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THE FAIRVIEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH VISITOR

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Upcoming Events

Aug. 26—Compassionate Ministry (Conf. Room); Choir Practice

Aug. 27—Chapel Prayer; Northland Disciples Mtg. (Conf. Room); S.A.S.S. Group (Conf. Room); Craft Group (Family Life Room)

Aug. 28—G.S. Troop 1024 (FH)

Aug. 30—Worship; Koffee Klatch; Almost Yoga (Chapel)

Aug. 31—Monday Morning Men (FH); Craft Group (Family Life Room); Boy Scouts (FH)

Sept. 1—Rotary (FH); Faith In Him; Cub Scouts (FH)

Sept. 2—Esther Group; Bells Practice; Choir Practice

Sept. 3—Chapel Prayer; Art League (FH)

Sunday Services

8:30 a.m.
Intercessory Prayer

9:00 a.m.
Sunday School

10:00 a.m.
Worship Service

Co-Pastors
Kassie & Travis

FCC Bible Book Club

Announcing: Bible Book Club Study

Kassie and I had just put the call out for people to help with leading Bible studies. And we still are, because it's important for many people to be involved in the important work of growing in our understanding of the Bible. But the conversation went something like this:

—"We both LIKE to teach, it's just hard to find a night to teach on"
—"Right, Tuesdays and Thursdays are tough, and Wednesdays and Mondays we're already involved in things.
—"Except 4th Mondays...."

How would we lead a bible study once a month? What about by making the scope bigger than normal? Instead of small chunks each week, what if the study were to focus on larger sections with in-person discussion once a month? What if it were to focus on the larger ideas, like seeing big ideas when reading literature?

So, Kassie and I announce the Bible Book Club Study, meeting in person on the 4th Mondays of the month 6:30-8pm. We'll focus on the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) for now, dwelling on Joshua and the history books through Esther. Each month we'll read a book of the Hebrew Bible (adjusting for some of the shorter ones) and gather on the 4th Monday to discuss what we read and heard God speaking through the texts.

Each month, we'll publish a guide for reading, sort of weekly benchmarks for those that want to pace out the reading through the month. We will also put brief reflections and questions out on the webpage (fairviewcc.org) and church Facebook page. We're looking for involvement from people, even those that AREN'T available on 4th Mondays (I know, Priscilla group!).

As the main starting point of studying the Hebrew Bible is the Torah (Genesis-Deuteronomy) we'll need a brief overview to get us started. I don't want to dwell in Genesis too much, nor get bogged down by the laws and regulations of Leviticus and Numbers. Remember, we're reading for breadth of understanding, trying to find large themes. This first month of reading is huge, but remember that it is background so we can read Joshua in October.

Here is the on-your-own reading schedule for September:

Now to August 31: Genesis 1-25:18
Sept 1-7: Genesis 25:19-50
Sept 8-14: Exodus
Sept 15-21:Leviticus and Numbers
Sept 22-28: Deuteronomy

And we'll meet on Monday, Sept. 28th at 6:30 p.m in the Chapel.
Again, check the church website and Facebook pages for ways to share and engage before our first discussion on Sept 28th. Kassie and I look forward to studying and growing with you!

—Pastor Travis

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

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For CMF September Breakfast only…

We will meet on Sat., Sept. 12th starting at 8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

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

MONETARY DONATIONS NEEDED AND APPRECIATED

Thanks to your generous support we ***have 370 school kits*** going to the Festival of Sharing in October.

We no longer are in need of supplies.

However, ***each kit requires a $2.00 shipping fee***. So if you have not yet contributed to this project and would like to help, please make out a check to Fairview Christian Church, place it in an envelope marked School Kit Shipping and give it to Kathy S. in the office.

Please have your cash or check in the office ***no later than October 1st.*** Thanks so much for your generous support.

BRING USED SHOES TO FESTIVAL

Festival of Sharing is partnering with SOLEA (formerly called Shoeman) to change used shoes into clean water around the world. They recycle the used shoes to earn money for clean water projects. The United Nations estimate 784 million people do not have access to clean water and the World Health Organization estimates 2.2 million die from diarrhea alone, caused by water-borne diseases.

If you would like to donate some used shoes, Fairview's Mission Department has setup a collection container in the Fellowship Hall, which is labeled, & is on the stage.

If you are donating used shoes, please have them in the container ***no later than October 1st***.

This **Sunday, August 30th**, we will recognize Steve and Virginia O. who, after many years of faithful service and leadership at Fairview, are moving to Lee's Summit.

Please join us after Worship Service and come to the Fellowship Hall for Koffee Klatch for cake and a few words of goodbye. There will be a basket to receive your cards and notes.

The Craft Group will meet in the Family Life Room at **9:30 a.m.** on the following **Monday's** in August & September:

CRAFT GROUP

- Aug.: 31st
- Sept.: 14th, 21st & 28th

Will meet in the Family Life Room at **6:30 p.m**. on the following **Thursday's** in August & September:

- Aug. 27th
- Sept. 10th

Please feel free to join in & participate. The more the merrier!

FCC's Fall Craft Sale is Saturday, October 10th!

Mark your calendar.....

Fairview Christian Church
CWF Fall Craft Sale

One Day Only

Saturday, Oct. 10, 2015
8 a.m.—2 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Featured handmade items:
Gifts, Decorations for Fall, Halloween & Christmas

Drawing for the 'Opportunity Quilt' will be at Fairview's Nov. 22nd Annual Thanksgiving Dinner.
(Do not need to be present to win.)

Dear Fairview Missions Department,

Thank you so much for your kind and generous monetary donation to the Clay County Clothes Closet!

Your money will assist us in purchasing the clothing we freely give to the disadvantaged families and individuals we serve in the Northland.

I wanted to share with you that I frequently receive emails from those we have served in the past wanting to now give back to the Community that helped them.
I truly feel Fairview and The Clothes Closet are part of a "Giving Circle" that continues to bless those in our Community who need us the most!

Thank you,
Debbie B.
Executive Director
Clay County Clothes Closet

Join us!

After taking the month of August off, it is time to think of **Classic Crowd**!

Classic Crowd will meet again on Thurs., **Sept. 10th** at 11:30 a.m. in Fairview's Fellowship Hall.

The menu will be Fried Chicken, so plan on bringing side dishes and desserts to go with old fashioned Chicken Dinner.

Our old favorite Del S. will be the entertainment so look forward to a GREAT TIME !

The Festival of Sharing Quilt Show in the Kansas City area will be Wed., **Sept. 30th** from 2-4 p.m. at the **Second Presbyterian Church**

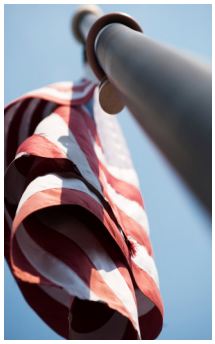
(318 E. 55th St., KCMO 64113; 816-363-1300).

Fairview Christian Church is pleased to offer a preventive health event.
Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings on **10/1/2015**.

Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis.

Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from $149 ($139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete.

In order to register for this event and to receive a $10 discount off any package priced above $129, please call 1-888-653-6450 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.



Flag help needed.
Labor Day, Sept. 7th.

Flags will go up at 7 a.m. & be taken down at 5:30 p.m.

So if you're available & can help us, we hope to see you at Fairview.

Thanks, Russ F. & Bob T.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you have not already signed up to volunteer to provide a dish or help with a funeral meal…..here is your opportunity!

Funeral Meals

If you are not currently on the contact list, please reach out to Janet T. to be added to the list.

Any help that can be provided, would be appreciated.