

The e-link



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Fairview United Methodist Church • Maryville, Tennessee

April 29-May 5, 2018

From the Pastor's Desk

In recent weeks there has been much conversation regarding our relationship with one of the local missions Fairview supports – Family Promise. You should have received a message from me on Friday of last week regarding this. I know Pastor Gilbert spoke to you about this on Sunday morning. I want to thank you for the wonderful feedback you have given me on Pastor Gilbert's worship leadership on Sunday. I know he faithfully led you in a time of prayer for this matter.

This Sunday afternoon our Church Council will revisit the question around Family Promise in a called session at 2:00 p.m. Our Board of Trustees who are responsible for building usage and policy will make this recommendation to the Council: "FUMC will continue association with Family Promise, an Interfaith Organization, with the stipulation that couples will only share a bedroom if they are married and heterosexual." I am in full support of the Board of Trustees recommendation.

The Council has already heard from many in the congregation regarding the specifics of how we should extend hospitality to our guests from Family Promise. What I want to encourage you to do now is "pray." Pray for your church leadership! There is no one answer to this that everyone at Fairview will agree with. I know that from your emails, phone calls, and face to face conversations. What we need more of right now is prayer: prayers for discernment, and unity. Let me ask you to do this - if your schedule allows, please come by the church sanctuary over the next few days to pray. The church is open today, Thursday, and Friday 8:30 am—8:30 pm.

That which concerns me deeply right now is how pulled apart from one another many of us find ourselves. Oddly enough one of my devotional readings this week (it has felt like a moment of God's provision for me), speaks to this, and so I want to share from one of John Wesley's sermons. *"Do not allow yourself one thought of separating from your brothers and sisters, whether their opinions agree with yours or not. Do not dream that anyone sins in not believing you, in not taking your work; or that this or that opinion is essential to the work, and both must stand or fall together. Beware of any impatience of contradiction. Do not condemn or think harshly of those who cannot see just as you see, or who judge it their duty to contradict you, whether in a great thing or a small. I fear some of us have thought harshly of others merely because they contradicted what we affirmed. All this tend to division; and by everything of this kind we are teaching them an evil lesson against ourselves."* (-John Wesley, "A Longing For Holiness")

This Sunday we conclude our series: ". . .so that you may continue to believe. . ." We will focus on Matthew 28.16-20 and Luke 24.38-53. The title of the message is: "Some of them doubted." I look forward to worshipping with you on Sunday.

With my love and prayers,

Pastor Mickey

FUMC "By the Numbers" Week of April 15, 2018

Sunday Worship Attendance:

8:30 am	11 am- Main Campus	11 am- Remedy	6 pm- Evening	Total
305	296	127	18	746

*watching the service on line 4/22 (69)

2018 Annual Operating Budget:	\$1,701,261.74
Contributions Received This Week:	\$27,336.15
Operating Budget Contributions Received YTD:	\$506,120.92
2018 Building Loan with TVA CU	\$198,706.35
Building Fund Contributions Received This Week:	\$805.00
Other Designated funds Received This Week:	\$660.00



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: **Anita & Noel Cotton, Jamie & Patrick Chapman** and families on the death of Anita's mother, Shirley Holdman and to Jr. Chastain, Katie Kiser and family on the death of Jr.'s wife, Mary.

Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers.

In Loving Memory

A memorial has been given in memory of Rev. Tom Harris from Ralph and Roberta Petree. It has been designated to Missions. We appreciate the gift and the love it represents.

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee invites the Fairview family to a Retirement Celebration honoring Roxanna Jones on Sunday, May 20th, between services during the Sunday School hour. Come join us as we thank Roxanna for her 21 years of faithful service at Fairview as we send her off with our blessing for the next chapter in her life. Feel free to bring cards, love offering, and/or memories to share with Roxanna.



Schedule of Events

Sunday, April 29, 2018

8:30 AM	Worship
9:45 AM	Baby Bottle Breakfast
9:45 AM	Parent Mtg. for Fusion Class
9:45 AM	Sunday School
11:00 AM	Worship - Remedy campus
11:00 AM	Worship-central campus
12:30 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal
2:00 PM	Church Council - A203
3:00 PM	Faithful Men
3:00 PM	Sticks
4:00 PM	Youth Choir
4:30 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal
5:00 PM	Safe Sanctuary training - A203
6:00 PM	Senior Recognition Dinner and Worship
6:00 PM	Worship - Children's Choir musical

Monday, April 30, 2018

9:00 AM	Learning Tree	B104
10:00 AM	Tabitha Knitters	
6:30 PM	Finance Mtg.	A123

Tuesday, May 01, 2018

6:00 AM	Moms Prayer Group - A207
9:00 AM	Learning Tree
9:30 AM	Tuesday Morning Bible Study - A203
10:00 AM	Best Tedford Circle
2:00 PM	Dona Steppe Circle
6:00 PM	Women's Bible Study - Kirst

Wednesday, May 02, 2018

9:00 AM	Learning Tree- vision screening
6:00 PM	Dream New Dreams
6:00 PM	Awana Parent Night
6:00 PM	Orchestra
6:00 PM	Women's Bible Study - A207
6:15 PM	Jr. High Youth MP205
6:30 PM	Compelled (18-26)
6:30 PM	Financial Peace
6:30 PM	Worship Choir
7:00 PM	Youth Dance
8:00 PM	Sr. High Youth

Thursday, May 03, 2018

6:30 AM	Men's Bible Study - MP108
9:00 AM	Learning Tree-vision screening
10:00 AM	Beginner Flexibility and Balance
10:00 AM	Quilting
4:30 PM	Flexibility and Balance

Friday, May 04, 2018

7:00 PM	A.A. Meeting	A203
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Saturday, May 05, 2018

11:00 AM	Church Ladies Brunch
3:00 PM	Confirmation Baptism at Wesley Woods

Heritage Sunday, **May 6**

One service - the family together!

11 a.m. - service at main campus



Great Worship with some
“down home, foot stomping



Costume contests—dress up
in whatever decade you
choose! Prizes awarded



Pie eating contest or join us
at the Cake Walk and take
one home!

We begin with worship AS ONE
FAMILY at 11 am on the main cam-
pus!

THEN

- Pot luck: bring 2 dishes to share and we'll provide the barbeque, corn, buns and drinks!
- Lots of games and contests with prizes!
- Petting zoo! Photo booth! Rock climber! Slide bounce! Etc! etc! etc!
- Old fashioned games: sack races, pie eating contest! Stick horse races!
- Musical group in the sanctuary
- Cake walk!
- Back by popular demand BILLY MINSER AND WILD MOUNTAIN MAN GAMES!
- Crochet craft demonstration, quilting demonstrations!



Children's art contest and crafts!



Water balloon toss! Or watch your
preaches get wet at the dunking booth!



Obstacle course, climbing wall,



Dunking booth!

cakewalk

CALLING ALL BAKERS!!!
We need home-made cakes as prizes for our Cake Walk on Heritage Sunday. If you love to bake- please consider donating a cake for this fun event. Call Becky Garner at 865 919-6004.



GLOBAL MINISTRIES

The United Methodist Church

In response to last week's presentation, here is how you can donate directly to The Hope Center through "The Advance":

By check :

Payable to **"ADVANCE GCFA"** with **"Hope Center of Latvia (#3020447)"** in the note line. Mail to:

ADVANCE GCFA
PO Box 9068
New York, NY 10087-9068

By credit card:

Go online to www.umcmission.org

Search for **"Hope Center of Latvia"** under projects.

You will have the opportunity to give a one-time or recurring gift by credit card.

(There is a desperate need for recurring gifts, no matter how small, to provide a dependable income stream.)

CIRCLE NEWS: Best Tedford Circle— please join us for our circle meeting on Tuesday, May 1 at 10:00 am in the small dining room for fellowship. We will be paying special attention to our shut-ins this month. Shirley and Mary Hazel will be our hostesses and we look forward to having you and any new ladies that would like to join us. Looking forward to seeing you!

JOIN US FOR:



"Everybody Ought to Know"

Presented by

Fairview's Kids' Choir

Sunday, April 29 at 6 p.m.

WELCOME! We are so pleased to welcome to our staff Olivia Mund and Christina Hendrix! Olivia will be joining us starting on Monday, Apr. 30 as Fairview's first time ever full time Director of Communications and Christina Hendrix joined us part time on Apr. 1 as our Children's Ministry assistant.



Olivia is a recent graduate from Berry College where she was on the Dean's List . She graduated from there in 2017 with a double major – Creative Technologies and Creative Writing. What should you know about Olivia? Check her out on Facebook and you'll find her saying, "all I need to make me happy is Jesus, Jake and coffee!" On Saturday, May 26 Olivia will be getting married. Her new husband-to-be is Jake Massingill. Please welcome Olivia.

Also joining us is Christina Hendrix. Christina is already hard at work and has been helping with the children's egg hunt, Awana, confirmation details, etc. She and her husband Chris have 3 beautiful girls, Chloe, Emma, and Lydia. Please help us welcome Christina to our Fairview staff.



YARD WORK TIME IS HERE!

Youth choir teens will come to your home and assist you with flower beds, yard work, spotless windows, organized garages, and power washed walkways. We have willing teens who want to earn money for their summer music ministry trip. They will help you with the labor at your home this spring. Hire a youth today and get the dirty work out of the way. Contact Christine Valentino @ 740-6647 to schedule your teens.

Senior Banquet 2018!

When? April 29th, 2018 5:30pm

Where? Trent Hall, Remedy Campus

Why? To celebrate the wonderful High school class of 2018 and to reminisce on the good old days before blessing the future of our seniors.

Cost? It is free

Attire? Easter Best!

Can I bring guests? Yes! Bring any family members or friends that you want to celebrate your graduation and future.

What should I bring or prepare? You should email any pictures you want on the senior slideshow to Mindy.

RSVP? Yes! RSVP to Mindy Reagan (865-803-1490) (mindyreagan@gmail.com).

We hope to see you at the Senior Banquet and celebrate what an awesome person you are!



Samaritan Hands is leading two teams to

Guatemala this Spring and has openings for interested individuals.

The first group will travel May 26 - June 2 and participate in VBS and construction ministry projects.



A medical missions team will travel June 2 - 9 and we would love to have additional medical professionals and assistants join the team.

If you have any interest in traveling with us, please contact Kerry Russell at (865) 214-6953 or

SamaritanHandsTN@gmail.com.





APRIL

25th: Awana "SUPER STORE" Night (6-7:30pm)

29th: Fusion Parent/Student Lesson (9:45am in the Sanctuary)

29th: Safe Sanctuary Refresher & First Time Training Sessions offered (5:00 pm. Location TBA)

29th: Children's Choir Spring Concert (6:00 pm)



DON'T KNOW WHERE TO SERVE?

CHECK OUT THE VBS STATION FOR COMPLETE JOB DESCRIPTIONS



CONFIRMATION CLASS 2018 - Join us Saturday, May 5 at 3 pm at Wesley Woods when we baptize students from this year's confirmation class. And, then celebrate with us on Sunday night, May 6 following the activities of Heritage Sunday when we welcome these as our newest members of the Fairview family. The service begins at 6 pm. in the sanctuary. The confirmation class will be welcomed into the youth department and invited to join in their first youth activity with a dodgeball tournament following the service.



TONIGHT'S THEME:

"SUPER STORE" Night

Bring your Awana Bucks and shop at our last &
BIGGEST STORE!!

WEDNESDAY 6-7:30pm



PARENT NIGHT PROGRAM WILL BE NEXT WEEK, MAY 2ND, 6:00 PM
IN THE SANCTUARY

SAFE SANCTUARY Training & Refresher Courses

This is a United Methodist Church policy that anyone who is volunteering to work with Protected Persons (children under the age of 18 years) must be certified, and renewed annually.

If you're due for your annual refresher or have never attended a Safe Sanctuary Training, then call the Office (865.983.2080) to Register for one of the dates below.
Please state if you need an initial training or a brief Refresher course.

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| April 29 | (5 pm) |
| May 20 | (immediately after last service) |
| June 3 | (immediately after last service) |