

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. The class is currently discussing Romans.

Sunday Book Study Group: Join us Sunday, May 24 in the office at 11:15 AM to discuss the book Dwelling Places: Words to Live in Every Season by Lucinda Secrest McDowell. This Sunday join us in the narthex (lobby outside the sanctuary) for a discussion of our May Rooted Reading - The Acts of the Apostles. Everyone is invited!

Fairview Choir: Our adult choir practices on Wednesday nights at 7 PM in the sanctuary. This is a low-key group of folks who love to sing. If you're interested in singing as part of the choir, come to any practice or speak with our Director of Music, Judy Shaw. All musical abilities welcome!

Craft Evening: Come to the church office/library on second Fridays at 6 PM for fun, fellowship, and crafts! Bring your own craft. We'll order in dinner, bring some food, or eat before you come. Let's make something great together! Join us **June 12 at 6 PM** for our next meet up.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast: Join other men from Fairview United Methodist Church every second Saturday at the West Broadway HyVee for community, conversation, and breakfast food! Order and find a table with other Fairview folks. Join us **Saturday, June 13 at 8:30 AM**.

Fairview Women's Brunch: All women of the church from babies to 99 years young are invited to a celebratory brunch in the Narthex on **Saturday, June 13, from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**. Come for fun and fellowship. Bring your fanciest hat! Sponsored by Fairview Women In Faith.

Scholarships for Overnight Camp: It's time to apply for scholarships to sleep away camp! We have established a fund for scholarships to send Fairview Kids to overnight summer camp at Camp Jo-Ota. You can apply for a 25%, 50%, 75%, or 100% scholarship. Camp Jo-Ota has sessions for preschoolers and an adult all the way through 12th grade. Is your Fairview Kid interested in attending camp this year? Scan the QR code to learn more!



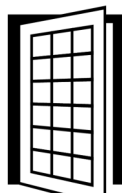
Graduation Sunday: On Sunday, May 31 we will celebrate Fairview Folks who are graduating. We'll pray for them as they enter a new season of life. Are you or a loved one graduating? Please let the office know at office@frontyardchurch.org. Thank you!

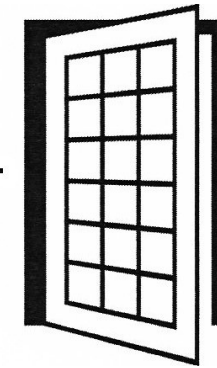
Noisy Offering: We'll have a "noisy offering" as part of our worship service on Sunday, May 31. Fairview kids will use tins to collect any coins (or bills!) you bring in, making lots of noise! We are collecting money for two funds sponsored by the Missouri Conference of the United Methodist Church: Next Generation Ministries and Global Mission Engagement: Mozambique and Peru. Thank you for your generosity!



Mark Your Calendar: Camp Fairview will consist of four events this summer: June 12, July 10, July 31, and August 23. Scan the QR code for more info.

Farewell to the Blankenships: Our beloved Blankenships: Brian, Bonnie, Theo, and Milo are moving to Branson. We'll share a liturgy of goodbye during our worship on **Sunday, May 24**.

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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
Core Values: We are faithful, relational, inclusive, genuine, and service-oriented
Core Practices: Worship. Pray. Grow. Serve. Give. Invite.



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Seventh Sunday of Easter | May 17, 2026 | 10 AM

Gathering Music Judy Shaw, Director of Music

Greeting Rev. Nancy Martin, Pastor

*Hymn Marching to Zion UMH 733 v. 1, 3, 4

*Call to Worship Brian Blankenship, Liturgist

We walk our path to you.
Sometimes we do not see...
the roads that we follow and the people we pass.
Sometimes we do not hear...
your voice urging us to lift our gaze and see, open our ears and hear.
Sometimes we miss it all...
as we forget to follow you.
Lord God, help us to experience the journey as we walk beside you, for it is in those steps that we are closest to you. Amen.

Call to Confession Rev. Nancy Martin

Prayer of Confession
Loving God, our journey to you often feels like a dance, one step forward and two steps back. We follow and we falter; we try and we give up. The good we do seems to fall flat, and the wrong we do gets magnified. For all our failings, for all our missteps, You do not give up on us. We are so grateful that you stay with us. We pray that when we lose our way you turn us around. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness
Siblings in Christ, let us proclaim the Good News:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, reconciled, loved, and changed. Amen.

Hymn Be Thou My Vision UMH 451

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.

Generosity Moment

Rev. Nancy Martin

*Doxology

UMH 94

Offertory Prayer

Brian Blankenship

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). Children can also stay in their seats.

Hymn

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

UMH 724 v. 1-3

Prayer of Illumination

Brian Blankenship

Scripture

Deuteronomy 32:1-10, 44-52 (NRSVUE)

"Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak;
let the earth hear the words of my mouth.

May my teaching drop like the rain,
my speech condense like the dew,
like gentle rain on grass,
like showers on new growth.

For I will proclaim the name of the Lord,
ascribe greatness to our God!

The Rock, his work is perfect,
and all his ways are just.

A faithful God, without deceit,
just and upright is he;

yet his degenerate children have dealt falsely with him,
a perverse and crooked generation.

Do you thus repay the Lord,
O foolish and senseless people?

Is not he your father who created you,
who made you and established you?

Remember the days of old;
consider the years long past;

ask your father, and he will inform you,
your elders, and they will tell you.

When the Most High apportioned the nations,
when he divided humankind,

he fixed the boundaries of the peoples
according to the number of the gods;

the Lord's own portion was his people,
Jacob his allotted share.

He sustained him in a desert land,

in a howling wilderness waste;

he shielded him, cared for him,
guarded him as the apple of his eye...

Moses came and recited all the words of this song in the hearing of the people, he and Joshua son of Nun. When Moses had finished reciting all these words to all Israel, he said to them, "Take to heart all the words that I am giving in witness against you today; give them as a command to your children, so that they may diligently observe all the words of this law. This is no trifling matter for you but rather your very life; through it you may live long in the land that you are crossing over the Jordan to possess." On that very day the Lord addressed Moses as follows: "Ascend this mountain of the Abarim, Mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab across from Jericho, and view the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the Israelites for a possession; you shall die there on the mountain that you ascend and shall be gathered to your kin, as your brother Aaron died on Mount Hor and was gathered to his kin, because both of you broke faith with me among the Israelites at the waters of Meribath-kadesh in the wilderness of Zin, by failing to maintain my holiness among the Israelites. Although you may view the land from a distance, you shall not enter it, the land that I am giving to the Israelites."

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rev. Nancy Martin

Hymn

Seek Ye First

UMH 405

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH 13

*Closing Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

UMH 64

*Benediction

Rev. Nancy Martin

Postlude

Judy Shaw

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The asterisk (*) indicates when to stand in body or spirit;

UMH stands for the United Methodist Hymnal; TFWS stands for The Faith We Sing. Find these books in the pews.

Children are welcome in all aspects of our worship service. They can stay with their adult(s) or attend nursery or Children's Church. Nursery care is available starting at 9:45 AM for children four years old and under. Children's Church happens during our service, for those four years old through fifth grade, after the Children's Moment. Children learn more about the scripture we are focusing on in the worship service. Adults pick up their children after worship 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.

Holy Communion: We, in the United Methodist Church, practice Open Communion, meaning anyone who loves Jesus, who earnestly repents of their sin, and seeks to live in peace with one another is welcome to the table. We use bread or crackers and grape juice, so as to have as inclusive a table as possible. Gluten free wafers and individual cups of grape juice are available on the stand between serving stations. Please place your empty cup in the bowl.

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:

