



# THE FAIRVIEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH VISITOR

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## Upcoming Events

**Oct. 4**—Meadowbrook Elementary Walk to School Day (from FCC Parking Lot); Bells Practice; Christian Ed Mtg. (Conf. Room); G.S. Troop 1191 (Cornerstone); G.A.P. (FH); Choir Practice

**Oct. 5**—Chapel Prayer; Fairview Connect Gathering (FH); Art League (Conf. Room/Lounge)

**Oct. 6**—CWU Mtg. (Community of Christ Church)

**Oct. 7**—CMF Breakfast (FH); Chapel Reserved (Carolyn A.)

**Oct. 8**—Worship; Koffee Klatch (FH); Northland Disciples Youth (Crop Walk)

**Oct. 9**—Monday Morning Men (FH); Mats Project (Family Life); Department Meetings (var. rooms)

**Oct. 10**—Rotary (FH); Connections to Success (Conf. Room); Guild; 4-H Club (Family Life Room); Faith In Him; Cub Scouts (FH)



### When My Daughter Cries

Ugh...Pastors talking about their kids...Sorry in advance, Lucy, but I'll try to be good about how often we talk about you as a pastor's kid...

Lately, Lucy has been fussy. I know this is a surprise for many in our congregation that haven't heard a peep from her. Yes, mostly she is just fine, a very calm baby, but lately she's getting fussier. See, when we put her down on the ground, she's been rolling and kinda moving...not crawling yet, just inching across the room. And what's been odd about this is that she gets upset, even when she enjoys it.

It's a twofold upset. First is the lack of contact she has with us. She likes to be held and this being on the floor means we aren't directly face to face with her, we're essentially gone from her life as far as she is concerned. And second she gets upset because she can see what she wants to do but can't yet do it. She wants to lift up her body, but her arm gets stuck. Or she wants to move, but can't quite figure out one leg in front of the other. And eventually she moves or rolls, but it takes a few tries to get there.

Why would we allow her to do this?!?! Are we the worst parents ever?!?! We let her do this because she is learning...she's learning how to physically move but she's also learning how to deal with emotions and frustrations and how to problem solve. And in the end, even if it took a few cries to get there, she's becoming a stronger person because of it.

A church is not a baby, but Jesus does encourage us to approach faith like a child would. We're encouraged to approach with an attitude of learning, of figuring things out, being open to new possibilities. That's tough in a 63-year-old congregation. We've been here, we've been doing, and often feel like we can't learn again.

However, when I see cries from our congregation, I think about where they come from. This isn't what I've been used to. I see where I want to go but my arm is stuck and it's tough to move it. Doing new things is tough. And why would we let our people cry about this? Because it is tough. But like our daughter, we know that this church will be better off for figuring out how to deal with these new emotions and frustrations, and to problem solve and to see things anew.

I envy my daughter, because her life has been all about learning new things. Five months in and it's nothing but learning new things like moving, like sleeping in her own bed, like eating new foods. And every day she is learning how to do new things and recognize new opportunities in this world. I take hope from her life, from her perspective, and I hope that we can constantly do that as well.

—Pastor Travis



## Sunday Services

**8:30 a.m.**  
Intercessory Prayer

**9:00 a.m.**  
Sunday School

**10:00 a.m.**  
Worship Service

Co-Pastors  
Kassie & Travis

### Fairview Connect This Thursday

On October 5th, we're reflecting on the idea of "Welcome" as a practice and an obligation. We never know where we will see the face of God and welcome the stranger to honor God's image in our neighbors.



FAIRVIEW  
CONNECT

COMMUNITY | INTERACTIVE | WORSHIP

Join us for this gathering and reflect in a community based interactive worship service.

Be sure to follow us on social media as well, @FairviewConnect

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 following passings, please keep their families in your prayers:

Fern R. – member of Fairview – passed away on Sun., Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>; both visitation & funeral service will take place at McGilley Antioch Funeral Home (3325 NE Vivion Rd.); Fern’s visitation will be Wed., Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8 p.m.; the funeral service with be Thurs., Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:30 a.m.

Ron J. – cousin of Maurice T. – passed away on Thurs., Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>; Ron’s Celebration of Life Service will be Sun. Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> at Penwell-Gabel Funeral Home (14275 Blackbob Road South, Olathe) from 2-4 p.m.



Congratulations to Bob H., from Fairview, who has been selected to be part of the group honored with the opportunity of going on an Honor Flight of KC.

They will be leaving for Washington, D.C. tomorrow, Thursday, October 5th.

Bob’s day will start VERY early when his flight departs on October 5th & then they will return to KCI that evening sometime between approx. 9:30 and 10:30 p.m.

Hopefully you will have an opportunity to be part of it all at the airport & attend the homecoming.

**CMF Breakfast will be Saturday, Oct. 7th starting at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**



**Come join the men of Fairview for great food & fellowship.**

Friday, October 6th  
Northland Church Women United  
Community of Christ Church  
7615 N. Platte Purchase Rd.



**Northland Church Women United Forum**

9:30 a.m. Refreshments  
10:00 a.m. Program

Come to Church Women United to hear about drug interactions – the good and the bad. Good information for anyone taking drugs.



FCC Department Meetings

**Monday — October 9th**

Department Meetings  
6:30 p.m.  
Meetings are in various rooms.



**Northland Youth Group Crop Walk This Sunday**

This Sunday, we'll leave from Fairview at 1pm to participate in the Crop Walk with the Northland Disciples Youth Group.

Wear comfortable walking shoes, because we'll be making our way around the UMKC campus, learning about ways we can help those who struggle with poverty and hunger.

Congregation: You are invited this Sunday to donate to the kids walking in the Crop Walk. We'll have a collection time during Children's sermon where you can donate some pocket change and help those struggling with poverty and hunger.



**FCC's Friday Pizza Fellowship**

Friday's in October, we will meet at Pizza Hut in NKC at 1207 Armour Rd.

6:00 p.m. on for great fellowship!



**Thank YOU!**

Thank You

I'd like to say thank you to Tom S. & Joy G. for bringing me communion.

Also thank you, Fairview, for your prayers & for all of the cards I have received.

—Joan G.



**KOFFEE KLATCH  
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

***This Sunday, Oct. 8th  
we need a volunteer for  
Koffee Klatch.***

Then starting on Sunday,  
November 5th thru the end  
of 2017, we need  
volunteers to help with  
Koffee Klatch.

If you can help on a  
particular Sunday, please put your name on the  
signup sheet that can be found on the small bulletin  
board in the Fellowship Hall.

If you have questions on what is involved with  
volunteering to do Koffee Klatch, please feel free to  
ask someone from the Membership team or  
call the office.



**Classic Crowd  
Thursday, October 12  
11:30 a.m.  
FCC Fellowship Hall**

**Meal will be Loaded  
Baked Potato Bar plus your dishes.**

**Entertainment will be the Cowtown Cloggers.**

Fairview,

Glen's family wants to  
thank everyone for helping us  
celebrate his 90th birthday  
recently. He was very pleased.

—Glen's Family



**Wally's Memorial  
Food Box Challenge**

For the month of August  
we collected 156 cans  
of vegetables.

For the month of September we  
collected 198 boxes of macaroni & cheese.

Thank you Fairview!

For the month of October the challenge item  
is pasta.

Remember each week the number donated will  
be counted and at the end of the month an equal  
number of those items will be purchased for the food  
box preparation from the designated memorial fund.



A big thank you to Fairview donors  
to the Della Lamb project.

We gave them 3 cabinet sewing  
machines, 1 portable machine, 3 bags  
of fabric and one large box of fabric and assorted  
accessories and sewing notions.

They will be used in the sewing classes teaching young  
women how to sew for a living and for their families.  
The items were delivered and Della Lamb officials  
expressed their gratefulness to Fairview.  
They seemed pleased with the quality of the  
donated items.

—Kathy C., Missions



As of October 1, 2017, the new address of the  
Christian Church (DOC) of Greater Kansas City,  
both physical address & mailing address, is the  
same:

**9401 Johnson Drive; Merriam, KS 66203**

Join us Monday mornings at 9:30  
to prepare plann and crochet mats  
for the homeless.



The completed mats are taken by  
the volunteer nurses & doctors from  
Micah ministry who go out  
to the homeless camps to treat  
patients. They are giving them to people  
who actually live outdoors.

We would invite all who would like to help to come on  
Mondays. You do not have to crochet. We still need  
people to straighten bags, cut loops and make plann  
balls and we have fun fellowship while we work.

Bring a friend! —Thank you, Missions Dept.