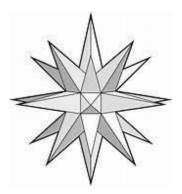
The Fairview Dispatch



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Pastors Corner

Safety Nets

Recently I came across the term safety net. I began to reflect on the importance of our church family. I remember going to the circus when I was young and watching the trapeze artist. I was watching so intently at their leaps from one bar to another and being grabbed in midair that when they missed a hold, I gasp thinking they would fall to the ground. It was then the safety net was just in the right place to stop the fall: they were safe.

Not everything that functions as a safety net is dependable. I just read in the news how a woman in Georgia had safely parachuted 160 times. On the 161st jump she ran into someone else midair and the emergency chute failed. She fell.

People share how Fairview is the safety net they always depend on—they do not fall. The Christian Church is well suited to be a safety net not because our ultimate trust and future depend on God. Our presence together reminds that God always near. God's safety net is given to us and has the Name Jesus.

Nearly every day I hear one of you say "What would I do without my Fairview family?" We are a spiritual family, we experience the Jesus within each of us as a spiritual presence/resource, which is dependable, assured and trustworthy. The Net, Jesus, is God's perfect and eternal love. When we are filled with God's perfect love, His power and mercy bring healing and wholeness to help us overcome the next crisis. While we can't know the unexpected, we most certainly can know the blessings we receive from a fellow Christian brother or sister. Each of **you** is an essential and irreplaceable member of the safety net called Fairview. The net is strong to the extent we allow the Jesus in us to meet,

Safety Nets continued...

greet, and love the Jesus in the other. Our net is strong and flexible to meet when we **all** come together. Conversely, when we are apart from the faith family, the Holy Spirit gently nudges us to return. "in [Jesus] you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God." (Ephesians 2:22, NRSV)

The Spirit also works to heal us and bring us to higher spiritual maturity to overcome the obstacles that can interfere with human relationships. Jesus works to heal our suffering whatever the cause.

Pastor Tony

"Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light."" (Matthew 11:28–30, NLT)

What would you like to see on our sign to invite people to know Jesus at Fairview Moravian Church? Your suggestions are welcome! The sign can hold a maximum of 60 characters (that includes spaces). Submit your suggestions to Patricia.



August 2nd: Alden D. August 3rd: Ann C. August 5th: Brent J. August 6th: Kevin B.

August 14th: Carlos C., Terri S. August 15th: Robert B., Vickie G.

August 16th: Becky D.

August 17th: Kathy S.

August 20th: Shirley B.

August 24th: Owen S.

August 25th: Melissa T.

August 26th: Jovi M.

August 27th: Barbara B., Nan S.

With Your presence, Lord, our Head and Savior, bless them all, we humbly pray; our dear heavenly Father's love and favor be their comfort every day. May God's Spirit now in each proceeding favor them with His most gracious leading; thus, shall they be truly blessed both in labor and in rest. Amen.

Any omission from this list is purely accidental. If your name was inadvertently left off, please contact Patricia to let her know.

<u>Lifting in Prayer</u>

The congregation was saddened by the loss of one of our members, Robert Daniel "Danny" F., entered the more immediate presence of his Lord and Savior on Sunday, July 13th. Please keep Corky and the family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

The September Newsletter Deadline is Monday, August 18th.

If your submission isn't received by the monthly cutoff date, we will regretfully be unable to publish it in the current newsletter. Also, Fairview will be posting church activity pictures to Facebook and on the Fairview Moravian webpage, so if you prefer not to have your picture online, notify us at communications@fairviewmoravianchurch.org.

The Communication Committee.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry

Thank you for a good response to the Christmas Shoebox Ministry. We have received 25 filled Shoeboxes as of July 30th. With your help, we are confident that we will meet our goal of 100 filled shoeboxes.

This Ministry gives us an opportunity to be a part of a missionary effort to spread the good news of Jesus Christ.

We are the first step. Many steps follow ours, but if we did not fill shoeboxes, children somewhere would not hear of the Love of Jesus Christ.

When all the filled shoeboxes have been received, we will have a blessing on them on a Sunday morning.

Thank you again for your participation in the Christmas Shoebox Ministry.

Thank you for your prayers for this Ministry and that our efforts will be pleasing to our Lord.

Pat Sapp, Women's Fellowship



Fairview Fare

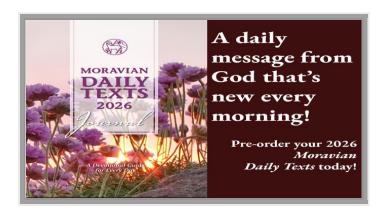
The Women's Fellowship will have their Fairview Fare this year on November 15 from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm. We will have the Bake Sale, Country Store, and Pottery Shop. The Kitchen will be open for breakfast and lunch. Of course, there will be Chicken Pies. As always, your contributions for the Bake Sale and Country Store will be appreciated. We are NOT having a Yard Sale table this year.

Vendors this year will only be members of Fairview and their families. If you have a craft that you would like to bring, contact Melinda Yarbrough at (336) 413-1072 for information.



Chicken Pies will be available-\$15.00 each Breakfast & Lunch will be available to purchase!

<u>The Provincial Women's Board</u> will be holding their Fall Celebration at Kernersville Moravian on Saturday, September 13th. The new Bible Study book by Rev. Evettee Campbell of New Hope in Florida will be introduced at this time. More details to follow! Make plans to join us for a fun morning.



2026 Daily Text Book

It's hard to believe, but now is the time to order your **2026 Daily Texts!** In order for our members to get the Early Bird discount, you need to place your order **no later than Sunday, August 3, 2025**.
Orders will not be accepted after **August 4**, so be sure to order early to get it in.

Please indicate below how many of each you want to order:

| Paperback Daily Texts (\$12.55) |
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| Hard Cover Daily Texts (\$15.30) |
| Large Print Daily Texts (\$14.35) |
| 2026 Directory & Statistics special price of \$8.50 if |
| Purchased with your Daily Text |
| 2026 Directory & Statistics – \$9.45 if purchased alone |
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The Blessings of the Prayer Shawl Ministry

God has inspired many people for generations to serve Him through prayer using blankets and shawls in diverse ways. Over the centuries, shawls have come to symbolize shelter, peace, and spiritual sustenance and may be given to those who are distressed, to those who mourn, to those who celebrate the arrival or baptism of a new baby, or to those who rejoice in the love of a new marriage.

It truly is a blessing to be a part of this ministry and use this God-given gift to bring comfort and joy to those in need. Personally, making a shawl brings me peace and quiet to an otherwise hectic world by removing me from the distractions and business of everyday life, allowing me to focus solely on knowing and being a demonstration of God's love. As such, these pieces of art are instilled with a devotion which communicates a spiritual purpose, even without knowing to whom the gift will be given.

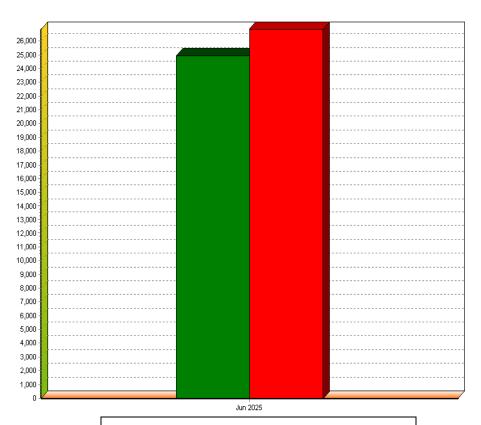
During the crafting of a shawl, prayers are lifted for the recipient. As such, the shawls are made in prayer, as prayer, and for prayer for the recipient, with blessings provided to both the giver and recipient, bringing each person closer to the unconditional loving embrace of a caring God. Like God's love, the completed shawl becomes a tangible object of His love that is freely given with no strings attached, being passed from hand-to-hand to heart-to-heart. Through this gift, both the maker and the recipient are both blessed with each person being able to possess a deeper faith, find comfort in His presence, and draw nearer to our loving God.

Melissa T.

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Checking Accounts as of June, 2025

BB&T - General Fund -\$56.963.22 **Restricted Fund** \$205,123.92 **Special Funds Account** \$35,064.06 Benevolence Fund \$1,511.32 Youth Fellowship \$3,665.68 Repairs/Reserve Account \$487.563.54 \$130,521.01 **Edna and George Blanton Fund** \$14,473.67 **Blum Chapel** Ministerial and Pastoral Education Fund \$102.95



Legend:

Revenue: \$24,923.35 Expenses: \$26,840.96

Expenses taken from the Restricted Accounts:

\$10,908.84