Fairview United Methodist

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost | November 15, 2026 | 10 AM

Gathering Music — Judy Shaw, Director of Music

Greeting — Rev. Nancy Martin, Pastor

*Hymn — My Hope Is Built — UMH 368 v. 1-3

*Call to Worship — Suzanne Johnson, Liturgist

As we gather this day, each of us brings something to worship –
We bring the burdens of the week.
We bring prayers of hope, and prayers of anguish.
We bring our voices, and our offerings, and our questions.
We bring our faith, tattered or whole as it may be.
We bring all this to each other and to God, whom we worship today.

Call to Confession — Rev. Nancy Martin

Prayer of Confession

For not loving You with all our heart, O God;
For not loving our neighbor in the same way;
For not loving You with our whole soul, O God;
For not loving our neighbor in the same way;
For not loving You with our minds, O God;
For not loving our neighbor in the same way;
For not loving You with all our strength, O God;
For not loving our neighbor in the same way:
Forgive us, and show us Your kindness, that we might do the same.
Let us offer God our prayers in silence.

Words of Forgiveness — Rev. Nancy Martin

Now hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners. That proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

Hymn — Make Me a Channel of Your Peace — TFWS 2171

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). Children can also stay in their seats.

Hymn — I Stand Amazed in the Presence — UMH 371 v. 1, 2, 4

Prayer for Illumination — Suzanne Johnson

Scripture — Luke 10:30-37a (NRSVUE)

But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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

Sermon — Rev. Nancy Martin

Hymn — All People That on Earth Do Dwell — UMH 75 v. 1, 2, 4

Generosity Moment — Rev. Nancy Martin

*Doxology — UMH 94

Offertory Prayer — Suzanne Johnson

*Closing Hymn — Standing on the Promises — UMH 374 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. 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 basket.

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:

Thanksgiving Potluck

The season of gratitude is upon us, and we invite you to build community and connect at our annual **Fairview Thanksgiving Potluck**. This evening is dedicated to fellowship among our entire church and extended family and neighbors. All are welcome to attend!

Join Us For Dinner and Fellowship:

Date: Sunday, November 22
Time: 5:30 PM
Location: Fairview Church Multipurpose Room

What's on the Menu? We love variety! Please feel free to bring a traditional Thanksgiving dish or one of your favorite family potluck recipes. Whether it's macaroni and cheese, spaghetti casserole, salad, enchiladas, or any of your best cookies and pies—all dishes are welcome and appreciated!

How You Can Help The success of this evening rests on our community effort. Your assistance is truly valued! We welcome volunteers to help with providing food, cleaning up, and washing dishes during and after the meal.

RSVP and Rides Please sign up to register your attendance and let us know what dish you are bringing! You can scan the QR code or register in person in the Narthex at Fairview.

If you need a ride to the event, please call the church office at **(573) 445-5391**. We have a carpool ready to offer rides to anyone who needs assistance!

We look forward to giving thanks alongside you! Shari Lawson (573) 864-4345 and the Thanksgiving Potluck Planning Team.

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Where have you seen God today?
Where did you see God this week?
Share it with us! email office@frontyardchurch.org

Ways to Participate in the Life of our Church:

Youth Group: The Fairview Youth Group will meet every Sunday at 9:00 AM. This year youth group will be for people in 5th grade-12th grade. Invite a friend to attend with you! The Youth Room is in the alcove off the PreK rooms.

Sunday Bible Study: Join us for Bible study Sundays at 9:00 AM in the Pastor's Study. The class is currently discussing The Gospel According to John.

Sunday Book Study Group: Join us in the office at 11:15 AM to discuss the book "Dwelling Places: Words to Live in Every Season" by Lucinda Secrest McDowell.

Craft Evening: Come to the church office/library on second Fridays 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 **January 8 at 6:00 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, December 12 at 8:30 AM**.

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!

Generosity Opportunity: The Hands and Feet on the Street group is collecting winter supplies for the unhoused of our community in the month of November. On the last Sunday of the month the group will hand out the donations with cookies and hot chocolate. All donations are welcome so if you want to share your gift of baking cookies, please let Jessica Becker know. In December they'll be collecting items for the students of Douglas High School for their Holiday Bizarre. This event provides students the opportunity to "shop" for free gifts for themselves and their loved ones, allowing them to experience the joy of generosity and giving during the holiday season.

Set Up, Decorate, Adorn: Saturday, November 28 we have so many opportunities to be generous with your presence and service! Staring at 8:30 AM we'll gather on the front lawn to begin putting up the Little Bethlehem Set. At 10 AM we'll gather in the narthex to decorate for Advent and adorn the sanctuary with our Advent Wreath and Chrismon Tree. I hear there are usually donuts! Fun fact: Chrismon is a mash-up word of "Christ" and "monogram." Every ornament on our Chrismon Tree represents Christ.

Nativity Play Practice: Fairview Kids and Youth will present a Christmas Play called "The Simple Small Gifts of Christmas" during worship on Sunday, December 13. YOU are invited to participate! There is something for everyone. Practice will be following worship, today in the Children's Church Room. If you have any questions please email Sherri Cawley - shelynn830@gmail.com

Mark Your Calendar for these upcoming events:

Little Bethlehem 2026 Prep Night **Friday, December 11 at 6:00 PM**
Little Bethlehem 2026 **Saturday & Sunday, December 12 & 13 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

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