# Manor Talk

## A Publication of Fairhill Manor Christian Church

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Do you remember your baptism? Were you a twelve year old excited about the chance to get wet and then finally get to have the juice during church? Were you an adult who had finally come to the place in your life that you realized that you needed something more and Jesus Christ offered it to you? Were you an infant too young to know what was going on and too young to remember any of it? Have you never been baptized and wonder what it is all about? If you answered yes to any of these questions I invite you to come to Fairhill Manor Christian Church on Sunday, May 19, in order to witness several of our own join the Body of Christ through immersion in the living waters of baptism.

We are blessed to have such a diverse and numerous group of members in the baptism class this year. Shyla Rash, Nora Graff, Ethan Plants, and Carson Throckmorton will be taking part in the class, which will culminate in baptism on the day of Pentecost.

I am so excited for them, but they and I are not the only ones who will be participating in this service. You will be as well. A baptism can be private, but we do it publicly as often as possible because it is an event in which one person or more is baptized and the congregation comes to offer their support and congratulations. Being there to welcome them into the Body of Christ and into membership in our congregation is your role in the service, and to uphold them in prayer and thanksgiving is your duty.

That is not your only part to play in the service, however. You also are asked to remember your own baptism and renew your baptismal vows so that the waters refresh each of us. In these waters when a person is brought to Christ each of us should be brought closer, and for those of you who have never experienced the refreshing waters of grace washing clean your heart from sin and your soul from stain, come and see what it is all about. Maybe you will feel Christ's call as well. Come on in friends the water is fine!

Rev. Chris



- 1 Eli Graff Doris Sorice
- 2 Aaron O'Connell Elisabeth Throckmorton
- 4 Chad Dotson Edward Jackman
- 5 Maggie Caldwell
- 7 David Davis II
- 8 Carl Brandtonies
- 9 Paul Huntsman
- 10 Craig Dotson Lucas Ramirez
- 11 Carson Throckmorton
- 12 Joyce Brandtonies
- 13 Gene Sheller
- 14 Deacon Hritz
- 15 Gannon McDonough Consuello Sheller
- 17 Dick Moninger Peggy Oliverio
- 18 Alexis Bakaitis Rick Couch
- 23 Becky Ashmore Paul Harton
- 24 Maria Sheller
- 26 Colton Crowe
- 27 David Davis Cody Shultz
- 28 Deb Goodwin Jerry Puskarich
- 29 Cori Newman
- 30 Ashley Keene
- 31 Preston Allison Joshua Lee Ingram Brian Riffle





- 6 Chuck & Mary Wiseman
- 20 Todd & Hollan Martinek
- 22 Bob & Judy Hanning Rick & Darla Lewis
- 30 Eric & Julie Meier
- 31 Kevin & Rita Puskarich

Fairhill Manor will be celebrating **Graduate Sunday** on June 9. If you are graduating or you have a family member who is, please contact the Church Office to let us know. You can call the office or send an e-mail with the name of the graduate, school they are graduating from and their relationship to Fairhill member.

Information is needed by **June 2nd**.



### Memorial Brick Garden Laser-Engraved Bricks

The attractive engraved pavers are specially made for Fairhill Manor and are hard-fired for years of enduring beauty. The paver stones are 4x8x21/4" and can be ordered with three lines of text with 20 characters per line including all punctuation and spacing with one clipart. Letters on the brick will be 15mm tall and in the font – Zapf Humnst.

#### The bricks will be \$40.00 each.

Contact the Church Office (724) 225-8610 if you are interested. Bricks will be dedicated on All Saints Day, November 3, 2024.



#### Blanket Sunday, May 12

Our congregation has always supported the CWS Blanket Sunday to change lives in our country and around the world. These blankets cost \$10/each. They are used for folks experiencing displacement, war, famine, natural disasters, homelessness, etc. This special offering will be received during the worship service on May 12. Checks can be written to Fairhill Manor with "blankets" in the memo or you can donate online through Givelify (on the church website under the More tab, and Give. Please give as you can.

"And don't forget to do good and share with those in need." Hebrews 13:16

If you have any non-perishable food items you would like to donate to the Community Circle Food Pantry, you can continue to bring them in and place them on the table by the coffee station in the front entrance of the church. Rev. Chris will take them to the pantry at the beginning of each month. Items needed most at this time Canned Chicken, Canned Tuna, Egg Noodles, Green Beans and Peanut **Butter.** If you or someone you know would like to volunteer or are in need of the Food Pantry's services, they distribute the food every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9-12. The Community Circle Food Pantry is now located at **65 E Cherry Ave** in Washington, and they can be reached at 724-225-1540.



# Laurelview News.....

You can find the updated sponsorship application for Laurelview Camp on the church's website under Ministries - Faith Formation, or contact the Office for a copy. This is the form you should fill out and return to the office before registering online for Camp. enables us to give you a payment code so the church can be billed for the appropriate portion of the registration fee.

# Pill Bottle Donations

During the Month of **May** bring in your empty medicine bottles and drop them in the collection container in the Narthex. Matthew 25: Ministries in Cincinnati accepts donations of empty plastic pill bottles for inclusion in shipments of medical supplies. Their pill bottle program fulfills the dual needs of improving medical care in developing countries and caring for the environment.

During the last collection we sent 603 bottles.

#### Acceptable collection items include:

- Prescription and over-the-counter pill bottles
- Large and small pill bottles
- Pill Bottles with and without secure caps (child-resistant)

#### Pill bottle donations should adhere to the following guidelines:

- All labels should be removed, leaving no glue or residue.
- All bottles and lids should be washed in very hot water and dish soap, rinsed, and dried thoroughly.
- Caps should be placed back onto clean, dried bottles.

# May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
			NA 6:45pm	Choir practice 6:30pm		
				NA 7:30pm		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Sunday School 9am	NA 7pm		Elders Meeting 5:30pm	Choir practice 6:30pm		
Worship			NA 6:45pm	NA 7:30pm		
10:15am			Board Meeting 7pm			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Sunday School 9am Worship	Stewardship/ Finance Ministries 5:30pm		NA 6:45pm	Tri-County Men's Dinner Connellsville 6pm		
10:15am	NA 7pm			Choir practice 6:30pm		
10	20	21	22	NA 7:30pm	2.1	2.5
19		21	22	23	24	25
Sunday School 9am	NA 7pm		NA 6:45pm	Personnel Committee 3pm		
Worship 10:15am				Choir practice 6:30pm		
Pentecost Celebration				NA 7:30pm		
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Worship 10:15am	Memorial Day Remember & Honor		NA 6:45pm	Choir practice 6:30pm NA 7:30pm		

# International Recording Gospel Artist

# Jim Worthing



Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 6PM at

Meadow Lands United Methodist Church 535 Pike St., Meadow Lands PA 15347

Love offering will be taken