

Fairhill Manor Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
351 Montgomery Ave.
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Rev. Chris Stillwell, Senior Minister Rev. Gena Sheller, Associate Pastor Elders: Sheila Harris, Bread Gary Ford, Cup

April 28, 2024 - 10:15am

Prelude

Carson Throckmorton, organist

Welcome Pastor Gena

Call to Worship Gary Ford

Leader: Once we were not a people, People: But now we are God's people.

Leader: Once we were alone,

People: But together we are the family of God.

Leader: Here in this time of worship, and later when we go

forth to serve,

People: Christ is our cornerstone, strengthening us for

the journey.

Leader: In our living and in our dying,

People: Christ is our sure foundation, strengthening

us along the way.

\*Opening Hymn "We Are Walking" #442 1<sup>st</sup> vs Walking, 2<sup>nd</sup> vs Singing, 3<sup>rd</sup> vs Family

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer Pastor Gena Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

\*Song of Response "Glory Be to the Father"

#35

First Scripture Reading Acts 8:26-40 Charlotte Stillwell (Holy Bible pg 892 - Lg print New Testament pg 170)

Anthem "Here I Am, Lord," by Craig Courtney Choir

Children's Message

Pastor Gena

Beloved, let us love one another. For love is of God, and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Those who love not, know not God, for God is love. Beloved, let us love one another. 1 John 4: 7-8

Second Scripture Reading 1 John 4:7-21 Rev. Stillwell (Holy Bible pg 991 - Lg print New Testament pg 328)

Rev. Stillwell: The Word of God, for the people of God... *Congregation: Thanks be to God!* 

Sermon

"What Is To Stop Us?"
Rev. Chris Stillwell

Call to Offering

Von Lacock

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow! Praise God, all creatures here below! Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts! Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Dedication of Offering Prayer** 

Rev. Stillwell

Invitation to Communion

Rev. Stillwell

Communion Hymn

"Come, Share the Lord"

#408

**Invitation to Communion** 

Rev. Stillwell

Prayer for the Bread & Cup

Sheila Harris Rev. Stillwell

Words of Institution

## **Sharing Holy Communion**

You will receive the bread and cup together. Please hold them; we will take each together as one body. Disciples of Christ believe in an Open Table. All who profess Christ and follow Him are welcome to share His meal. Gluten free wafers are available in the Narthex.

Call to Discipleship

Rev. Stillwell

\*Closing Hymn

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

#687

\*Benediction

Rev. Stillwell

Please take a minute to fill out your name on the **pew pad**. If you are a visitor, please include your address and phone number. After filling out, remove the sheet from the pad and place on the pew for collection. Thank you for helping us care for you.

Please help us recycle by placing your **bulletin** (if you do not wish to take it home with you) and your **communion cup** in the designated containers in the Narthex.

Please continue to pray for all those listed on the **Prayer List** included in the Manor Minutes. If you are not receiving the Manor Minutes (our weekly newsletter) and would like to, please contact the church office at (724) 225-8610.

Green Prayer Request slips can be found in the pew-back pockets and at the prayer station podium in the Narthex. We will collect these slips at the end of the Announcements time. At any time during the week, you can always ask for prayer through our website or by contacting Rev. Chris, Pastor Gena, an Elder or the Church Office.

All children age 4 - Grade 5 are welcome to participate in **Children Worship & Wonder**, an age-appropriate, Montessori-based worship experience. Join the CW&W Greeter at the back of the Sanctuary after the Children's Message. Parents are encouraged to accompany their child(ren) on their first visit. All Fairhill adults working with children have required clearances on file, have been selected through a rigorous screening process, and undergo frequent training on abuse awareness and prevention.

## **Today:**

The Altar Flowers today are in honor of **Isaac Mayen's 13<sup>th</sup> birthday** on April 30 from grandparents, Gene & Connie.

Elders: Sheila Harris, bread/prayer Gary Ford, cup Deacons: Deb Dotson\*, Craig Dotson, John Samida,

Candy Wasalasky

Greeters: Doug and Patty Fraley

Usher: Ruth Campbell

Sound: Tom Ulery Video: Owen Stillwell

CW&W: The Good Shepherd & the Lord's Supper II

Greeter: Connie Sheller Storyteller: Pastor Gena

#### This Week:

April 29 NA 7pm

April 30 Bethany Class Lunch noon at Eat'n Park

May 1 NA 6:45pm

May 2 Choir Practice 6:30pm

NA 7:30pm

# **Upcoming:**

The deadline to order tickets for the **Fairhill Manor Night at the Wild Things Ball Game** is fast approaching. Tickets are available for the June 7<sup>th</sup> game at a cost of \$10/person and \$2/parking pass. Please sign up in the Narthex by May 3<sup>rd</sup> if you would like to attend. You can give your money for tickets and/or parking passes to Karen in the Church Office.

May 19 – Baptism Sunday, last day of Sunday School & CW&W, Sunday School Teacher & CW&W Volunteer Recognition, Pentecost and Sunday School Celebration Cookout after Worship (sign-up sheet in the Narthex), Wear RED to celebrate Pentecost

### Attendance for April 28, 2024

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<sup>\*</sup>stand if you are able