

The e-link



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Fairview United Methodist Church • Maryville, Tennessee

January 7, 2018 — January 13, 2018

From the Pastor's Desk

It's a few days late, but I want to wish you a "Happy New Year!" I've shared in multiple settings how my Advent and Christmas was one of the best I can remember. I can also say the New Year has been likewise. Joy, Elizabeth and I were able to spend a few days away together - connecting and reconnecting; though for only a few days, these days at the end of one year, and the beginning of a new year are some of my favorite days of the year for our family.

While I enjoyed my family time, my mind has not been far from Fairview UMC, and how we will begin the new year together. I've been thinking about our new sermon series, as I am seeking to be open to what the Spirit is saying to me and doing in my life, and how that will impact what I communicate in my preaching over the coming weeks.

One of the phrases I heard again, and again, during my time in Israel was Ray Vander Laan's penetrating question, "Are you 'All In'?" It was a powerfully annoying, disturbing, nagging, and redemptive and graceful question for the two weeks we walked with him, and it has continued to be so for the ten weeks since I have returned. "Are you, 'All In'?" The interesting thing is, Gilbert Harris suggested I read Mark Batterson's book, "All In," more than a year ago. Since returning from Israel, I've now read Batterson's book and it only confirmed for me I was on the right track for our new year's sermon series. I want to encourage you to get a copy of and read, "All In." It is well written, and it's an easy read; it too is both challenging, redemptive, and "grace filled."

This Sunday we will begin the "All In" series. If there's a theme verse for the series it would be Joshua 3.5 (NLT) "*Then Joshua told the people, 'Purify (Consecrate [NIV]) yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do great wonders among you.'*" Reading both Joshua 3 and Joshua 24 would be helpful in preparation for our time of worship this Sunday. In the weeks that follow, we will spend time with people in the Bible who made the choice to be "All In." Noah, Abraham & Isaac, Caleb, and the woman who anointed Jesus' feet with the expensive perfume.

A new sermon series is always an opportunity to reengage with the Body of Christ. It's also an opportunity to invite friends, neighbors, relatives or associates who may not be involved with a Christian faith community. Would you be bold enough to pray - to ask God, to put someone on your heart, and in your mind, that you might invite them to worship with you as we begin this new year together?

I look forward to experiencing what God does in my and your life this year! "Are you "All In'?"

With my love and prayers,
Pastor Mickey

Sunday Worship Attendance:				
8:30 am	11 am-Main Campus	11 am-Remedy	6 pm-Evening	Total
219	257	97	No Service	573
2017 Annual Operating Budget:				\$1,619,630.00
Contributions Received This Week:				\$41,659.25
Operating Budget Contributions Received YTD:				\$1,583,664.86
2017 Mortgage Debt Outstanding (01/02/2018)				\$215,286.10
Building Fund Contributions Received This Week:				\$1,010.00

PRAYER

"We may have very little to give our friends, but however little of this world's goods we possess, we may give them the priceless treasure of our prayers."

Our deepest sympathy to: **Bob and Sally Van Keuren** on the death of Bob's sister, Carol Coltrain; **David Hill** on the death of his mother, Frances Evelyn Hill; **Family of Louise Love**; Louise's daughter is Lisa Langford

Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers.

MEMORIALS

In memory of **Will Van Keuren** to Music Ministries from Jim and Mary Ann Yoakum, Jim and Judy Wilkerson, Jack and Marcie Graves, and Larry and Linda Jordan.

In memory of **Marsha McConnell** to Missions from Inez Hash.

In memory of **Al Kolak** to the Building Fund from Richard and Ann Goldstine and HG&A Associates.

Do you enjoy teaching little ones about Jesus? How about encouraging them in a game that will keep them active? Fairview Sports Ministry is looking for a Head Coach for a PreK/K basketball team! There are 5-6 children per team in this age group. Practices are Thursday evenings at 5:30pm beginning the week of 12/11/17 (NO practices 12/25/17-12/29/17). In and out early on Saturday as these games are played at 8:30am - games begin 1/6/18 and end on 3/3/18. If interested, please call or text Lyn Byrd at 865-617-0596.

Sunday, January 07, 2018

- 8:30 AM Worship
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship - Remedy campus
- 11:00 AM Worship-central campus
- 2:00 PM Fusion Party at Crest Lanes
- 3:00 PM Sticks
- 4:00 PM Youth Choir
- 6:00 PM Worship

Monday, January 08, 2018

- 9:00 AM Learning Tree - Back to School
- 4:45 PM ADK
- 5:00 PM Basketball practice
- 6:30 PM SPR

Tuesday, January 09, 2018

- 6:00 AM Moms Prayer Group
- 9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool
- 5:00 PM Basketball practice
- 6:00 PM Mats for the Homeless

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

- 9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool
- 11:00 AM Wed Nights in the Mornings
- 6:00 PM Awana
- 6:00 PM Dream New Dreams
- 6:00 PM Fusion
- 6:15 PM Wednesday Bible Study
- 7:30 PM Pickle Ball

Thursday, January 11, 2018

- 9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool
- 5:00 PM Basketball practice

Friday, January 12, 2018

- 5:00 PM Basketball practice

Saturday, January 13, 2018

- 8:30 AM Basketball practice

KEENAGERS

WHAT: LUNCHEON

WHEN: FRIDAY, JANUARY 19TH

WHERE: FAIRVIEW GYM

PROGRAM: PRESENTATION ON ISRAEL TRIP

Please join us as a program will be presented by Linda Chapman Miller (and possibly others), who participated this past October on a trip to Israel, led by Ray Vander Laan. She will present a slide show with pictures and narration, followed by questions and discussion.

Lunch will be Gondolier lasagna, salad and desserts. The sign up sheet will be available at the Welcome Table on Sunday, January 7. Questions? Contact Eloise Landers, 983-3880. Hope to see you there!



Inclement weather!!!! is heading our way! It's that time of year again when we face the possibilities of long lines at Kroger, Home Depot and the gas pump! In church we struggle as well with our "what to do with snow???" and "how much?" and "they are predicting...!" so... We encourage you to look on Facebook, the church's website and also the television stations. We will also be posting information on our voice mail at church. Stay tuned for more



Attention Ladies!

Please join us on Wednesday evenings starting January 10 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 207. We will be starting a study by Joyce Meyer called ***Beauty for Ashes***. Through this study, Joyce Meyer will outline truths that brought healing in her life and describes how others can experience God's healing in their lives. For more information, please contact Kelly Stroud at ek2625@bellsouth.net or Trini Cunningham at tlc4him2@att.net.

Discerning the Voice of God

Come join us for our Monday Night Bible Study beginning
January 8, 2018 at 6:15pm in room 203.

We will study Priscilla Shiver's DISCERNING THE VOICE OF GOD (revised). Priscilla wrote the study 10 years ago, but has revisited and expanded the study. She asks us to "discover how to discern His voice in everyday life". We will gain knowledge and understanding of God's voice through His Word.

The study is 7 sessions long with daily workbook lessons. We gather to discuss the weekly lessons and view a video (the videos are 35/40 minutes). To reserve a workbook, please contact Yvonne at the church or Barbara Thompson at thompsonb511@charter.net, or call/text 865-680-2511.

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In the Beginning...A Study of Genesis

Beginning January 9 at 9:30 Tina Spannbauer will be facilitating Jen Wilkin's new Study on Genesis. This is a 11 week study covering chapters 1-11.

To reserve a workbook, please contact Yvonne at yshelgren@fairview-umc.org.

A Woman who Doesn't Quit

Five Habits From the Book of Ruth

Come out to the Remedy Coffee Shop on Tuesday nights as Jennifer Kirst facilitates this exciting new study. Classes will begin on January 30th.

Unfolding over 6 sessions, Nicki Koziarz walks women through the Book of Ruth, focusing on the Moabite woman's 5 practical habits that kept her eyes on God: Ruth accepted the assignment of refinement, followed through on her commitments despite her feelings, remained open to the movement of God, gave others what she needed, and moved forward in faith.

Contact Yvonne to reserve a book at yshelgren@fairview-umc.org.



JANUARY

3rd NO AWANA -Winter Break continues

7th: Fusion Social- Bowling at Crest Lanes (2:30-4:30 PM)

10th: AWANA RESUMES (6-7:30 pm) **"Silly Hair" Night**

28th: Fusion Confirmation Retreat next Payment due (\$55)



FUSION SOCIAL

January 7th

2:30-4:30 pm



CREST BOWLING LANES

\$5 per person

(includes shoes, games, & pizza)

Please RSVP by Friday, January 5th

to Mollianne Hubbs (865.607.4379)



The Wardrobe and the Princess Daughters of the King!

Remedy Campus will be turned into a beautiful boutique for young ladies in Blount County that cannot afford the cost of prom this spring.

We are seeking prayers for this ministry and donations. If you have a prom dress hanging in a closet we would love to give it a new owner! We also need shoes and jewelry and lots of help! We want to give each young lady a dress, hair style and a photo of her night.

Please contact Yvonne at yshelgren@fairview-umc.org or 865-983-2080 if you can help with this great ministry in any way!