

## Ways to Participate in the Life of our Church:

**Sunday Bible Study:** Join us for Bible study Sundays at 9:00 AM in the Pastor's Study. This is a discussion based group; bring a Bible and an open mind.

**Adult Book Study Group:** You're invited to join Fairview's Sunday morning book study. Sunday mornings at 11:15 in the church office/library. Questions? Contact Ewell Lawson at esjk1993@aol.com. We hope you can join us! Group is in hybrid format - in person & virtual. Meeting ID: 872 2387 8090; Passcode: Breakfast.

**JOY Group:** Joy Group meets Tuesdays nights in the church office at 6:30 PM. We are studying *Brave and Beloved*. Join us!

**Moms Group:** Join us as we discuss the book *Woven*.

**Fairview Choir:** Our adult choir practices Wednesday evenings at 7 pm in the sanctuary. All levels of musical ability welcomed and encouraged. You are invited to come and sing. Grab a friend hang out in with this casual group and make some music together!

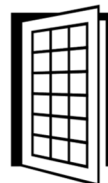
**Loaves and Fishes January Meal:** We are serving the meal at Loaves and Fishes Wednesday, January 31st. Mark Chambers will get the key and open the kitchen at 3 PM. To help set up and heat the food arrive at 3 PM. To help with serving food arrive at 3:45 PM. To help with clean up arrive by 5 PM. We still need 2 Baked Zitis (9x13 pan), and 6 bags of tangerines. Please sign up in the Narthex or online today! If you would like to be reimbursed for purchases, please attach your receipt to a reimbursement form in the church office.

**Sleep in Heavenly Peace:** We at Fairview have purchased a bunk bed for the Sleep in Heavenly Peace project. They are raising money to buy supplies to build more beds for children in our community who otherwise would sleep on the floor. We are also supporting this effort by collecting new bedding for twin size beds until January 30th. Please bring new twin size sheet sets, mattress pads including waterproof ones, and blankets to the church office. They will be picked up on January 30th.

**Puzzle Exchange:** Do you love jigsaw puzzles? Do you have an excess of puzzles clogging up your shelves and drawers? Well, then! Bring them to church for the new Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange. Take a puzzle, solve it, bring it back, take another one! If you have puzzles at your house with all the pieces, please consider donating a few to the exchange! Place your donated puzzles on the designated shelves.

**Ash Wednesday:** We will observe Ash Wednesday on February 14th at 6pm in the sanctuary and online. This will begin our Lenten Theme of Wandering Heart: Figuring Out Faith with Peter. This service will include the imposition of ashes and corporate confession.

**Camp Jo-Ota:** We've started a fund to give Scholarships to Fairview kids who would like to attend overnight camp at Camp Jo-Ota this summer! More info available in New and Notes.



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Our Mission: to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

Our Vision: to be a neighborhood church where YOU make a difference

We are faithful, relational, inclusive, genuine, and service-oriented



Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany | January 28, 2024 | 10 AM

Gathering Music

Judy Shaw

Greeting

Rev. Nancy Martin, Pastor

\*Opening Hymn

Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word

UMH 596

\*Call to Worship

Betsy Mathews, Liturgist

L: Come, let us praise the Lord!

**P: We praise God with our whole heart!**

L: God's works are great!

**P: Open our hearts and spirits to see your works, O Lord!**

L: Come, let us worship the Lord who has saved us!

**P: May our lives reflect the wondrous love of God that all may see and know of God's greatness. AMEN.**

Opening Prayer

Betsy Mathews, Liturgist

Hymn

Spirit of the Living God Fall Afresh on Me

UMH 393

Joys and Concerns; Prayers of the People

Rev. Nancy Martin

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Children's Moment

Rev. Nancy Martin

Children are welcome to come to the front to hear about the scripture we're focusing on today. Adults may accompany their child(ren) or children can stay in their seats.

Scripture Hymn      O Master, Let Me with Thee      UMH 430, v. 1,3,4

Scripture      Mark 1:21-28      Betsy Mathews, Liturgist

**They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, 'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.' But Jesus rebuked him, saying, 'Be silent, and come out of him!' And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, 'What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.' At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.**

Sermon      Rev. Nancy Martin

Call to Confession      Rev. Nancy Martin

Prayer of Confession      Rev. Nancy Martin

**Gracious God, when we speak of your great power, the power that abounds in creation all around us, we sometimes wonder if it is in our own lives. We hear that you are faithful, that you remember us and your promises, yet there are places in our lives that don't feel quite right. We often wonder what you have to do with our lives, especially in the places that hurt. Help us trust your promised grace, for we long to touch your healing peace. Help us trust your power. Help us trust the story of good news of great joy. Tell us and show us the ways you are active in the world, Amen.**

Words of Forgiveness      Rev. Nancy Martin

Generosity Moment      Rev. Nancy Martin

\*Doxology      UMH 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirt!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Offertory Prayer      Betsy Mathews, Liturgist

\*Closing Hymn      Have Thine Own Way      UMH 382, v. 1,2,4

\*Benediction      Rev. Nancy Martin

Postlude      Judy Shaw

The asterisk (\*) indicates when to stand in body or spirit;  
UMH stands for the United Methodist Hymnal;  
TFWS stands for The Faith We Sing

Nursery Care is available starting at 9:45 AM for children three years old and under. Children's Church happens during our service for those in fifth grade and under. During this time kids will learn more about the scripture we are focusing on in the worship service. There's usually a craft, game, fellowship, and fun. Adults will pick up their children after the service from the children's church room (at the end of the Children's Corridor).

All volunteers who work with children and youth have passed a background check, have been Safe Gatherings trained, and uphold our Safe Sanctuary policies and procedures. All children are welcome in all aspects of our worship. Feel free to keep your children with you or utilize nursery care or Children's Church.

We have an offering plate in the back of the sanctuary as you exit the double doors. To give online, please scan this code using your smart phone's camera:

