

December 1, 2024

“The Gift of Hope”

Notes from today’s message:
Romans 5:1-11

Paul writes that we can “boast” of our hope, because of...

- The _____ of our hope: sharing the _____ of God. Verse 5.2
- The _____ of our hope: Godly _____. Verse 5.4
- The _____ of our hope: the _____ of God. Verses 5.5-11

PRAYER LIST

Prayer List Policy: We will leave each name on the list for 3 weeks.
* First week; ** 2nd week; *** Final week unless otherwise requested.

Rachel Burkett, Mark Deane, James Holt, Beth Smith, Francis Berger, Claude Berger, Susan Ratliff, Tayler Tennant, Don Nodtvedt, Ann Jennings, Judy Bryant, Rachel Whitt, Brenda Harden, Lea Smith, Clay Knick, Ainsley & Rory Sullivan, Sandra Hardy, Ronald Brooks, Herb Hardy, Kaitlyn Sage, Phyllis Mitchell, our Church Family, **Wilson “Sonny” Overstreet, **Nancy South, **Family of Mary Connor, **Rodger Armstrong, **Joel Guilliams, ***Jenna Saunders, ***Danny & Belinda Saunders, ***Family of John Mitchell, ***Evelyn Collins, ***Kim Greer, ***Family of Scotty Gray.

Other prayer requests? Please write them on a Welcome Card located in your pew and drop them in the offering plate.

Remember those in Nursing Homes & Assisted Living Facilities:

Stratford House: Nancy Weatherford Roman Eagle: Becky Harris
Nancy Batterman
Katie Eubank

Remember our Servicemen and Servicewomen

Andrew Nodtvedt Aidan Hall

THIS WEEK AT FAIRVIEW

Sunday, December 1
9:00 am Contemporary Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship
5:15 pm Youth Group
12:15 pm Family Advent Festival

Monday, December 2
10:30 am Staff Meeting
6:00 pm Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, December 3
9:00 am Backpacks Team Mary
6:30 pm Cub Scouts
7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday, December 4
No Bible Studies
5:15 pm First Wednesday
6:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, December 5

Friday, December 6
6:00 pm BKK Polar Express Night

Sunday, December 8
9:00 am Contemporary Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship
5:15 pm Youth Group

Fairview Church Directory of Information

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Dir. of Children & Families: Margaret Snider
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Interim Dir. of Music/Pianist Dee Dee Dillard

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Ministers: Fairview Church Congregation

Total Giving Compared to Expenses as of 11/24/2024

Total year-to-date budgeted giving: \$458,548.27

Total year-to-date budgeted expenses: \$463,301.22

Upcoming Dates to Remember

December 4 – First Wednesdays at Fairview

December 11 – Children’s Christmas Program

December 13 – Christmas Worship Night

December 20 – BKK Christmas Program

December 24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December Missions

During December our monthly mission focus will be on collecting donations for the Fellowship Fund so we can continue to assist with needs in the community. You can place your donations in the Little White Church or in the offering plate in an envelope mark Fellowship Fund. Thanks so much for your wonderful response of lap throws for the nursing homes. Your generosity is truly appreciated!

First Wednesdays at Fairview

Starting December 4, we will hold a First Wednesday gathering in the Social Hall. It will begin with a Pizza Dinner, including pizza from Dell’Annos, salad, dessert and beverage. Then there will be activities for all ages. Winston Crichlow will be our first speaker for the adults. The event is no charge and open to the entire church. We do need a head count so please RSVP on the enclosed form.

Children’s Christmas Program

Our Children’s Ministries team is excited to present this year’s Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 11 at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary. The play this year is called “The Christmas Llama Drama” and the kids have been hard at work rehearsing. Please make plans to come out and support the children and the Children’s Ministries here at Fairview. We guarantee you’ll be blessed!

Christmas Worship Night

Please mark your calendars for Friday, December 13 in the Sanctuary from 6:00 until 8:00pm. We will have a night of worship and praise with music and fellowship. This event is open to the entire community and the church.

Christmas Poinsettias

Holiday poinsettias are \$15 each for a 6” pot with wrapping and a bow. Find order forms in your bulletin today. Return your order forms and payment to the church office on or before Monday, December 16. Poinsettias will be displayed in worship on December 22.

Advent Resources & Christmas Card Mail Center

Remember to check the fellowship room for tons of special advent publications, and we’ve set up the Christmas card mail center for your convenience. Don’t forget to check the mail center each Sunday.

Staff Love Offering

This is a reminder to use a Love Offering envelope if you are giving a Christmas Love Offering for your church staff. Extra Love Offering envelopes are located in the racks on the pews.

Contemporary Worship

The time for Contemporary Worship will change to 8:45am starting on December 15. Please make a note of it.



*Love God * Share Hope * Serve All*

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1st Sunday in Advent

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Dee Dee Dillard

Lighting of the Candles Brennan Cleary

***Responsive Lighting of the Advent Candle: Hope insert, on screen**

***Hymn “O Come, O Come Emmanuel” #211**
(verses 1, 5, 6, 7)

***The Apostles’ Creed #881**

***Gloria Patri #70**

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Morning Prayer

Special Music Choir

Offering & Offertory Dee Dee Dillard

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Lighting of the Advent Candle

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Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

When hope is lost,

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When people are hurting,

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When nations are fighting,

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Restore us, O God. Bring us closer to hope, the hope that lights the way on the journey to Bethlehem. During this season of waiting may we be open to signs of your restoring love. As we light this first Advent Candle, let us pray for God's restoration amid brokenness and despair.

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