## FAIRVIEW FAMILY NEWSLETTER MARCH 2018



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#### Special Points of Interest:

- Holy Week Schedule
- Great Sabbath Service
- Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>
- Men's Fellowship Yard/Estate Sale – April 7th at 8:00am
- W-F Soup & Salad Luncheon – Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>

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## It's Easter - "Come and See"

There is a story about a little boy named Kenneth who was learning to talk. Sometimes he got a few words confused. One Spring day flowers were bursting forth and the smells of the outdoors were beginning to be enticing. Kenneth was outside playing when he came running into the house talking about "flv butter". "Fly butter", he said several times pointing to the outdoors.

His mother couldn't seem to pick up his meaning. In exasperation he shouted, "Come and see!" So she followed him into the yard and proudly pointed to a flower. There on one of the flower petals was a small butterfly emerging from a chrysalis. "See", was all he said.

The butterfly is a symbol of the resurrection. Jesus rose from the tomb of death on that first Easter morning bringing hope, meaning, and new life to the world. From the cocoon of death the butterfly breaks forth as a beautiful creature representing life in all fullness.

Where do we see a butterfly emerging today? What situations invite, even compel us to say; "Come and see!".

As we take this Lenten journey together with Jesus, let us keep our eves and ears open to the people and situations that God places in our path. We know where the journey will take us. We know of the heights and depths of Jesus ministry. We know that his journey leads to an excruciating death on the cross followed by a victorious rising to new life on Easter morning. We walk every step of the way with him and give praise and thanks for God's amazing grace and love.

What we know, others also need to know, even though they might not realize it. Easter is a time to be attuned to what God is doing. It is a time to say through words and actions: "Come and see!". "Come and see" how the Living Lord is worshipped at Fairview. Come, see, and experience a spirit of love, joy and peace as hymns are sung and the Word of God is proclaimed. Come and see the care and concern that is genuinely expressed for others.

God is at work all the time! Could it be that we are having a certain conversation with a certain someone for a divine reason? Maybe that divine nudge is trying to get us to pick up the phone or send an email to someone who would love to hear from us. Perhaps our well-laid plans got interrupted for a godly reason. We never know what unexpected adventure God may have in store for us. So in this holy season, let us keep our eyes peeled to see His plan and our ears open to hear His still, small voice. That is what new life in Christ is all about. It's Easter! Come and see!!

Pastor Scott



#### The Women's Fellowship Executive Board wishes to express their thanks to all who cooked, served and supported the wonderful "Carpet Fund Raising" meal on Sunday, February 25, 2018. It was a great success.

Project for March will be for members to help clean and put flowers on

## WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP NEWS

the Graves in God's acre, on Saturday, March 31, 2018. Greenery is also needed.

Day of Prayer for Fairview will be on March 14, 2018. Pastor Don Griffin will be our speaker. The Band will play prior to. Communion will be served.

Food for the bereaved family: Circle No. 1

#### Executive Board Meeting:

#### Dear Fairview Friends,

This is just a little note to let you know what is happening for Carol and me.

I have volunteered to be the pastor at St. Philips Church which has fallen off so badly that it has few in attendance and can not afford a pastor. They are wonderful people and have struggled along for a long time with out a pastor and depending on supply ministers for Sunday services. I shall be preaching only twice a month, but be the full time pastor aiming to give that care to the people. I've already had a number of opportunities to meet that need. We have asked Scott to send our letters of transfer to the St. Philips Church, but continue to carry us a "Friends" of the congregation, because we value the few years we have been a part of Fairview and hope to be with you all for some occasions.

Many blessings,

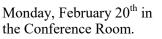
Bill and Carol McElveen



## Daylight Saving Time Begins Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>

Remember to turn your clocks forward one hour before going to bed on Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>!

We are pleased to report that \$1,554.00 was collected in the special offering at our Missionary Chapter Lovefeast on February 11<sup>th</sup>. This money will be used in Moravian mission work. Many thanks to all who contributed to this worthy cause of helping to spread the Gospel around the world.



Chicken Pies, Yard Sale and salad Bar coming soon.

As always, thank you for supporting the Women's Fellowship!



## Birthdays in March

- 1 Amy Yarbrough
- 6 Terri Barringer
- 8 Lillie Mae Joyce
- 9 Christian Gray, Gwen Shields, Bill Yokley
- 10 Ruth Morgan
- 11 Rod Back Opal Miller
- 12 Phyllis Footland
- 13 Ken Hauser, Pat Thomason
- 14 Larry Sprinkle
- 15 Lilly Brendle Tim Gray
- 16 Anne Hauser
- 18 Rebecca Church
- 19 Linda Self
- 20 Sunna Kimel
- 21 Dick Joyce
- 22 Marshall Mathers
- 23 Debra Coleman
- 25 Meredith Tuttle
- 26 Bonnie Sparrow
- 27 Meghan Hubbard, Eleanor Swaim
- 28 Richard Minor
- 29 Ron Willard

## April

Vikki Doub, Jane Hilker



Mark Your Calendars! Women's Fellowship Soup & Salad Luncheon Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018–11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Adults: \$8.00 / Children Ages 4-12: \$4.00 Fellowship Hall





## Notes from Lewis

The liturgical year is the "calendar" of the church. The church year begins with the first Sunday of Advent and concludes with the Feast of Christ the King. On Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, we entered one of the most important seasons of the church year, the season of Lent. While most of us know all about this Liturgical season, I thought I would use this space to refresh our memories of why we do some of the things that we do during this season.

Lent is the fortyday-long liturgical season of fasting and prayer before Easter. The forty days represent the time Jesus spent in the desert, where he endured temptation by Satan. Different churches calculate the forty days differently. In Western Christianity Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes on Holy Saturday. The six Sundays in Lent are not counted among the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini-Easter", a celebration of Jesus' victory over sin and death.

The purpose of Lent is the preparation of the believer—through prayer, penitence, almsgiving and self-denial for the annual commemoration during Holy Week of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus, which recalls the events linked to the Passion of Christ and culminates in Easter, the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

On February 14<sup>th</sup>, Ash Wednesday, we were invited to begin our journey toward Easter. One of my favorite authors is Ann Weems, a Presbyterian minister who died in 2016. In her book <u>Kneeling in Jerusalem</u>, she shares the following poem, entitled "Living a Life-giving Lent":

*Lent is a time to* take time to let the power of our faith story take hold of us, a time to let the events get up and walk around in us. a time to intensify our living unto Christ, a time to hover over the thoughts of our hearts, a time to place our feet in the streets of Jerusalem or to walk along the sea and listen to his *Word, a time to touch* his robe and feel the *healing surge through* 

us, a time to ponder and a time to wonder.... *Lent is a time to allow a* fresh new taste of God! *Perhaps we're afraid to* have time to think, for thoughts come unbidden. *Perhaps we're afraid to* face our future knowing our past. *Give us courage, O God,* to hear your Word and to read our living into it. Give us the trust to know we're forgiven and give us the faith to take up our lives and walk.

#### FAIRVIEW FRIENDS FELLOWSHIP

About three years ago we changed our name from SENIOR Friends Fellowship to FAIRVIEW Friends Fellowship. Although most of us fall into the "senior adult" category, we don't necessarily like to admit it. We thought that the change of name might encourage more of our members to join us for our activities. As the name implies, there is no minimum age – <u>everyone</u> in the church is welcome to join us. Why not invite a friend and come to one of our activities? We always have a great time of fellowship and I can pretty much guarantee that you will have a great time! Here are our activities for the next two months:

#### Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10:00AM

We will travel to The Richard Childress Racing Museum in Welcome. We did this several years ago and the ladies enjoyed this as much, if not more, than the men. This time we will have our own Jerry Hailey as our tour guide! Admission to the museum is \$8. Following our tour, we will eat lunch at a restaurant in the area.

#### Friday, April 27th, 5:30PM

We will travel to The Barn Dinner Theater in Greensboro to see the Church Basement Ladies in "A Mighty Fortress Is Our Basement." We saw a show several years ago that featured the Church Basement Ladies and it was hysterical! Tickets for this are \$49 per person which includes the buffet, tax, tip and the show. We have to have a final head count and the payment made three weeks prior to the show, so the deadline to sign up and pay will be **Sunday, April 1**<sup>st</sup>. Please sign up and pay with Jeanne Willard. Checks should be made out to Fairview Moravian Church.

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## "Jesus Followers" Youth Corner

The Jesus Followers met on January 24<sup>th</sup> and the kids learned about wanting to follow and obey God's Word. They heard the story of Adam and Eve and the Scripture from John 14:15 "If you love Me, you will obey what I command." so they could tie it all together. Then we played a game of Simon Says to help them implement listening and obeying in a fun atmosphere. On February 7<sup>th</sup> we met and had a pancake cook off, where they devoured an uncountable amount of pancakes! Linda Mathers came to work with the kids to practice the song they were to sing in worship for the following Sunday. On February 11<sup>th</sup> the Jesus Followers got up at our



Worship service and sang their little hearts out for the Lord with the song "Old Church Choir"! They sang so full of the Spirit! I loved to hear them, and we sure do like to think that God loved to hear that Praise! On February 21<sup>st</sup> we met, and the kids packed some lunch bags for the Augsburg Lutheran Men's Shelter. These bag lunches are to go to the homeless staying at that shelter overnight, and be their lunch for the next day. They really got to learn firsthand how to do some work for Christ! Matthew 25:40! We played a game that helped them realize that Jesus was God, but He was also a man and had to grow up just like any other boy. They had a lot of questions about the whole Deity of God in the flesh, which was great that they were interested and wanted to understand! They learned the verse Luke 2:52 "...Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men." And then we talked about ways that they could grow stronger in God's Word just as Jesus did with the Old Testament Scriptures. And a great big thank you to Bill and Ann Collins for going and picking up the groceries for the men's shelter, and to Steve and Nancy Morgan for providing the funding for the meals! That's just awesome!

We average about nine kids each session! It's growing! We do a devotional, prayer at any time (usually beginning and end), supper, Bible games, and sometimes sing a Praise song! And don't forget to welcome these visiting families at Worship when they come!! Thanks to all the parents for bringing their children out! It is truly a blessing to be able to work with these Children of God in this Ministry! In work for Christ, Matt & Brad



## Fairview Moravian Band News Easter Schedule

Sunday Practices at 4:30p.m. March 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Easter Practices at Home Moravian Church** March 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:15p.m.

Palm Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>-10:00 a.m. Prelude 30 minutes prior to the service. Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>-7:00 p.m. Holy Week Prelude Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> Easter Bus Rounds-2:00p.m. to 4:30p.m.



Fairview's Annual Men's Fellowship Yard Sale Memorial Day Weekend Saturday, May 26<sup>th</sup> (Rain or Shine!) The Women's Fellowship will have tables in the Fellowship Hall. Donations will be accepted.



Decorating God's Acre for Easter If you have flowers or shrubs that you can spare to decorate God's Acre with, please ring them to the church on Friday, March

31<sup>st</sup> and leave them in the Fellowship Hall or outside the Fellowship Hall doors. We also need helpers to go to God's Acre on Saturday morning at 9:00am to help put flowers on the graves. If you can help, please be there by



9:00am, Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>.

# MARCH WORSHIP GREETERS

- 4<sup>th</sup> Chris Melton & Gay Nell Hutchens
- 11<sup>th</sup> Judy and Jerry Byerly
- 18<sup>th</sup> Nancy and Ken Tomberlin
- $25^{\text{th}}$ Sharlene Medley and Mollie Rascoe

Elder of the Month: Amy Mendenhall Trustee of the Month: Bill Wright Stranger's Graveyard Volunteer: Matt Hubbard

## **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** 

Salemtowne Healthcare **Barbara and John Giesler** 

Priddy Manor **Ruth Morgan** 

Limited Activity:

Tootie Barbour; Nelson Cannon; Roger Carmichael; Betty Fulp; Gayle Heck; Doug Ivester; Lillie Mae and Bob Joyce; Ann and David Marcus; **Opal Miller; Lucy Millikan; Harry Sapp; Linda** Self; Gwen Shields; Eleanor Swaim; Pat Thomason: Ken Tomberlin: E. Artis Weber

## Lunchtime Lecture Series

"Singing Lent: A look at the Hymns of This Season" is the March 8<sup>th</sup> Lunchtime Lecture with Dr. Nola Reed Knouse. Join them at 12:15 p.m. at the Archie K. Davis Center, 457 S. Church St., W-S, NC. The lecture is free and you are welcomed to bring a bag lunch!

> Yard/Estate Sale Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am At the Minish home at 4816 Welwyn Rd Winston Salem, NC 27104! The proceeds from this sale will support the Men's Fellowship outreach programs.





Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. Hebrews 10: 23

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Jody Brendle, Chair of Trustees
Gay Nell Hutchens, Vice-Chair of Trustees
Pat Sapp, Vice-Chair of Elders
Van Krause, Band Director
Nancy Morgan, Pianist

# Preparing for the "Easter Egg Hunt"



The Egg Hunt at Fairview this year will be Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. The Christian Education Committee is asking our very generous Fairview Family to once again donate candy and prizes. The following is a list of items we could use to help make this fun for all the children. All of these suggestions can be found at the Dollar Tree. Thank you as always for your generous support!

> 4/pk. Play Dough 6 /pk ~ pencil sharpeners 2/pk. Yoyos 3/pk. notebooks (3x5) 3/pk. bubbles Bags of wrapped candy

Please place your donations in the designated box in the Parlor by Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>.

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