



Fairhill Manor Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
351 Montgomery Ave.
724-225-8610
Rev. Chris Stillwell, Senior Minister
Rev. Gena Sheller, Associate Pastor
Elders: Gene Sheller, Bread
Connie Sheller, Cup
January 4, 2026 - 10:15am

Prelude

Sam Johnson, organist

Welcome

Pastor Gena

2026 Blessing Box Update

Connie Sheller

Call to Worship

Kevin Puskarich

Leader: This is the day of new beginnings.

People: We give thanks for newness of life.

Leader: Today, God dwells with us.

People: We celebrate that we are God's beloved people.

Leader: Today, all things are made new.

People: Let us worship God, the alpha and omega.

*Opening Hymn

"We Three Kings"

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Pastoral 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

"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

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First Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

Gary Ford

(Holy Bible pg. 783 - Lg print New Testament pg. 6)

Special Music

"In the Bleak Midwinter"

Jim Cope

Children's Message

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world, colors varied dark and light, they are precious in His sight; Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

(Holy Bible pg. 784 - Lg print New Testament pg. 6)

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

Sermon

Keep Herod in Christmas

Rev. Chris Stillwell

Communion Hymn

"As With Gladness"

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Invitation to Communion

Rev. Stillwell

Prayer for the Bread & Cup

Gene Sheller

Words of Institution

Rev. Stillwell

Sharing Holy Communion

All are invited to share in this meal. Please come forward down the center aisle, as you are able, take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and partake. Place your offering in the trays as you return to your seats by the outside aisles. If you are unable to come forward, the meal will be brought to you. Gluten-free wafers & individual servings are available in the Narthex.

Call to Discipleship

Rev. Stillwell

*Closing Hymn

"God's Love Made Visible!"

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*Benediction

Rev. Stillwell

*stand if you are able

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.

Please take a minute to fill out your name on the **attendance pad**. If you are a visitor, please include your address and phone number. After filling it 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) in the designated container in the Narthex.

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:

Elders: Gene Sheller, bread/prayer
Connie Sheller, cup

Deacons: Intinction

Sound: Charlotte Stillwell

Video: Owen Stillwell

CW&W: *The Boy Jesus in the Temple*

Greeter: Darla Lewis

Storyteller: Pastor Gena

This Week:

January 5 NA 7pm

January 6 Dartball 7pm @ Bethlehem Lutheran

January 7 NA 6:45pm

January 8 Choir Practice 6:30pm

NA 7:30pm

Upcoming:

January 11 – 2026 Officer Installation

January 18 – Congregational Meeting following worship to review the 2025 Annual Report

February 8 – SouperBowl Luncheon and Cornhole Tournament

Sign up in the Narthex for a 2- person cornhole team and/or soup that you will bring. You do not have to bring soup or enter a team to join in the fun and fellowship.

Attendance December 28, 2025

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