



Fairhill Manor Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)

351 Montgomery Avenue
724-225-8610

Rev. Chris Stillwell, Senior Minister

Rev. Gena Sheller, Associate Pastor

Elders: Gary Ford, Bread

Serena Dube, Cup

June 7, 2026 - 10:15am

Prelude Sam Johnson, organist

Welcome Pastor Gena

Call to Worship Linda Reese

Leader: We call to the Lord,

People: And God hears our prayers.

Leader: We lift up our praise,

People: And God hears our songs.

Leader: We wait for the Lord,

People: And God answers our hope.

*Opening Hymn "Sing Unto the Lord a New Song" song booklet #23

Celebrating Our Graduates insert

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Stillwell
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 "Spirit of the Living God" #259

First Scripture Reading **Luke 24:44-53** Serena Dube
(Holy Bible pg. 861 - Lg print New Testament pg. 123)

Special Music

Children's Message Rev. Stillwell
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 **Acts 2:1-12** Rev. Stillwell
(Holy Bible pg. 885 - Lg print New Testament pg. 159)

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

Sermon "Graduate and Commence"
Rev. Chris Stillwell

Communion Hymn "Take My Gifts" #381

Invitation to Communion Pastor Gena

Prayer for the Bread & Cup Gary Ford

Words of Institution Pastor Gena

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 Pastor Gena

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

*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: Gary Ford, bread/prayer
Serena Dube, cup

Deacons: Intinction

Greeters: Dave and Carol Davis

Usher: Terry Allison

Sound: Charlotte Stillwell

Video: Owen Stillwell

CW&W: *The Great Banquet*

Greeter: Carol Davis

Storyteller: Connie Sheller

This Week:

June 8 Blood Mobile in parking lot, 11am-3pm

NA 7pm

June 10 Elders Meeting, 5:30pm via Zoom

NA 6:45pm

June 11 Choir Practice 6:30pm

NA 7:30pm

Upcoming:

- June 14 **Rev. Chris vacation day**
Sonny Wilson, Laurelview Mini Camp Director will be speaking. To help support Laurelview, he suggests that donations of paper products (paper towel, toilet paper, tissues), travel size personal hygiene products (shampoo, deodorant) or gift cards to Walmart are beneficial to the camp and campers.
- June 21 **50-Year Member Recognition**
- June 22 - 27 **Rev. Chris vacation**
- June 19 – July 5 **Karen Thomas vacation**
- June 26 **Wild Things Game** - all available tickets have been reserved. If you requested tickets, please make payment to the Church Office by June 12.

Attendance – May 31, 2026

Sanctuary 58 Zoom 7 Facebook 20

Congratulations!



Pastor: Today we recognize the academic achievements of our graduating seniors. We celebrate with them during this time of graduation.

Graduates: We thank you, O Lord, for the many people who have guided our lives. You have given us many examples to follow: teachers, coaches, counselors, administrators, and our own families who have taught us to believe in ourselves and to believe in you.

Congregation: Lord, help us to celebrate the milestones of our young people. They grow up so fast and learn so much. Thank you for guiding us as we have nurtured them on their journey of faith.

Pastor: But things change. Life is dynamic. We prepare to move on toward the future.

Graduates: Lord, we are both excited and scared as we leave the safety of family and venture into the world.

Congregation: Lord, grant us peace as we say good-bye to those who prepare to leave our midst. We entrust these graduates to your care, knowing that you walk with them.

Pastor: You will be given many new freedoms. You will make many daily decisions as to how you will live your lives.

Graduates: We celebrate our freedoms and ask for guidance in our decisions.

Congregation: The Lord is faithful and promises to be with you as you choose friends who will help you celebrate the goodness of God's love and as you choose a vocation which will use the unique ways God has gifted you.

Pastor: With freedom comes much responsibility.

Graduates: We now take over major responsibility in our lives. We choose where to live and work, how to spend our income and how to live in society.

Congregation: You do not take on those responsibilities alone. Remember our loving God who wishes to guide us in life. Our God also reminds us of our responsibilities to participate in the community of faith and to serve our sisters and brothers with justice and mercy.

Pastor: You go forth from this place to be the light of the world and salt of the earth.

Graduates: God, grant us the power to serve you.

Congregation: As God sent the Holy Spirit to the disciples at Pentecost, God sends the Spirit with you to empower you, to strengthen your faith and to lead you in lives of holiness and service.

Class of 2026

Jordan Keener, daughter of Ron and Jacki Keener and granddaughter of John and Anna Berg, graduated Salutatorian from Trinity High School. She will be attending Elon University in North Carolina to study Statistics.

Grant Newman, son of Scott Newman and Cori Newman and grandson of Tom and Sharl Burk, graduated from McGuffey High School.

Avery T. Powell, daughter of Jim and Jody Powell and granddaughter of Ed and Diane Palfreyman, graduated from Trinity High School. She will be attending New College of Florida in Sarasota to study Marine Biology.

Maddie Robinson, daughter of Daniel and Emily Robinson and granddaughter of Jim and Diane Cope, graduated from Newsome High School. She will be attending the University of Florida in the fall as a dance and psychology major.

Owen Stillwell, son of Rev. Chris Stillwell and Jessi Stillwell, graduated from South Park High School. He will be attending Ohio University in the Fall where he will be studying film.

Shelby Thomas, daughter of Henry and Wendy Thomas, graduated from her homeschool program with highest honors and 29 college credits. She plans to study Environmental Science at PennWest University.



REESE *Award* Winners

McGuffey High School – **Mae Coburn** will be attending Penn State University, majoring in Biological Engineering.

Trinity High School – **Autumn Sitler** will be attending Penn State University, majoring in Chemical Engineering.

Washington High School – **Simone Ivery** will be attending Duquesne University, majoring in Nursing.

Each have received a \$1,000 scholarship.

Class of 2026

Jacob Furshman, son of Drs. Hobie and Maureen Furshman and the grandson of Dave and Carol Davis, graduated from the University of Central Florida with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology. He will be attending Palmer College of Chiropractic in July to pursue his Doctorate Degree.

Katey Gardiner, daughter of Chris and Lisa Gardiner and granddaughter of Bob and Judy Hanning, received a Bachelor of Science in Biology, with minors in Geology and Psychology, from Missouri State University. She is in Wyoming right now on a dig. She is interested in working for the federal or state parks.

Stephanie Keelon, daughter of Mike and Cindy Keelon and granddaughter of Steve and Louie Skariot, graduated from Slippery Rock University with her Master's Degree in Education.