

THE CALL

Fairmont Presbyterian Church

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Vacation Bible School 2023 is almost here! Beginning June 12, more than 50 Fairmont adults and children will come together every morning for 4 days to celebrate and learn about God. VBS is one of our church's largest events of the year, touching so many young lives.

The world holds so much negativity, competition, and uncertainty. My goal is for Fairmont's VBS to be a reprieve from it all - providing a space of love, acceptance, forgiveness, and belonging. It gives our church the opportunity to reach our children in a fun and immersive environment where God, play, and learning are all entwined. It makes time and space for learning about our Bible, developing a moral compass, and building a stronger foundation of faith.

At Stellar VBS, kids launch on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast while learning about shining Jesus' light. We will explore how Jesus shined hope, love, forgiveness, and joy to the world - and how we can do the same in our lives today!

Each day begins with *Sing & Play Blast Off*, a time to worship and learn about the daily Bible theme. After we prepare for our day with singing and prayer, children and leaders break into four "crews" with whom they'll travel between stations. *Stellar Bible Adventures* teaches God's stories while also exploring what life may have been like in Jesus' time. *KidVid Cinema* brings our Bible theme current-day, helping children understand how to shine Jesus' light in their own lives. *Imagination Station* allows hands-on learning with interactive science experiments and crafts. *All-Star Games* connects the daily Bible point with play. *Galactic Snacks* provides time for relaxation and fellowship while enjoying yummy treats. Finally, our day ends in *Cosmic Closing* where everyone comes back together to celebrate God and summarize the fun-packed day we had.

It is crucial to remember this program cannot just... "happen." We need people like you volunteering to lead groups, tell Bible stories, assist with crafts, prep snacks, help create sets, and so much more. In giving your time, you are choosing to share your love of God with developing minds. This gift is incredibly valuable. This entire production must be provided by and supported by you - not just Fairmont as a whole, but you as an individual. Only with your prayers, giving of time, and money can VBS be offered at all. Financial support through pledges is also vital in acquiring materials, but devotional books, craft supplies, and decorations are not what will show our children the love of God. It is your presence, prayers, individual gifts, love, and passion for Christ that show the love of God. This is the way VBS "happens." With you.

In supporting VBS, we uphold our baptismal vows when we, "promised to guide and nurture our children by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ." I am so grateful to work with such a loving, giving congregation who value their involvement in the faith formation of our children.

I am "over the moon" excited to experience the impact of this week alongside my Fairmont family members, young and old.

- Loralei

WORSHIP

In-person Casual Service 8:30am

Traditional Service 10:30am

Our Traditional 10:30am worship offering will be live-streamed beginning at 10:15am on YouTube.

Visit www.fairmontchurch.org/online for links to all past and upcoming live streams.

June 4	Trinity Sunday/Communion Lesson: Matthew 10:1-23 Sermon: How to Be a Disciple
June 11	2nd Sunday after Pentecost Lesson: Matthew 10:26-42 Sermon: Whom to Fear
June 18	3rd Sunday after Pentecost Lesson: Matthew 11:7-24 Sermon: Soft Robes
June 25	4th Sunday after Pentecost Lesson: Matthew 12:15-32 Sermon: By Whose Authority?
July 2	5th Sunday after Pentecost/ Communion Lesson: Matthew 12:33-37, 46:50 Sermon: Fruit Bearing Tree
July 9	6th Sunday after Pentecost Lesson: Matthew 13:44-58 Sermon: Learning As We Already Know
July 16	7th Sunday after Pentecost Lesson: Matthew 13:24-32, 36-43 Sermon: Gardening Lessons
July 23	8th Sunday after Pentecost Lesson: Matthew 14:1-12 Sermon: Where Politics Gets You
July 30	9th Sunday after Pentecost Lesson: Matthew 14:13-21 Sermon: Give Them Something to Eat

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

We will hold a short congregational meeting on Sunday June 18th at 10:00am (to permit people from both services to participate) to elect congregational officers for the next year.

ANNUAL MEETING

Join us on Sunday July 30 following a single service of worship at 10:30 for our annual meeting sharing information about all our ministries over the past year. Our annual report will be available for you by July 23.

SUMMER TEACHING SABBATH

Midweek adult education classes will be taking a summer sabbath. There will be no midweek evening Connections and Bible Study classes during June through August. But do not worry, all our classes will be returning and expanding in September.

WHERE IS BRIAN?

Brian will be leading and teaching with his friend Rabbi Brad Hirschfield a group of 29 pastors in the Holy Land June 26-July 8. Please pray for their safety and growth.

CONGRATULATIONS RACHEL

Rachel Boden, who is a candidate for ordination under the care of Fairmont, graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary on May 20. Rachel has been called by the congregation of Sycamore Presbyterian Church to serve as their new Associate Pastor for Youth and Family ministries. Rachel will be starting her ministry on June 5. We anticipate a formal service of ordination sometime later this summer or autumn. We celebrate all of Rachel's accomplishments knowing that she will be a means of God's blessings to the Sycamore congregation.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light!

Vacation Bible School 2023

June 12th - 15th | 9am-12pm

At Stellar VBS, kids shine Jesus' light! Stellar is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! **Register kids and volunteers online** at www.fairmontchurch.org/vbs

**Can't volunteer, but still want to help? Check out our donation board or ask about helping with prep!* Contact Lorelei for questions or information!

Summer Family Event

Sunday, July 9th, 11:45am

Popsicles &

Playground Party

Children, youth, and their families are invited to join on Fairmont's playground after worship on July 9th for a time of play, snacks, popsicles, and fellowship!

Sunday Nursery is provided from 8am-12pm on Sunday mornings by Caroline Buchheit. As a reminder, only children birth - 3 years old may stay in the nursery for the safety of our youngest.

Children's Sunday School is not currently meeting due to our customary **Summer Break!** Activity pages will be provided in worship for children during the summer.

Upcoming Children's Events:

Mon-Thurs, June 12-15: Vacation Bible School

Sunday, July 9: Popsicles & Playground Party

Sunday, August 20: Summer Send-Off

FAIRMONT YOUTH MINISTRY

(Grades 6th -12th)

Summer Schedule

Fairmont Youth Ministry will move to a *summer schedule* for June, July, and August. Once-a-month, Fairmont Youth will meet for a special summer youth event.

JUNE

June 12-15: Volunteer for Vacation Bible School

June 28: King's Island Trip (Youth and Family)

JULY

July 16: Pool Party & Cookout



AUGUST

August 20: Children, Youth, and Family Summer
Send-Off Spectacular

Pastor Kelley can be reached by email at kshin@fairmontchurch.org or by text or phone at (937) 751-0752.

FAIRMONT FAMILY NIGHT

FAIRMONT FAMILY NIGHT will take a **break for the summer** and will resume in September 2023. For questions, contact Pastor Kelley or Lorelei Harding.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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July						
5th Sunday after Pentecost/ Communion	Office Closed	Independence Day (Office Closed)	4:30pm: Praise Band (fh) 7:30pm: AA (012)	7:00pm: NA (012)	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh) 12:00pm: OA (rc)	8
6th Sunday after Pentecost	10	11	12	13	14	15
8:30am: Casual Service (fh)		11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh) 12:00pm: AA (012) 12:00pm: OA (rc)	4:30pm: Praise Band (fh) 7:30pm: AA (012)	7:00pm: NA (012)	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh) 12:00pm: OA (rc)	
10:30am: Traditional Service (sanctuary)						
11:45am: Popsicles & Playground Party						
7th Sunday after Pentecost	17	18	19	20	21	22
8:30am: Casual Service (fh)		11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh) 12:00pm: AA (012) 12:00pm: OA (rc)	11:30am: Fairmont Men's Luncheon (offsite) 4:30pm: Praise Band (fh) 7:30pm: AA (012)	7:00pm: NA (012)	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh) 12:00pm: OA (rc)	
10:30am: Traditional Service (sanctuary)						
12:00pm: Youth Pool Party						
8th Sunday after Pentecost	24	25	26	27	28	29
8:30am: Casual Service		11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh) 12:00pm: AA (012) 12:00pm: OA (rc)	4:30pm: Praise Band (fh) 7:30pm: AA (012)	1:00pm: Rug Hooking 7:00pm: NA (012)	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh) 12:00pm: OA (rc)	
10:30am: Traditional Service						
9th Sunday after Pentecost	30					
10:30am: Single Service Annual Meeting						

MISSION BEYOND THE CONGREGATION

Helping Hands, Helping Hearts



Fairmont's mission activities focus primarily on local organizations that benefit at-risk families, children, and youth in our community and provide opportunities for hands-on mission work.

Thank you for supporting *Kettering School Nurses* with much needed supplies this Spring. Our mission collection for the Kettering School Nurses is paused for the Summer. Other mission gifts from the heart continue:

Ronald McDonald House Charities

Every spring, *Ronald McDonald House Charities* in Dayton celebrates the blessing of small gifts, and our Dayton heritage of the pull-tab invented by Ernal Frazee. Aluminum pop tabs are collected throughout the year at the Mission Table. Does your workplace have a pop-stocked break room? Set out a collection box! Do you have a baggie full at home? Bring it on in! Those little aluminum pop-tops saved by school kids, work communities, and families contribute to a quiet bed, a warm meal, a place to hold one's family together when illness or injury keeps a child away from home for weeks or months. Little gifts of tabs from soda, soup, pet food, and similar containers become a huge blessing to a family.

Dayton Foodbank & FISH Pantry

FISH Food Pantry suggests these items, highly needed but less commonly donated: dishwashing detergent, feminine hygiene products, **boxed** milk (shelf-stable), cooking oil, coffee, or teabags. Collection bins are located near the elevator and in the coatroom next to the office.

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World Central Kitchen

In 2021, World Central Kitchen was added to the organizations we support, as we focus on those in need. WCK is on site serving chef-prepared meals to communities impacted by natural disasters and during prolonged humanitarian crises. They are a team of food first responders who mobilize with urgency to get meals to the people who need them most. As an example of the power of this organization, to date, WCK has distributed over a million meals to earthquake survivors in Syria and Turkey. If you wish to donate to WCK, simply mark WCK on your check or contribution envelope.



ART, ANTIQUE, & CRAFT SHOW

The Art, Antique, and Craft Show committee is collecting items for the fall Art, Antique, and Craft show. If you are willing to sort out your jewelry, broken jewelry, collectibles, antiques, pottery, vintage items, canning jars (quarts & pints), seasonal items, cookbooks, puzzles, decorative items, Christmas trees and ornaments we would be so grateful!

If you have any questions on any items to donate, please contact Carolyn and our committee.

WOMEN OF FAIRMONT

At the May 1st WOF Coordinating Committee meeting, we were able to make generous donations to local area organizations that make a real difference in our community. The organizations are:

Broken Bus
Gem Project
Oak Tree Corner
Girls on the Run
Victory Project
Building Bridges
South Community

WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT

Women's Day Retreat

"Summer Sabbath"

DATE: Saturday, June 24, 2023
TIME: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
WHERE: Bergamo Center, Beavercreek, Ohio
WHAT: *Day Retreat for All Fairmont Women* - Hiking, Faith Conversations, Meals, Fellowship, Sabbath Time, Small Groups
COST: \$25 includes breakfast, lunch, snacks, drinks
RSVP: RSVP no later than Sunday, June 4th

Contact Pastor Kelley at
kshin@fairmontchurch.org or sign-up in the Fellowship Hall or Black & White Narthex

ANOUNCEMENTS

FAIRMONT MEN'S GROUP

Fairmont Men's Group will meet at MCL Cafeteria on Wednesday, June 21st at 11:30 am. Sign "Lunch" on the attendance pad on Sunday or call the church office at (937) 299-3539 or you may email the church at office@fairmontchurch.org by noon on Tuesday, June 20th, to make a reservation. All the men of the church are invited!

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Summer Schedule

Theology on Tap will be meeting ONCE a month on the first Friday of each month at Carillon Park. All are welcome!

JUNE & JULY For the months of June and July, Theology on Tap will meet at *Carillon Park Brewery* (1000 Carillon Blvd) at 5:00 p.m. on Fridays, June 2 and July 7, 2023.

VBS AFTER PARTY

Thursday, June 15th, 12:15pm

Everyone is invited to our VBS After Party! Join children, volunteers, and their families in Fellowship Hall to celebrate a wonderful week... and get a taste of Stellar VBS excitement!



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STAFF

Pastor/Head of Staff: Brian Maguire

Associate Pastor: Kelley Wehmeyer Shin

Children's Ministry Coordinator: Lorelei Harding

Director of Music Ministries: Coleman Clark

Organist: Judy Bede

Bookkeeper: Martha Keil

Custodian: Louis Weyrauch

Administrative Assistant: Jennifer Mason

June & July Birthdays

Brench Boden II	06/01	Kelli Fromm	06/20	Lois Thomas	07/08	Kenneth Ginader	07/22
Marilyn Dickey	06/01	Abby Taylor	06/20	Asher Favro	07/09	Jean Kirby	07/22
Sally Athmer	06/02	Pauline Flory	06/21	Keith Bussey	07/12	Mike Porter	07/23
Jim Webster	06/02	Gary Lamb	06/21	William Whitesell	07/13	Lachlan Harper Adam	07/24
Rachel Boden	06/03	Brian Maguire	06/21	Sally Bruggemann	07/15	Lavender Harper Adam	07/24
Owen Hoskins	06/04	Lisa Shearer	06/25	Helen Kanis	07/15	Pete Schilling	07/26
Kimberly Ludwig	06/04	F. Paul Fiden	06/26	Doris Olt	07/18	Verne Dodson	07/27
Wendy Ernst	06/07	Margaret Venable	06/26	David Bausman	07/19	Jayne Hood	07/27
Jackson Bussey	06/08	Lauren Luther	06/27	Louis Weyrauch	07/19	Chazz Hoskins	07/27
Ned Bruzzese	06/12	Monica Mantia	06/28	Justin Miles	07/20	Charles Chamberlain Jr.	07/28
Jack Yoder	06/12	Koneta Schneider	06/29	Dinah Miller	07/20	Sue Daley	07/28
Charles Ellis	06/16	James Runkle	07/03	Michael Vickroy	07/20	Nancy Crichton	07/29
Aaron Fromm	06/16	Elizabeth Lewis	07/05	Sara Deem	07/22	Brenda Kolb	07/29
Peggy Van Deursen	06/18					Betty Jean Schwinn	07/30
Jim Miles	06/19					William Stager	07/30
Janet Runkle	06/19					Thomas Rose	07/31



DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT CALL

The deadline for The June/July Call is Friday, May 19, 2023.

Please submit Call & bulletin articles to Jennifer at: jmason@fairmontchurch.org.

For website inquiries, contact Lorelei at: lharding@fairmontchurch.org.