



Fairview Moravian Church

You shall keep my commandments
and observe them: I am the Lord.
Leviticus 22:31

September 2022

The Pastor's Corner

The Gospel lesson from Luke 17:1-10 used on October 2, which was Worldwide Communion Sunday, is as direct as any Scripture about the obligations and blessings of Christian living. We might often see obligations and blessings as separable—Jesus teaches they come together. The connection is made when we understand that it is God who defines our relationship with Him, our Father in heaven. We understand this not only from Jesus' teaching but also from Jesus' own relationship with His Father. Jesus perfectly understood his role as Son, and so his every response as a loving son was to live according to God's will. Jesus shows us how **relationship with God is serving Him, which is itself the greatest reward.**

A blessing/reward at Fairview this time of year is how congregational life comes back up to full speed with opportunities for faithful worship and service, fellowship, and yes food! The Gospel lesson helps us to know that our lives as blessed when we offer ourselves to God's love, grace, and mercy. Our self-offering must be—as Jesus showed—sacrificial with the servant's heart. To the extent we serve God as a community, making a free offering of ourselves to God rather than to the world, then our relationship with God is active and spiritually nourishing. The Church many chances for us to be together leads to spiritually active Christian living. We can better experience a mutually loving relationship with God by taking many opportunities to be with God who is always present and available to us through our relationship with Jesus.

We are God's children and can accept that God loves us when we give ourselves to His care and nurture. **Similar to the excitement of young children experiencing life, we too can experience relationship with God with true joy and happiness. How might God create excitement, joy, and happiness in our relationship with Him? By our being present with Him. We are present with God in worship and receive God in Christ Jesus as our Lord offers**

the Church the gift of real presence from the Lord's Table. We are present with God when we study the Holy Scriptures together with the Holy Spirit's inspiration to the whole group. We are present with God when we set aside time to be Jesus' disciples and follow Jesus wherever and whenever he calls us. When we follow Jesus, we are given spiritual gifts by the Holy Spirit which Jesus promised. We are present with God when we use our resources for the common good, ministry and mission of the Church. We are present with God in Christ when we answer the call for mission outreach into the world. This enables us to share Jesus' love as God's Good News of His love, grace and mercy for the world.

Like all relationships of love, being present with our beloved increases capacity for wonder and fulfillment. God desires to love all his children and to bring all people to know and experience the real presence of Jesus in their lives. At Fairview we are living out our faithful response to God. May God bless us to gain a new vision of **God's Biggest Dream**, for all to know his love and purpose as His beloved children.

Upcoming Events for September

September 3 at 8:00am-Men's Fellowship Yard Sale

September 4 at 9:30am-Band Prelude

September 5-Church Office Closed for Labor Day

September 6 at 10am-WF Circle 4-P

September 7 at 10am-WF Circle 1-AB

September 7 at 10:30am-WF Circle 2-CR

September 10 at 2:00pm-Roger Carmichael's
Memorial Service-Sanctuary

September 12 at 5:30pm-Jt. Board Mtg.-FH

September 15 at 11am-Trust Meeting-CR

September 19 at 7pm-WF Circle 3

September 26 at 10:30am-WF Executive Bd. Mtg.-CR



Remembering in Prayer...

Our Church Family:

Mary Beard, Doris Brame, Judy Byerly, Anne Collins, Ann Carroll, Bob Dalton, the Davis Family, Danny Flowers, Riff Footland, Anne Griffin, Rev. Don Griffin, John Harrold, Laura Hayworth, Jolleen Johnson, Jean and Harvey Lunsford, Nancy Manuel, Lucy Millikan, Brenda Miller, Tom Nicholson, Doris "DG" Noell, Harry Sapp, Walt Schorer, Terri Southern, Larry Sprinkle, Frankie Stith, Lindsay Tise, Nancy and Ken Tomberlin, Diane Wright.

Our Family and Friends:

Hege family (friends of Ruth and Everett Freeman), **Ernie Hughes** (friend of Pam Tatum), **Drew Mayse** (friend of Pam Tatum), **Fred McKinney** (brother of Linda Mathers), **Gale Pfaff** (family of Bobby Bennett) **Cele Shaver** (cousin of Pam Tatum), **the family of Jack Strickling** (friend of Sandy Smith's family), **Chip Van** (friend of Pam Tatum).

Pray for our Friends and Family in the Military:

Jordan Hailey (Navy – son of Jerry Hailey), **Daniel Millikan** (Army – son of Dianne & Alan Millikan), **Jeremiah Millikan** (Navy – son of Dianne & Alan), **Christian Nixon** (National Guard – nephew of Candice & Rod Back, **Eric Tise** (Air Force– grandson of Lindsay Tise).

Wednesday Lunch and Bible Study

Our Wednesday Meal and Bible Study starts back on September 7th at 12:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Make sure you join us and invite your family and friends to come as we study God's word and fellowship together.



Greetings from the Women's Fellowship!

Our September Community Project will be supporting Canaan Missionary Baptist Church on Liberty Street. They minister to the needy and homeless in their neighborhood. They can use bar soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes (soft bristle), hand sanitizer (small bottle), and socks, gloves, and hats for men and women. Please put your items in the labeled container in the Lovefeast kitchen. Thank you!

Please put these upcoming dates on your calendar:
Candle Trim - Monday, November 14, 10a.m. and 7p.m.
Fall Craft Fare - Saturday, November 19, 8a.m. - 12 noon

Thank you for your support of the Women's Fellowship and our community.



We have several openings for flowers to be placed in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings. Contact Cynthia Faircloth 336-250-8127 if you would like to put flowers in honor or memory of someone.

Christian Education News... The combined adult Sunday school class will be finishing up the "Be Rich" Ephesians study by Dr. Warren Wiersbe in early September. There have been insightful discussions, sharing of faith and valuable contributions from our members. There has been great interest in going back to the Union Gospel Press quarterlies. I ordered them and they've arrived. We will now begin the Fall Quarter beginning in September. The focus is "Learning to Honor God," with each Sunday lesson on the topic of "obedience" for us as Christians...Please let me know if you feel led to be in the teaching rotation, as we have an urgent need for more adult Sunday school teachers. Serving with you, with gratitude, Bill Shields

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry

As of August 31, 2022, we have filled shoeboxes **for 68 children**. Be sure to turn in all shoeboxes no later than September 11th. On Sunday September 11th we are planning a shoebox packing party for our youth during Sunday School. We are thankful for the response from our church family and Sunday School classes for their support of this outreach ministry. The response of monetary donations has been wonderful in helping us to accomplish the above NO. of filled shoeboxes. When all

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shoeboxes have been returned to the church, we will have a blessing on a Sunday morning in the sanctuary. Fairview is truly blessed and willing to share their blessings with others in need. As we try to please God with our actions, we pray that being a part of this ministry is pleasing to him, our Lord.



September

- 1 Brenda Miller
- 2 Tom Nicholson

- 4 Sheri Fulp
- 6 Jack Scott Eldridge
- 7 Michael Faircloth, Sr.,
- 9 Benny Welch
- 10 Jason Turner
- 12 Betty Ferguson
- 13 Michael Faircloth, Jr.
- 14 Doris Noell,
Shirley Southerland
- 18 David Barringer, Jerry Hailey
- 20 Betty Beeson, Linda Snider
- 21 Walt Schorer
- 24 Meredith Hailey
- 27 Elizabeth Long
- 28 Henry Hilker
- 30 Amy Hailey

October

- 2 Sharlene Medley,
Cliff Venable
- 4 Susan Hurst,
Barry Self

Around the Province

FALL BAND CLASSES RETURN on Tuesday Tuesdays, at Home Moravian church. Sponsored jointly with Salem Congregation, Beginning Band Classes as well as 2nd and 3rd Year classes will once again be offered under the leadership of Robah Ogburn and Connie Merritt. Each Tuesday night, the beginners' class will meet at 6:30pm for all ages 6th grade and up (we have had students starting in their 80's). Second- and Third-Year players meet for class at 7:30pm. The classes are held in the Rehearsal Room on the lower level of the Rhondthaler building. If you do not know what instrument you want to learn, the leaders will help you make that decision on the first night. Please contact [Connie \(kapwing@triad.rr.com\)](mailto:kapwing@triad.rr.com) or [Robah \(RobahOgburn@Yahoo.com\)](mailto:RobahOgburn@Yahoo.com) if you have questions or need additional information.

SEPTEMBER 25, 2022, Sunday at 3:00 pm in Hanes Auditorium: Salem Band Fall Concert, *What's Opera, Doc?* Join Salem Band and Bugs Bunny for an afternoon of your favorite classics from the popular Looney Tunes cartoons! Music by Brahms, Johann Strauss, Franz Liszt, and more. Hear *Barber of Seville*, *Dance of the Comedians*, *Blue Danube Waltz*, and other selections to accompany some of the most popular cartoon episodes. FREE in Hanes Auditorium, Elberson Fine Arts Center, on the campus of Salem Academy and College.

community members, congregants, lay leaders, and clergy as we strive to put faith in action.

***SACRED GROUND (VIRTUAL & FREE) – Bimonthly, Sept 2022 – Feb 2023** [Registration required by September 6](#)

Recurring interdenominational educational opportunity geared for white people to discuss racial healing and reconciliation in our personal lives and ministries; led in part by Moravian pastor Sue Koenig.

For more Info

<https://www.moravian.org/ccd/2022/08/11/sacred-ground-a-film-and-reading-based-dialogue-on-race-and-faith/>

*** SALEM WALK (IN PERSON & FREE) – Bimonthly, Sept – Nov 2022** [Pre-registration required; September walks September 6 and 10](#)

Learn about the lives of those enslaved by the Moravian church between 1771 to 1860 as we walk in their historic footsteps and then gather for discussion and worship.

For more Info

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***RACIAL HISTORY OF THE CHURCH (VIRTUAL & FREE) – November 2022**

Over the course of three webinars we will explore the racial history of the Moravian and Episcopal churches, focusing each session on a particular issue and then expanding it to explore the impacts to broader issues within that time period, as well as present day. (These will be also recorded for future viewing) More Info

Here: <https://www.moravian.org/ccd/2022/08/11/racial-history-of-the-church-november-2022/>