FAIRVIEW FAMILY NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2018



February 2018 Newsletter Deadline January 21st, 2018

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Special Points of Interest:

- Bible Study Resumes Wednesday, January 3rd
- Unity Prayer Watch Wednesday, January 10th, 12:00 am to 6:00 am
- Congregational Birthday Party Saturday, January 20th at 5:00 pm eat at 6:00pm

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Can You Hear Me Now???

A few years ago, a commercial for one of the wireless networks aired on television. The memorable line used several times throughout the commercial was :"Can you hear me now ?"

When I think about that question, I immediately focus on the importance of listening. A key area in interpersonal relationships is the ability to listen to one another. Communication is central to understanding each other. And the most important part of true communication is listening. As far as the speaking part goes, most of us are pretty good at that. It is the listening part, that many of us need to concentrate on. For example: When you are in a conversation, have you caught yourself thinking about what you will say after the other person is finished talking, instead of intently listening to that person as they speak? It is likely that we have done that and perhaps missed part of what the person was saying.

This brings me to the topic of listening to God. Does God communicate with us today? Some might say that they have never heard God's voice. Yet, we know that God does communicate with us in any number of ways. It may be on the listening end (our end) that the line is not working..... To be sure, God is listening to our prayers, reflections, thoughts, pleas, questions, etc. He hears it all. As the words of the camp song remind us: "His line ain't ever busy. Tell Him what you want."

If we understand how God speaks, perhaps we can know better how to listen. The prophet Elijah in 1 Kings, Chapter 19, learned that God does not usually speak through wind, earthquake or fire. Rather, God spoke through a "still, small voice.".... God does not usually stand squarely in our path and force us to listen to him. God does not usually thunder His voice from the sky in audible sound so that it rings in our ears. God does not usually flash bright

light upon us in the middle of the night while we are in bed to get our attention. Most of the time, God communicates with us in a "still, small, voice." And to hear His voice, we need to be attentive, quiet, still, and listening with expectation. God's Spirit does speak to us when we take the time to truly listen. It may be a voice that we hear, an insight that comes out of the blue, an image in our mind's eye, a sense of divine leading that we know for certain it is from God.

God is communicating with us. Every believer has the capacity to hear. In the New Year, let us pray for divine guidance, for an attentive spirit and for listening ears to what our Lord is saying to us, our church, and to the world.

Listening with you in 2018.

Pastor Scott

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP NEWS



Our Annual Congregational Birthday Party date is Saturday, January 20th at 5:00pm. . Snow date is

Saturday, January 27th. The meal will be prepared by the Women's Fellowship as a gift to the congregation.

The Executive Board of the Women's Fellowship gave a luncheon for members of the four circles on December 6. A delicious meal was served, some said it was the best meal ever. Lewis sang "White Christmas" and the Pastor told us an inspiring story entitles, "The Landlady".

The Executive Board wishes you a New Year filled with God's Blessings.

Please be in prayer for our "New" Executive Board Members:

Shirley Byerly, President Pat Sapp, V. President Jeanne Willard, Treasurer Diane Hubbard, Secretary Corky Flowers, Publications

Reminders:

Hospice: Circle 1– Tuesday, January 9th

Circle Project for January: TBA

Executive Board Meeting: Monday, January 22th - 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room



January Birthdays

- 4 Nancy Davis
- 5 Earlette Peek
- 9 Warren Boyer, Nancy Manuel
- 11 Teri Crowe, Karlynn Morgan, Leslie Van Horn
- 13 Susan Worsley
- 14 Mollie Schultz
- 15 Danny Ferguson, Sarah Faircloth
- 16 Gail Stambaugh
- 17 Everett Freeman
- 19 Bill Davis, Barbara Giesler, Dorcas Hauser
- 21 Doris Bostian, John Snyder
- 22 Pat Sapp
- 25 Michael Kimel
- 29 Tessa Canter, Jean Townsend
- 30 Jeanne Willard, Larry Wright

February

- 2 Cynthia Faircloth
- 3 Jolleen Johnson, Lorena Gray



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Lunch & Bible Study Resumes

On Wednesday, January 3rd, we will resume our Lunch & Bible Study at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. Make plans to come and enjoy Bible Study, food and fellowship with other Fairview members and friends. Invite your neighbors and friends to join you!

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RCC SERVICE PROJECT -"HEARTS FIGHTING HUNGER"

During the months of January and February, the Pilot Mountain Regional Conference of Churches (RCC), of which Fairview is a member, is participating in a service project entitled "Hearts Fighting Hunger". Beginning January 14 and continuing for each Sunday through February 11th, we will be collecting specific food items to be given to hungry people locally through the Bethabara Moravian Church Food Pantry.

On Sunday, January 14, we are asking members to bring to the church packages of dried pinto beans. On Sunday, January 21, we are asking folks to bring white rice. On Sunday, January 28th, we are asking that Ziploc quart size bags be brought to church. On Sunday, February 4th, all three items will be received. On February 11th, members of the RCC churches will gather in the afternoon (3:00-5:00) at Bethabara to assemble the food bags and place them in the food pantry there. These will be distributed on Valentines Day (February 14th) to needy families, hence the project name - "Hearts Fighting Hunger".

We are excited to be doing this project with our sister Moravian Churches Bethabara, Oak Grove, Fulp, and Providence. Kimberly Brendle is the contact person for our congregation. Please consider supporting this important outreach to the less fortunate in our community.



Notes from Lewis

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the many cards, gifts, goodies, and other remembrances during the Christmas season. I am constantly overwhelmed by your kindness and generosity!

I would also like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to our Chancel Choir. This group works very hard during the entire year. They rehearse at least an hour each week, and most weeks it is closer to 1.5 hours. I can't imagine our Sunday worship services without the music from the choir and the accompaniment provided by Nancy Morgan! The choir worked very hard on the music for our Christmas Lovefeasts as well as music for our worship services each Sunday. I think that hard work certainly paid off. Your remarks to me, both spoken and written, have been very uplifting and I would encourage you to share these thoughts with the choir members as you have opportunity. Let them know how much you appreciate their contribution to our worship services each week throughout the year.

I would also like to thank our Adult Handbell Choir for their contribution to our worship services during the Advent season. This group has only been rehearsing for a few weeks and have really worked hard to be able to play during this wonderful season. They are doing an excellent job and I look forward to many other great things from them.

It is such a blessing and a privilege to serve with you here at Fairview Moravian Church and I look forward to another year together. I pray God's richest blessings on each of you in 2018!



Fairview Friends Fellowship Schedule

Thursday, January 25th, 12:00Noon

We will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a covered dish meal and then play White Elephant Bingo. This would be a great time for you to get rid of some of those Christmas presents that you just don't have much use for! Bring these wrapped gifts and we will use them as our Bingo prizes. After all, one person's trash is another person's treasure! Make your plans to be here for a great time of fellowship together. This would also be a great time to invite someone new to join us for our Fairview Friends Fellowship!

A BIG thank you to our Fairview Church family for supporting the "Salvation Army Stocking" project. Because of your love and generosity, 89 special children had a Merry Christmas. A special thank you to the youth and adults that came out to help "stuff" the stockings and also to the Women's Fellowship for providing the meal. What a wonderful church family we have here at Fairview!





Fairview's Weather Policy

In the event of inclement weather on Sundays, please watch WXII-TV (channel 12) or turn your radio to WSJS for cancellation announcements which will be called in.

Нарру, Нарру, Нарру 2018!

We have enjoyed serving Fairview this year as volunteers in the Amazing Grace Clothes Closet. We have given away 699 bags of clothing this year! We have thoroughly enjoyed the families who come to choose clothing. We find them to be appreciative, kind, thoughtful and in need of this service.

Thanks to everyone who has supported us by donating clothes, and sending prayers for this church mission. A special thanks to Ken Hauser, Bill Wright, and Patricia Rau for their support and behind the scene help in keeping the closet running smoothly. We look forward to continuing this much needed community service in 2018.

May the New Year fill you with God's blessings and peace! Eugenia Ivy, Carolyn Neal, Gayle Stambaugh, Liz Venable, Amy Mendenhall and Phyllis Footland

Winston-Salem's Winter Overflow Homeless Shelter

"City with Dwellings is a cooperative group working to engage our whole community in the effort to end homelessness in Winston-Salem." Their primary program is operating the W-S winter Overflow Shelter. Each night there are opportunities for volunteering overnight, bringing meals, extending hospi-

tality or driving a bus to transport guests. Congregations and individuals can also give to this volunteer based ministry by donating items for blessing bags. Blessing bags contain essential toiletry items and a pair of socks. Following is a list of needs that will be ongoing through the shelter season. If you

collect items please drop them off at Anthony's Plot anytime or the Board of Cooperative Ministries office at 500 South Church Street. For more information visit <u>citywithdwellings.org</u> Items Needed: (travel size)

non-alcohol mouthwash, hand sanitizer, small packs of tissues, deodorant, baby powder, small packs of wipes, hand warmers, Chap Stick, toboggans, un-



* * * **REPORTING CHURCH COUNCIL** * * Sunday, February 11th, 2018

If you were a Committee Chair in 2017, or Secretary of the Weber Memorial SS Class, or President of the Women's Fellowship; Treasurer of MSMC, Friendship SS Class, or Fairview Friends; or in charge of the Fairview Bus, you need to have your report to Church Council ready and in the Church Office by Sunday, January 28th! It takes time to collect them, get them copied, and ready to be given out in report form. Thanks for your help in this matter.



I want to thank everyone for their prayers and cards as I am recovering from surgery. Linda Self

We want to say a special thank you to our Fairview Church family, for the cards, calls and prayers we received during Harry's recent illness. We are truly blessed to be part of a loving and caring church family.

Pat and Harry Sapp

Church Treasurer's Report

November 2017

Church Annual Budget	\$444,835.00			
YTD Church Budgeted	\$444,835.00 YTD Church Actual Income YTD TFR Terry Family Endowment		\$315,247.26 \$51,814.08	
	YTD TFR To or From Other Funds YTD Total Revenue YTD Church Actual Expense	***	\$0.00	\$367,061.34 -\$361,397.46
	Over/(Shortage) Church Revenue vs. Expenses YTD			\$5,663.88
MTD Church Budgeted	\$37,069.59 MTD Church Actual Income MTD TFR Terry Family Endowment		\$26,611.50 \$4,276.66	
	MTD TFR to or from Other Funds MTD Total Revenue MTD Church Actual Expenses	***	\$0.00	\$30,888.16 -\$41,892.60
	Over/(Shortage) Church Revenue vs. Expenses MTD			-\$11,004.44
	Church Disbursed November, 2017 Salaries, Allowances, Social Security Outreach/Good Shepherd/Evangelism Lovefeast/Communion Expense Music & Worship Christian Education & Youth Office Expense Insurance-Church & Bus Utilities Buildings, Equipment, Grounds, Maintenance Other- Operating Expense Benevolence-Missions Provincial Share Church Total November Expenses	21,905.16 179.74 426.40 5629.67 0.00 1,273.02 0.00 3,006.62 6,432.94 976.88 0.00 5,499.34 440,329.77		
	<u>Checking Accounts as of November 30, 2017</u> BB&T - General Fund Restricted Fund Associate Pastor Restricted Fund Benevolence Fund Youth Fellowship Repairs/Reserve Account Held in Trust Money Market Accounts Sanctuary Renovation Account Blum Chapel Ministerial and Pastoral Education Fund	-\$32,339.29 \$44,300.02 \$76,729.03 \$538.94 \$837.12 \$222,184.07 \$28,328.03 -\$4,402.00 \$13,964.45 \$127.56		
	<u>Sanctuary Renovation as of November 30, 2017</u> Total Owing Reserve Money Market for Sanctuary Renovation	\$4,402.00		

As always, many thanks to each of you for your financial stewardship. Patricia Rau, Treasurer



A "Thank You" from Dick and Ellen Joyce...

We want to say a heart-felt thanks to our dieners and coffee makers – Fairview has one of the most efficient Lovefeasts around. Planning and work for next year has already begun.

We also thank our ushers, choir, band, nursery workers, office staff, bulletin stuffers, candle makers, candle trimmers, and ALL who work diligently for a period of weeks prior to, and after, our Christmas Candlelight Lovefeasts to make these services so meaningful to our church members and to our wider community. A special thank you to Melissa Thompson for the Christmas Eve meal for our lovefeast workers!

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TAI CHI Tuesday's at 3:00p.m. Back to Basics Every Monday and Friday at 6:00 pm-AB	Saturday	 6 8:00 am Amazing Grace Clothes Closet open until Noon 9:00 am Remove Tree from Sanctuary 10:00 am B&G Mtg 6:00pm Koinonia Class Christmas Party at the Shields Home 	13 9:00 am Remove Star from the Sanctuary	20 5:00 pm Congregational Birthday Party	27 Snow Date for Congrega- tional Birthday Party	
	Friday	5 8:00 am Men's Breakfast at K & W on Healy Drive	12	19	26	$\begin{array}{l} \textbf{AB} = Activity Building\\ \textbf{BC} = Blum Chapel\\ \textbf{CR} = Canference Room\\ \textbf{FH} = Fellowship Hall\\ \textbf{HR} = Handbell Room\\ \textbf{P} = Parlor\\ \textbf{S} = Sanctuary \end{array}$
Kairview Moraviar	Thursday	4 10:00 am Activity Building being used for private function until 1:00 pm 7:00pm Maggie Styers Missionary Chapter Mtg-CR	1	18	25 9:45am Fairview Friends- White Elephant Bingo-FH.	
	Wednesday	3 10:00 am Circle #1-AB 10:30 am Circle #2-CR Noon LunchBible study-FH 5:45 pm Handbells —HR 7:00 pm Choir Practice	10 12:00 am Unity Prayer Watch until 6:00am Noon LunchBible Study-FH 5:45 pm Handbells 7:00 pm Choir Practice-S	17 Noon LunchlBible Study-FH 5:45 pm Handbells-HR 7:00 pm Choir Practice-S	24 Noon LunchlBible Study-FH 5:45 pm Handbells-HR 7:00 pm Choir Practice-S	31 Noon LunchBible Study-FH 5:45 pm Handbells-HR 7:00 pm Choir Practice-S
	Tuesday	2 10:00 am Circle #4-P 10:00 am Staff Meeting	9 10:00 am Staff Meeting 11:00 am Outreach & Special Events Committee Mtg-CR	16 9:00 am Garden Club-AB 10:00 am Staff Meeting	23 10:00 am Staff Meeting	30 10:00 am Staff Meeting
	Monday	1 Church Office Closed	8 7:00 pm Joint Board MtgP then Elder-P and Trustee- CR Mtgs. to follow	15 Church Office Closed MLK Day 7:00 pm Circle #3	22 10:30 am Vomen's Fellowship Executive Board MtgCR 5:30 pm Christian Education Committee MtgCR	29
Congregational Birthday Party January 20 th 5:00p.m.	Sunday		T 9:30 am Band Prelude 10:00 am Worship-Holy Communion 11:10am Sunday School	14 10:00 am Worship 11:10 am Sunday School	21 10:00 am Worship 11:10 am Sunday School Newsletter Deadline	28 10:00 am Worship 11:10 am Sunday School 4:30 pm Band Practice-BC

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One of our members, Conrad Carter, passed away on December 11th. We express our sympathy to his daughter, Susan Carter-Hope and son-in-law, Gary Hope, and the extended Carter family.



Congratulations to:

...**Kristen Cater and Jerry Hailey** who were united in marriage on Saturday, December 2nd.

...**Amy Hailey and Brad Poole** who were united in marriage on Saturday, December 16th.



We want to thank those of you who gave us goodies, gift cards, and gifts made from your very own hands for Christmas! We are blessed to be a part of this wonderful congregation!

We pray you will have a wonderful Happy New Year !

Scott, Lewis, Victoria, Patricia, Don, Van,



Remember Our Members in Assisted Living and Nursing Facilities

Adams Farm Living & Rehabilitation Mary Louise Berger - #204

Brighton Gardens Walter Tuttle - #353

Brookdale Senior Living - Peace Haven Road Henrietta Green

Salemtowne Health Care/ Rehabilitation **Dorothy Andrews -** #117

Bermuda Village - Greystone Apt. Betty Beeson - #103

Trinity Village-Hickory Ilene Peddycord

Sand Piper Retirement Home Bill Freeman

Priddy Manor

Ruth Morgan

Limited Activity:

Tootie Barbour; Nelson Cannon; Victor Cannon; Betty Fulp; Gayle Heck; Doug Ivester; Lillie Mae and Bob Joyce; Ann and David Marcus; Opal Miller; Harry Sapp; Mary Saunders; Linda Self; Eleanor Swaim; Pat Thomason; Ken Tomberlin; E. Artis Weber



Unity Prayer Watch Wednesday, January 10th – 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.



Watch in 2018. Fairview will take part in this prayerful tradition between 12:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on Wednesday January 10th, 2018. Mark your calendars and plan to take a 15-minute time slot to pray for our community, leaders, friends and family. A sign-up sheet will be in the Parlor on Sundays through December 31st, 2017, or until the time slots are full. Thank you for



On Sunday, December 17th, we welcomed into the Fairview congregation Betty Sutton and Rick Vaughn. Please give them a warm Fairview welcome next time you see them.





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May the Lord direct our hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ. 2 Thessalonians 3:5

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Staff & Ministry Areas of Fairview

Rev. Scott Venable, Pastor (682-4635)
Rev. Victoria Lasley, Associate Pastor
Rev. Don Griffin, Visitation Pastor
Lewis Phillips, Music Director/Pastoral Assistant (749-4682)
Patricia Rau, Administrative Assistant/Treasurer
Jody Brendle, Chair of Trustees
GayNell Hutchens, Vice-Chair of Trustees
Pat Sapp, Vice-Chair of Elders
Van Krause, Band Director
Nancy Morgan, Pianist Annual Congregational Birthday Party Saturday, January 20th, 2018 5:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall



If you are having a BIRTHDAY in 2018, be sure to come to YOUR party on January 20th so we can help you CELEBRATE. Plan to be here at 5:00 wearing the tackiest BIRTHDAY SWEATER you can design and look forward to Fun, Games, Birthday gifts, Good food & Delicious Birthday Cake.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

Sponsored by the Outreach & Special Events Committee