

Fairhill Manor Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ) 351 Montgomery Ave. 724-225-8610

Rev. Chris Stillwell, Senior Minister Rev. Gena Sheller, Associate Pastor Elders: Gary Ford, Bread Sheila Harris, Cup

February 23, 2025 - 10:15am

Prelude Sam Johnson, organist

Welcome Pastor Gena

Call to Worship Gary Ford

Leader: In these uncertain times, we come together,

searching for peace.

People: We will be still before the Lord and wait patiently.

Leader: We will open our hearts and minds, that the Lord

may show us mercy.

People: When we trust the Lord, we can do good things

and live with one another in peace and security.

Leader: The Lord is our refuge in times of trouble.

People: In God, we find forgiveness, mercy, and love.

All: We will be still before the Lord and wait patiently.

*Opening Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians" #494

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Gena

Help us to be a beacon of your love, justice, and compassion.

May your Spirit compel us and move us to respond.

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

ading **Psalm 37:1-11** D (Holy Bible pg 443 - Lg print pg 687)

Donna Stemski

Anthem

"Soon & Very Soon," by Andrea Crouch

Choir

Children's Message

Pastor Gena

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

Luke 6:27-38 Re

Rev. Stillwell

(Holy Bible pg 838 - Lg print New Testament pg 88)

Rev. Stillwell: The Word of God, for the people of God...

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"An Impractical Love"

Rev. Chris Stillwell

Call to Offering

Gene Sheller

*The 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 "Now We Come Before God's Presence" #4

Prayer for the Bread & Cup

Gary Ford

Words of Institution

Rev. Stillwell

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

"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

*Benediction

Rev. Stillwell

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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 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 communion cup in the designated containers 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.

A noisy offering, which will go to support Week of Compassion, will be collected today during the Children's Message.

Today:

Elders: Gary Ford, bread/prayer Sheila Harris, cup

Deacons: Tom Ulery*, Sharl Burk, Craig Dotson, Deb Dotson

Greeters: Steve and Louie Skariot

Usher: Tom Ulery

Sound: Charlotte Stillwell Video: Owen Stillwell

CW&W: The Good Samaritan

Greeter: Reita Melvin Storyteller: Connie Sheller

This Week:

Feb	24	NA 7pm
Feb	25	Operating Deficit Task Force 4pm Library
		Dartball 7pm @ Home
Feb	26	Personnel Committee 6pm Library
		NA 6:45pm
Feb	27	Choir Practice 6:30pm
		NA 7:30pm

Coming Up:

March 1 – Women's Tea at 2pm in the Large Fellowship Hall. Sign up in the Narthex.

March 17 - FMCC Blood Drive in the Large Fellowship Hall from 11am-3pm. To schedule appointment, go to www.vitalant.org or contact the Church Office at (724) 225-8610.

March 20 - Tri-County Men's Fellowship Dinner will be held at FMCC. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex; RSVP by March 17. The dinner will include a pasta bar, salad, rolls and dessert for \$15/person.

Attendance – February 16, 2025

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