sugar, brown sugar, peanut butter, crackers**

We covered Thanksgiving food needs with the recent delivery. Now we need to think about the upcoming Christmas holiday cooking and stock the pantry with the above listed foods for MLM.

Thank you to those that have already started bringing in items for the pantry.

As always if you don't want to shop for items, we still have the little red box which is available for donations for the pantry. If your donation is by check, I will see that it is credited to your giving records. **I'd like for us to be able to deliver our food items to MLM by December 2** which will give MLM about 3 weeks to make items available to families.

Thank you for your loving and generous support of food pantry. Melva D. L., FCC Missions Committee chairperson.

Dear Fairview,

Thank you so much for graciously opening your lovely church home to us for the KCMCC recent concert.

It was a wonderful venue, musically and spiritually!



Marjie — Executive Director  
Clay County Clothes Closet

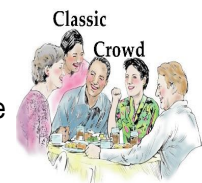


**Priscilla Meeting  
Monday, November 28th  
5:00 p.m.  
FCC Conference Room**

**DATE CHANGE FOR DECEMBER**

**Fairview's Classic Crowd**

For December only we will be meeting on the third Thursday...**so join us at 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall on Thurs. Dec. 15th** .



We will have the **Classic Crowd** tradition of having the Antioch Middle School Choir to serenade us with Christmas Music!

Meal will be a holiday dinner of ham and all the "fixins" and desserts — cost \$5 per person.



## Fairview's Advent Calendar

### JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

#### **November 27 - First Sunday of Advent (Hope)**

Candlelighters - Standley Family

Sermon Title and Scripture - Stopping in Nazareth;

Luke 1:26-38

#### **December 4 - Second Sunday of Advent (Peace)**

Candlelighters unknown

Sermon Title and Scripture - Stopping at the Hillside;

Luke 1:57-80

Special Event - Blue Sunday Christmas Service, 1pm - a service designed to create space for recognition of the grief and pain that often coincides with the holidays. A quiet meditative service in the chapel for those needing a place to feel safe to feel the sadness and grief that comes with the holiday season

#### **December 11 - Third Sunday of Advent (Joy)**

Candlelighters - Sherry N and Nancy C

Music Sunday!! The choir will be singing a few pieces and there will be special music throughout the service

#### **December 18 - Fourth Sunday of Advent (Love)**

Candlelighters unknown

Sermon Title & Scripture - Stopping in the Fields of Shepherds;

Luke 2:8-20

Special Event - Christmas in the Northland for kids; a collaborative effort by DOC northland churches to provide an opportunity for children to celebrate Christmas (Hillside and North Oak and if we can get volunteers from Fairview then Fairview as well!)

#### **December 24 - 5pm organ concert, 5:30pm Candlelight**

**Christmas Eve service**, followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall; Sermon title and scripture - Stopping in Bethlehem; Luke 2:1-7

#### **December 25 - 10am CASUAL Christmas Day**

**Worship!!** Wear your Christmas Jammies if you want or favorite Christmas sweater, come prepared to sing carols and participate in the telling of the Christmas story!

Come prepared to have fun as we worship God!  
(Koffee Klatch will take place as always!)

**January 1 - 10am Special New Years Day worship!!** Start your 2023 right by worshipping the one who brought you to where you are!



### BIRTHDAYS

**NOV.:** (25) Bob H.; (26) Chris H.; (27) Ray H.;  
(28) Edna T., Jenna B.; (29) Jeremy J., Jason F.; (30) Katie S.,  
Melva D. L., Rachel H.

**DEC.:** (01) Shirley J., Billie S.; (02) Marilyn F.; (03) Cheryl B.;  
(04) Faye E.; (05) Lillian G.

## FCC NOVEMBER SERVING SCHEDULE Worship Services

The following are scheduled to be serving elders:

Table 1:	Pat D.
Table 2:	Joy G.
1 <sup>st</sup> Concerned:	Susan A.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Concerned:	Kathy H.
11/27 WL	Judy S.

The following the scheduled deacons:

#### **Nov. 27:**

Jackie O. (Duty); Eldonna D. (Asst. Duty);  
Dick D.; Mark O.; Wanda P.;  
Myrna G., Vaughn B.; Lisa C.

#### **Dec. 04 & Dec. 11:**

Chet G. (Duty); Mikel B. (Asst. Duty);  
Peggy N.; Carolyn V.;  
Jason & Julie F.; Debbie B.; Billie S.

### KOFFEE KLATCH

**Nov. 27:** Jacie R.

**Dec. 04:** OPEN

**Dec. 11:** Eileen T. — Happy 90th

### OUR RECORD

#### Sunday November 20, 2022

Sun. School Attendance	27
Worship Attendance	81
Visitors	11
New Members 2022	7