Manor Talk

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Movie Night

The fifth movie of the *Indiana Jones* film series comes out on June 30. Join us as we watch the first four movies in order on the TV in the Small Hall on Thursdays in June beginning at 7:30 pm. Bring a snack to share!









This month we will honor the graduates of the church as they finish their schooling and commence with their professional lives. I like that graduations fall around the time of Pentecost, which is when the disciples received the Holy Spirit that Jesus had promised would come to them. When this happened in Jerusalem the disciples, like so many high school and college aged students around the country, graduated from their course of study at the feet of their teacher and went to make their own name in the world. In this way their life as disciples ended and their time as apostles commenced, and what they did with the knowledge that they had learned was recorded in the book of the Bible named The Acts of the Apostles.

Now that graduation is in the air, and young people everywhere are facing the prospect of going out into the world to make their way, I thought it would be good if we, the young people here at Fairhill Manor, studied the book of Acts for inspiration as well. Come to church this summer and hear many of the great stories of beginning of the church, from Paul's conversion and travels, to Peter's vision and the beginning and establishment of the church.

We will begin on June 4 and go through September preaching our way through this wonderful and fascinating book. Come hear stories you know but weren't sure from where they came, and come hear stories that you have never heard. I invite you to read along as we go along and, together, let us be inspired by the Acts of the Apostles to perform great acts of our own!

Rev. Chris

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- 1 Gerry Huntsman
- 3 Brynn Martinek David Waters
- 6 Darla Lewis
- 8 Becca Caldwell
- 9 Julie MeierDiane Palfreyman
- 10 Patty Fraley Catherine McVay
- 12 Eleanor Boyles Shawn Dallatore Janet Kademenos Nan Sekorky
- 14 James Britton
- 15 James Cope Sandy Paul Grace Vanatta
- 17 AJ Rizor
- 18 Jessi Stillwell
- 19 Diana Crowe
- 21 Sandy Vanatta
- 22 Jeanne Riffle
- 24 Ray Ingram Jakob Mountain Jace Simpson
- 27 Cami Allison Katey Gardiner
- 28 Johanna Vanatta
- 30 Liliene Hess Zachary Kunkle

Graduate Sunday Recognition June 4





Tammie Wallace would like to thank everyone for their continued thoughts and prayers.

Serena Dube would like to thank everyone that donated buttons for the recent children's activity. Everyone had a great time learning how to make button flowers.



- 1 Bo & Patty Pryor
- 4 Gary & Carolyn Blackhurst
- 7 Aaron & Johanna Vanatta
- 8 Jeanne & Perry Riffle
- 17 Chuck & Betty Jo Riggle
- 20 Robert & Kelly Leitsch
- 21 Doug & Maggie Graff
- 28 Doug & Patty Fraley William & Sheri Leitsch

Laurelview News.....

You can find the updated sponsorship application for **Laurelview Camp** on the church's website under the "faith formation" tab, 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. This enables us to give you a payment code so the church can be billed for the appropriate portion of the registration fee.

Chi Rho Camp	7-9	June 18-24 (Sun-Sat)
Conference	10-new grads	June 25-July 1 (Sun-Sat)
Family	All ages	July 6-9 (Thu-Sun)
Junior Camp	4-6	July 16-22 (Sun-Sat)
Mini Camp	1-3	July 23-26 (Sun-Wed)



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 are: cereal, jelly, corn, green beans, toilet paper, **shampoo** and **soap**. 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 located at 69 E. Pine Ave in Washington, and they can be reached at 724-225-1540.





First Aid kits have been stocked and placed in the first aid stations. The first aid stations are located on the wall by the Shepherds Room and in the kitchen off of the Large Fellowship Hall. If you use items out of the red pouches, please put the pouch in the Office mail slot so it can be restocked.

Narcan is also stocked in the first aid stations as well as in the AED panel in the Narthex.

WE ARE COLLECTING...

We are still collecting bottle caps for the Washington Park bench project. The park has decided to make this an ongoing project so continue to bring in your caps.



There is a container in the Narthex to place your caps.

Please make sure your caps are CLEAN and do not have any paper in the caps.

We are going to begin collecting **empty medicine bottles**. The bottles will be sent to Matthew 25 Ministries in Cincinnati and sent to undeveloped countries. There will be a collection container in the Narthex.

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) Must include cap.

Pill bottle donations should adhere to the following guidelines:

- Bottles included in shipments of medical supplies must have an all plastic lid.
- Bottles should be sorted by color and type.
- 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.

Fairhill Manor Christian Church Board Meeting Secretary Report May 10, 2023

We Assemble in God's Name

Moderator, Gene Sheller, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM by lighting the candle representing the Holy Spirit. He gave a devotion on BYKOTA. Rev. Chris opened the meeting with a prayer.

We Celebrate our Past

The FMCC Board reviewed the submitted reports from the Senior Minister, Associate Pastor, Board Secretary, Treasurer, and Church Clerk.

Moderator Gene Sheller asked if there were any questions regarding these reports or if there were any comments from the person submitting these reports. Brian Shaw wanted to highlight that the general fund at the end of March is \$24,704.73 to the good compared to a deficit at the end of April. The church received a \$20,000 check from an anonymous donor. Brian is going to send the donor a thank you letter.

A motion to accept these reports was made by Linda Reese and 2nd by Jerry Puskarich. The motion was carried unanimously.

We Present Our Offering

The FMCC Board reviewed the submitted Ministry Reports. Reports submitted were from the Elders, Trustees, Stewardship/Finance Ministry, Christian Education Ministry, Personnel Committee, and the Croppers.

Moderator Gene Sheller asked if there were any questions regarding these reports or if there were any comments from the person submitting these reports.

Jerry Puskarich submitted the attached meeting points for the Stewardship/Finance Ministry and the Personnel Committee.

A motion to accept the Ministry Reports was made by Rita Puskarich and 2nd by Tom Ulery. The motion carried unanimously.

Concerns of the Past (Old Business)

1. Wedding Policy Task Force
The Wedding Policy survey is ready. A review of Wedding Policy changes throughout the years is being done. When the review is done the survey will be sent out.

After the survey results are known by the Wedding Policy Task Force, a recommendation will be made to the Board. The Board will determine if, and when, a congregational vote to change the policy will be held. If the board determines a vote will be taken it will be held according to the timelines outlined in the constitution.

2. Stained Glass Task Force.

Jerry Puskarich suggested that Kevin Puskarich be elected the Project Manager.

Jerry Puskarich said there are three options to consider which are do nothing, replace the cover on the

roof, or extend the roof over the stained glass. The Stained Glass Task Force unanimously decided to

recommend extending the roof over the stained glass.

Potential contractors need to be contacted. It is recommended that there be a pre-bid meeting for all contractors to look at the job and decide if they want to bid.

Jerry said that Kevin Puskarich has done a lot of the physical work.

Kevin Puskarich showed the board a model of how the extended roof would look.

He is also working on how to light the stained glass. He suggested that conduits be installed the length of the stained glass on either side. LED lights on tape would be pushed through the conduit. The lights then can be plugged into an outlet. Since they are LED lights they should last for a long time. The tape comes in 160 ft. pieces. It can be cut every 18 inches if any lights need to be replaced. The total cost to do the lighting will be approximately \$2,000.

The roofer who does the project with remove the dome, clean the stained glass, install the conduit, and put a cover on the stained glass to protect it.

There is access to the stained glass at the front of the church behind the altar. Steps need to be built for easier access. There is a second access to the stained glass back near the sound room. The roofer has to leave room for access to the stained glass.

Serena Dube asked if the lights come with a dimmer. Kevin said you can get a dimmer for the lights.

Jerry Puskarich suggested that when steps are added for easier access, a cage should be around them for safety.

Gene Sheller said that the Task Force agreed that the stained glass area of the roof is structurally sound, and Kevin concurred with that opinion.

Issues of the Future (New Business)

1. Sealing of Parking Lot

The trustees obtained five bids for sealing the parking lot. They chose Bevec for the price of \$11,920. Ed Palfreyman said Bevec has done the paving in the past and has done a good job. This job can be paid for out of the trustees account because they have been saving money to have it done. Ed is going to suggest that the Literacy Council help with the cost since they use the parking lot every week day.

Jerry Puskarich said that a W-9 Form needs to be filled out by Bevec. Ed Palfreyman will take care of it.

Chuck Riggle asked when the project will be started. Ed Palfreyman said it would have to be done on a Friday and Saturday when Bevec can get it scheduled.

Gene Sheller asked if there was any more discussion.

Tammie Wallace made motion to allow the trustees to spend \$11,920 to have the parking lot sealed, all the cracks sealed, and to have all the parking lines and handicapped spaces painted as it is now by Bevec. The motion was 2nd by Linda Reese. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Rita Puskarich mentioned that she has seen people smoking in the parking lot close to the church. The trustees were supposed to put up no smoking signs but have not put them up yet. Ed Palfreyman said he

will put up no smoking signs.

3. Ed Palfreyman said the trustees obtained one bid to repair the steps in the front of the church but he has not heard back from the person who bid. The bid included grinding all the steps and the four pads below the steps, patching any cracks and defects and grinding them down, and sealing everything with a colored sealer that is called French Gray. It will take approximately two days of work. This should last for three years. In three years, the steps will need sealed again. He quoted a price of \$1,600.

Kevin Puskarich suggested Ed ask him to see some of the work he has done.

Jerry Puskarich asked about having the steps repaired with Nature Stone. Brian Shaw suggested using epoxy material on the steps.

Kevin Puskarich made a motion to table the step repairs until the next board meeting so the trustees can look into the work of the one person they obtained a bid from and to look into an epoxy type repair. The motion was 2nd by Jerry Puskarich. The motion was carried unanimously.

4. Delegates for the General Assembly

There is \$250 in the budget to pay for registration to the general assembly. There is also \$1,616.50 in an escrow fund that is separate from the budget amount.

Chuck Riggle asked where and when the general assembly is to be held. It is in Louisville, KY on July 29 through August 1.

Linda Reese is Fairhill Manor Christian Church's delegate to the general assembly.

Rita Puskarich made a motion to cover Linda's registration fee and housing in the amount of \$850.00 and to have her turn in a voucher when she returns with her other expenses to also be covered by the church. Jerry Puskarich 2nd the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Leaving in God's Name

Gene Sheller adjourned the meeting at 8:00PM. Pastor Gena closed the meeting with a prayer.

In Attendance

Gene Sheller (Moderator), Sharl Burk, Serena Dube, Jody Mullis, Jackie Nelson, Carmen Oliverio, Diane Palfreyman, Ed Palfreyman, Jerry Puskarich, Kevin Puskarich, Rita Puskarich, Linda Reese, Chuck Riggle, Brian Shaw, Tom Ulery, Tammie Wallace, Candy Wasalasky, Associate Pastor Gena Sheller*, Senior Minister Chris Stillwell*.

Next Board Meeting is Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

Submitted in Christian love, Sharl Burk, FMCC Board Secretary

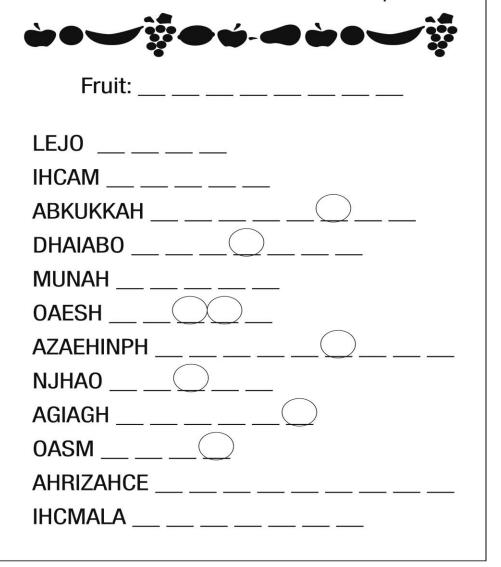
^{*}Indicates non-voting members.

June 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
				Choir 6:30pm		
				Movie 7:30pm Small Hall		
				NA 7:30pm		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sunday School 9am Worship 10:15am	NA 7pm		Bible Study 1-2pm via Zoom	Personnel Committee 3-4:30pm Library		Wedding
Graduate Sunday			NA 6:45pm	Stewardship/ Finance 5:30pm Library		
				Choir 6:30pm		
				Movie 7:30pm Small Hall		
				NA 7:30pm		
11	12	13	14	15		17
Sunday School 9am Worship 10:15am	NA 7pm	Personnel Committee 3-5pm Library	Bible Study 1-2pm via Zoom Elders 5:30pm Via Zoom NA 6:45pm	Choir 6:30pm Movie 7:30pm Small Hall NA 7:30pm	Wild Things Game 7pm	Croppers 8am-10pm
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Sunday School 9am Worship 10:15am Happy Father's Day	NA 7pm		NA 6:45pm	Personnel Committee 3-4:30pm Choir 6:30pm Movie 7:30pm Small Hall NA 7:30pm		
25	26	27	28	29	30	
Sunday School 9am Worship 10:15am	NA 7pm	Bethany Class Luncheon Noon @ Eat'n Park	NA 6:45pm	Choir 6:30pm NA 7:30pm		



The 12 Old Testament books known as the Minor Prophets aren't unimportant — just short! Unscramble the names of these books. Then unscramble the circled letters to find a fruit of the Spirit.



Answers: Joel, Micah, Habakkuk, Obadiah, Nahum, Hosea, Zephaniah, Jonah, Haggai, Amos, Zechariah, Malachi; Kindness