**Fairview Moravian Church**



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 Watchword for 2024

*Jesus said, “Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live.”.*

*John 5:25*

**Welcome to Fairview Moravian Church**

 **First Sunday in Advent**

**December 1, 2024**

Please take a moment to sign the friendship pad in your pew.

**Watchword for the week:** *Jesus said, “Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.” Luke 21:33*

**Band Prelude**

**Prelude** *He Shall Feed His Flock* Handel

## **Candle Lighting**

## **Hymn 274** **v. 1** *O Come, O Come, Immanuel*

Candle Lighting

This morning we light the first candle: the candle of love. This candle reminds us that God so loved the world that he sent his only son, so that whoever believes in him should not perish but have life everlasting. Today we celebrate God’s gift of love and remember that we have been commanded to love others as God loves us.

Closing Prayer

Gracious God, as we continue our Advent journey, we are reminded that “Love came down at Christmas – love amazing, love divine.” You loved the world enough to send your Son, and now it’s up to us to love others as you loved us. Remind us that Christ is our light, and the true source of infinite, everlasting, pure love. Amen.

**Welcome and Announcements** Pastor Tony Hayworth

**Missionary Chapter Moment** Ken Neal

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**Giving of Tithes and Offerings to the Lord**

 **Prayer of Dedication**

 **Anthem**  *Hymn of Advent* Lloyd Larson

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**Doxology** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100TH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

 **Children’s Message**

**Reading of God’s Word**

 Luke 21: 25-36

**Sermon Spiritual Much?** Pastor Tony

 Philippians 1: 3-11

Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer

**Hymn 256** *Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**  *Nativity March* Greener

**♥Please sign the Friendship Register at the end of your row and pass it down.** If you would like information about our activities or becoming a member of Fairview, please indicate your wish in the appropriate space. **Children** three years old and under may go to the Nursery.

**Thank you to Mary Beard** for being our guest organist this morning!

**The Wreaths placed on the church doors** are given to the Glory of God by the Women’s Fellowship.

**The flowers in the sanctuary today** are given to the glory of God and in honor of Corky on her 90th birthday by Danny Flowers.

**Weekly Calendar**

**Sunday, December 1**

 9:45 AM Band Prelude

 10:00 AM Worship

 11:15 AM Sunday School

 4:30 PM Band Practice-FH

# **Tuesday, December 3**

#  9:30 AM Prayer Meeting-C

# Wednesday, December 4

#  11:00 AM WF Circle 2-CR

#  10:30 AM WF Circle 4-P

# 11:30 AM WF Circle 1-P

# 12:00 PM WF Christmas Luncheon**-**FH

5:30 PMChoir Practice-S

**Sunday, December 8**

10:00 AM Worship

 11:15 AM Sunday School

 4:30 PMBand Practice-FH

**Our Church Family Prayer List:** CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE

**Friends and Family Prayer List:** CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE

**Our Military Prayer List:** CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE

**The General Fund** has received gifts in memory of Dr. Ken Tomberlin from Pat Sapp and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Henderson.

Sunday’s Worship Attendance: 81

Pledges/Offerings/Gifts/Other for November 17 $ 3,108.00

Monthly Budget Needs **$ 33,360.59**

Monies Received Month to Date 54,560.10

 **$ 21,199.51+**

**Ladies Christmas Luncheon. All ladies of the church are invited** to a Christmas Luncheon in the fellowship hall on Wednesday, December 4th at Noon. The meal is being prepared by the Women’s Fellowship Executive Board and the cost is $6.00 per person.

 **Salem Congregation Watchnight Service at 8:00p.m.,**

 **December 31st, at St. Philips Moravian Church**

This service of Holy Communion will be shared at St. Philips Moravian Church in the Salem Historic District (911 S. Church Street) with Pastor Barbara Styers presiding.

The Southern Province is participating in the worldwide Moravian Church **Unity Prayer Watch in 2025**. Fairview will take part in this prayerful tradition between **Midnight and 8:00a.m. on Friday, January 10, 2025**. A signup sheets and prayer topics will be in the parlor next Sunday, December 8th.

**Looking at What’s Happening at Fairview in December...**

**Wednesday, 4th at Noon –** Ladies Christmas Luncheon

**Saturday, 7th at 8:00a.m. -Noon —** Clothes Closet Open

**Saturday, 7th at 9:30a.m. —** Putting the tree up in the Sanctuary

**Saturday, 14th 11:00a.m. – 1:00p.m. –** WFFood Drive

**Monday, 16th at 12:00 p.m. — Newsletter Deadline-**Early due to the holiday.

**Tuesday, 24th at 2:00 p.m. —** Christmas Eve Candlelight Lovefeast (Sanctuary), Band Prelude at 1:30

**Tuesday 24th at 5:00 p.m. —** Christmas Eve Candlelight Lovefeast (Sanctuary), Band Prelude at 4:30

**Wednesday, 25th** Church Office Closed

**Thursday, 26th C**hurch Office Closed

**We need a volunteer or volunteers** to prepare a **light meal** for the dieners, ushers, and choir members, etc. between our two Lovefeast services on Christmas Eve. If you would be willing to help with this, please contact Patricia Rau at the church 336-768-5629 or email at patricia@fairviewmoravianchurch.org. Thank you!

**Please Join Us for Our**

 **Christmas Candlelight & Lovefeast Services**



**Tuesday, December 24th**

**at 2:00 and 5:00 p.m.**

**Band Prelude 30 minutes**

**prior to each service**

**Give the Gift of Warmth!!**

**Women’s Fellowship December**

**Community Project:**

Bring your **New or Gently-used** mittens, gloves, scarves and hats (toboggans) with you to church and hang them on our “Mitten Tree”! We will distribute donated items to local charities at the end of the month. All sizes needed!



**Thank You for Warming Bodies,**

**Hearts and Souls this Season!!**

