

# THE CALL

Fairmont Presbyterian Church

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## THOUGHTS FROM BRIAN

He is Risen!

And so shall we!

On Easter Sunday we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, God's validation of hope over the power of death. And in the weeks following Easter, Fairmont too will be undergoing its own progressive renewal of life and hope.

**On Sunday April 18, at 9:00 a.m. we will resume in-person worship in the fellowship hall at our causal service.**

**Then, on Sunday May 16 at 10:30 a.m. we will resume in-person worship in our sanctuary for our traditional service.**

This reopening has been a long time coming and is possible thanks to the dedicated efforts of health professionals in our community and the increasing population of vaccinated adults. Fairmont's session, has decided that although Covid-19 remains a real public health risk, with proper safeguards we can resume public in-person worship with a reasonable degree of safety.

We will still be following recommended public safety guidelines to reduce risks. You will be required to wear a face mask in worship, and one will be provided to you if you do not have one.

You will be asked to sit approximately six feet apart from other household groups and alternating pews will be roped off. There will be no congregational or choral singing, at least initially. If you experience flu-like symptoms, we ask you to join us online that Sunday instead of in-person. We will not be holding coffee hour, at least initially. And we ask you to practice extra hand hygiene both by washing and with the newly added sanitizer stations throughout the church. Please understand that these safeguards are especially necessary to protect those in our community, like children, who are not presently vaccinated. They are simple gestures of mutual care and love.

We also recognize that many people will not feel comfortable returning to in-person worship. The Covid-19 pandemic will be with us, albeit at a less intense level, for a long time to come. Our online ministry presence has been valued by so many people both here in Dayton and across the country. Accordingly, we are continuing our online worship services at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday without interruption as a permanent part of our ministry.

It has been a long and lonely year for many. The church building seems oddly empty without the church, which is you. It is a delight to finally say, please join us for worship starting on April 18 for the early service and May 16 for the traditional service in-person at Fairmont!

## WORSHIP

All worship offerings will be live-streamed online.

Visit [www.fairmontchurch.org/worship-videos](http://www.fairmontchurch.org/worship-videos) for links to all past and upcoming live streams.

### Holy Week

April 1 Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m.

Lesson: Matthew 26:20-35

Sermon: Blood

April 2 Good Friday Service of Tenebrae 7:00 p.m.

April 3 Holy Saturday 2:00 p.m.

Lesson: The Gospel of Mark

April 4 Resurrection Sunday

8:30 a.m. Sunrise Service in the parking lot.

10:30 a.m. Online

Lesson: Mark 16

Sermon: The End of the Beginning

April 11 Second Sunday of Easter

Lesson: Mark 2:1-12

Sermon: Through the Roof

April 18 Third Sunday of Easter

Lesson: Mark 2:13-22

Sermon: Look Who's Coming to Dinner

April 25 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Lesson: Mark 2:23-3:6

Sermon: The Law of Life

## ONLINE MINISTRIES

Coffee Fellowship: Sundays, 11:30am

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84211231244>

Zoom Meeting ID: 842 1123 1244

Kidz Korner Online: Sundays, 11:45 am

Zoom Meeting Link: [Zoom Meeting Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86575832345](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86575832345)

Zoom Meeting ID: 865 7583 2345

PYC Online: Sundays, 1:30pm

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85978434870>

Zoom Meeting ID: 859 7843 4870

Choir Rehearsal: Every Wednesday, 7:00pm

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/93128963106>

Zoom Meeting ID: 931-2896-3106

Connections: Wednesdays, 7:00pm

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84170790852>

Zoom Meeting ID: 841 7079 0852

Bible Study: Thursdays, 7:30pm

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86422990477>

Zoom Meeting ID: 864 2299 0477

Theology on Tap: 1st & 3rd Fridays, 5:00pm

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89247878247>

Zoom Meeting ID: 892 4787 8247

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

### VIRTUAL CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Ages 3 through grade 5 are invited to join in "Virtual Sunday school" Sundays at 11:45am following worship.

Our new curriculum has been a success! Children are loving the lessons which include great theological content and engaging videos which reinforce the stories and values we find in scripture. Links and resources will be available in the weekly Kidz Korner email.

### FAIRMONT YOUTH MINISTRY

Fairmont Youth Ministry (grades 6th-12th) is meeting each Sunday *via Zoom* at 1:30 p.m. Fairmont Youth share in a time of online bible study, fellowship, and fun. Pastor Kelley can be reached by email at [kshin@fairmontchurch.org](mailto:kshin@fairmontchurch.org) or by text or phone at (937) 751-0752.

### Youth Ministry schedule for April 2021:

April 4:	EASTER - NO YOUTH
April 11 (In-Person):	Outdoor Hike
April 18 (Zoom):	Dead Sea Scrolls
April 25 (Zoom):	Jerusalem

## MUSIC NOTES

### From the Music Department

On Easter Sunday, the Virtual Choir will sing *Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise* and you are invited to join in from your homes. The congregation joins in after a choral introduction. Keep your eye on me for the cue to jump in and sing with gusto! The music will be available at the bottom of the bulletin. You can hear the entire performance on YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EELA9dLlHFc>

The Bell Choir and Chancel Choir will continue to rehearse during April and May before taking a summer break. Please considering joining us for this final stretch of the choir season. For more information, contact me at [vramga@fairmontchurch.org](mailto:vramga@fairmontchurch.org).

## LENTEN SCHOOL

24 Hours that Changed the World:  
The Epilogue

*We will **finish** our online Lenten Study on Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (NO Connections on April 7<sup>th</sup>) with our final lesson on Resurrection. Watch for the Zoom link in Fairmont's Beside Still Waters email.*

## CONNECTIONS

“A Study of Six New Testament Women”

Join us on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. beginning April 21<sup>st</sup> via Zoom as we begin a new study of six New Testament women of faith, unnamed but not forgotten.

**April 21:** The Woman Who Anointed Jesus  
(Mark 14:3-9)

**April 28:** The Bent-Over Woman (Luke 13:10-17)

**May 5:** The Canaanite Woman (Matthew 15:21-28)

**May 12:** The Woman Who Touched Jesus' Cloak (Mark 5:25-34)

**May 19:** The Woman Caught in the Act of Adultery (John 7:53-8:11)

**May 26:** The Woman at the Well (John 4:1-30, 39-42)

The Zoom link can be found in Fairmont's weekly Beside Still Waters email or on the church website at [www.fairmontchurch.org](http://www.fairmontchurch.org).

## WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Fairmont's Session, Worship Team, and Staff are very happy to announce that we are in the process of planning our in-person worship services. We will use three phases to open in-person services. We will follow the rules and guidelines from Ohio's governor and our Fairmont medical advisors.

**Phase I:** We will begin in-person services April 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. The service will be a blending of the contemporary and traditional services. We will continue our very successful 10:30 a.m. streaming service (the Sanctuary will remain closed to the congregation). Face masks and social distancing will be followed. We will not have coffee time and we will not sing.

**Phase II:** Beginning May 16<sup>th</sup>, we will hold in-person services at 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall **AND** at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. We will also stream this service at 10:30 a.m. while people are in the Sanctuary. We will have large, flat screen monitors mounted in the Sanctuary to enrich your worship experience in the Sanctuary. The balcony and main floor will be open for seating. Face masks and social distancing will be followed. We will not have coffee time and we will not sing.

**Phase III** (this date will come from the governor) will be the elimination of face masks and social distancing. We will sing and will have coffee hour in Phase III.

The Session, Worship Team, and Fairmont Staff want the re-opening to be a happy, joyous time for everyone. If you have any suggestions, concerns, or questions, please call a Worship Team member:

Kimberly Gunlock 937-885-7080

Pete Shafer 937-689-0364

Cindy Youngerman, Chairman 937-433-2728

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday	
Resurrection Sunday	4	Easter Monday (Office Closed)	5	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh)	6	7:00pm: Choir Practice	
8:30am: Sunrise Service in the parking lot				12:00pm: AA (012)			
10:30am: Worship (stream starts at 10:15am)				7:00pm: Team Meetings (online)			
No Kidz Korner							
No PYC							
2nd Sunday of Easter	11	7:00pm: Connections/Lenten Study (online)	12	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh)	13	7:00pm: Connections/ (online)	
10:30am : Worship (stream starts at 10:15am)		7:00pm: Circle 1 (online)		12:00pm: AA (012)		7:00pm: Choir Practice	
11:45am: Kidz Korner (online)				7:00pm: Trustees, B&G, Finance (online)			
1:30pm: PYC							
12:00pm-1:00pm: Cookie Drive-By							
3rd Sunday of Easter	18		19	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh)	20	11:00am: Fairmont M (offsite)	
9:00am: In- Person Service in Fellowship Hall				12:00pm: AA (012)		5:30pm: Circle 6 (online)	
10:30am: Worship (stream starts at 10:15am)				7:00pm: Session (online)		7:00pm: Connections	
11:45am: Kidz Korner (online)						7:00pm: Choir Practice	
1:30pm: PYC (online)							
4th Sunday of Easter	25		26	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh)	27	7:00pm: Connections	
9:00am: In-Person Service in Fellowship Hall				12:00pm: AA (012)		7:00pm: Choir Practice	
10:30am: Worship (stream starts at 10:15am)							
11:45am: Kidz Korner (online)							
1:30pm: PYC (online)							

# April

Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
		Maundy Thursday	1	Good Friday	2	Holy Saturday	3
		No Bell Practice		11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh)		2:00pm: Holy Saturday Reading (online)	
		No Bible Study		No Theology on Tap			
		7:00pm: Maundy Thursday Service (online)		7:00pm: Good Friday Service (online)			
e (online)	7	6:30pm: Bell Choir Practice (fh)	8	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh)	9		
		7:30pm: Bible Study (online)		8:00pm: Women, Word, and Wine (online)			
Lenten Study	14	6:30pm: Bell Choir Practice (fh)	15	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh)	16	9:30am: Circle 7 (online)	17
e (online)		7:30pm: Bible Study (online)		5:00pm: Theology on Tap (online)			
en's Group	21	6:30pm: Bell Choir Practice (fh)	22	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh)	23		
(online)		7:30pm: Bible Study (online)		6:00pm: Fourth Family Pizza Dinner (online)			
(online)							
e (online)							
(online)	28	6:30pm: Bell Choir Practice (fh)	29	11:00am: Fit 4 You (fh)	30		
e (online)		7:30pm: Bible Study (online)					

## BUILDING AND GROUNDS

### CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS:

#### ELEVATOR REFURBISHING

Our elevator will be completely refurbished with all new mechanical, electrical, and hydraulic systems in April. We “anticipate” work will commence on or about April 12 and last about four weeks until around May 10. These dates are only approximate and depend on how the work proceeds. **During these weeks, the elevator will not be available for use.** This will be a comprehensive refurbishment of the elevator so that it will be available for years to come. Thank you for your patience.

## WOMEN OF FAIRMONT

*Martha's Marvelous Sweet Pickles* are available to purchase in the church office. The sale of these delicious pickles go towards our Women of Fairmont mission giving. The pickles sell for \$5/pint or \$9/quart. Thank you!

### SAVE-THE-DATE!!

Our Spring Gathering will be Saturday, May 15 at noon (12pm) via Zoom. Here's a teaser...our guest presenter is the sister of Kris Martin (Marcia Mac-Cagno Neel) and she will be sharing about the impact of music in our lives!! More details to follow!

Reminder...the Coordinating Team is NOT meeting in April. Watch your email for any announcements!!

### COOKIE DRIVE-BY

As you all know, the annual Cookie Walk held in December by the Women of Fairmont organization was not able to be held this past year, due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Cookie Walk is one of the Women of Fairmont's most profitable fund raisers, with proceeds used to support various charitable missions. With that in mind, a “modified Cookie Walk”, or Cookie Drive-By, will be held on Sunday, April 11 from 12:00-1:00 p.m. cont. →

Cookies will be homemade by Circle members and will be packaged in one or two pound boxes. You may order cookies by calling or texting Cindy Cavey at 937-245-1787 or emailing to [ccavey@roadrunner.com](mailto:ccavey@roadrunner.com), or you may place your order with Jennifer Mason at the church by calling 937-299-3539 or emailing [jmason@fairmontchurch.org](mailto:jmason@fairmontchurch.org).

Please indicate the number of pounds you would like to purchase at \$8.00/pound. Please place your order by Wednesday, April 7, to allow ample baking time.

We will meet you at your car in the church parking lot on April 11 between 12:00 and 1:00 p.m. with your cookies. Payment for cookies may be made by cash or check at the time of pick up. Please follow CDC guidelines by wearing a mask.

Please note, that the boxes will contain an assortment of homemade cookies, and we are not able to provide ingredients for allergy consideration.

If you would prefer to support the Cookie Drive-By by making a donation, those will be gratefully accepted by mailing them to the church office and referencing Women of Fairmont Cookie Drive-By.

## MISSION BEYOND THE CONGREGATION

### Helping Hands, Helping Hearts

#### Feeding our Community—2021

**A Time of Great Need Continues: Feeding Families, Children and Youth in our Community. Can you continue to help during this challenging time?**

We are still seeking financial donations for **The Dayton Foodbank** and **The Kettering Backpack**.

#### Dayton Foodbank (South Dayton Foodbank/FISH)

The Foodbank has served as the primary source of food for the hunger relief network in the Miami Valley. The Foodbank—the only one of its kind in the area—relieves hunger in the community through a network of partner agencies by acquiring and distributing food. The Foodbank provides the infrastructure for more than 100 member food pantries, community kitchens, and shelters that serve as the charitable hunger relief network in Montgomery, Greene, and Preble Counties, including the South Dayton Food Pantry/FISH which serves Fairmont's immediate area. cont. →



### Kettering Backpack Program

Due to COVID-19, the number of hungry students has risen greatly, causing the program's food costs to increase by 50%. For the first time, the program fed children during the summer because the need was so great. They've been distributing backpacks in many places to ensure that qualified at-risk students receive them: Kettering City Schools meal stop locations, vans and buses that distribute school lunches, and even pickup once per week as students come in for their school lunches. 100% of your gift will be used to purchase food to feed Kettering children in need. What a blessing to be able to help children in need!

### WITHIN OUR FELLOWSHIP

Dear Faithful Fairmont Friends -

Each of your cards and personal notes sent over the last months were the most healing medicine during my chemo journey. Thank you for your sincere words and prayers of encouragement. Each day the arrival of a card seemed to come just when I needed to hear a kind word to get me through a low patch. I felt the shared spirit or your love and the power of your prayers.

I have reached the final stage and am gratefully returning to something that feels more normal. All the wretched side effects are behind me and I am looking forward to eating, sleeping and just living again. I was so lucky that my fantastic daughter could stay with me throughout my treatment. My two sons were also part of the support team.

I send you all my heartfelt and grateful thanks.  
Lois Thomas

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Fairmont Men's Group

With a promising look for an opening of restaurants, I am scheduling a resuming of our men's group luncheons for Wednesday, April 21st, at MCL Cafeteria. It will be great to get together again and share stories of the Pandemic. We will meet at 11 am. Call the church office by Tuesday noon, April 20th, so we will know who to expect. MCL will space us accordingly. A notice will appear in the church bulletin and an email reminder to let you know of any changes in our plans.

#### Women, Word, and Wine

April 9, 2020 at 8:00 p.m. via Zoom. Pastor Kelley will lead a short time of spiritual direction, we will share  
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faith conversations together, and share a glass of wine. BYOW (bring your own wine) and join us as we share faith, hope, and love together in this time of social distancing. You can find the Zoom link in our weekly *Beside Still Waters* and *Fridays from Fairmont* emails or here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81389450071>  
Meeting ID: 813 8945 0071

#### Fourth Friday Family Pizza

It's time for our April Fourth Friday Pizza Dinner meeting on Zoom! Mark your calendar for Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Order pizza to be delivered to your home, make your own pizza, or pop a frozen pizza in the oven! However you get your pizza just be ready to go by 6:00 p.m. Watch for the Fourth Friday Pizza Dinner Zoom link in *Besides Still Waters* and *Fridays from Fairmont* emails or contact Pastor Kelley at [kshin@fairmontchurch.org](mailto:kshin@fairmontchurch.org).

#### "Expanded" Pastoral Care For Our Fairmont Family

Thank you to our Deacons and our Spiritual Caregivers who have been faithfully keeping in touch with our most vulnerable church members during this time of "stay at home." The Deacons have **expanded** their ministry to the entire congregation on a regular basis. Each family unit and member of Fairmont (and active non-members) have been assigned to a Fairmont Deacon. Your assigned Deacon will be in touch with you on a regular basis as we continue through these final pandemic months. *Special Fairmont members who have been receiving care from a Spiritual Caregiver will continue, as always, to receive that care.* Thank you also to our Email Prayer Chain members who are praying faithfully for our church family. If you know anyone in our congregation who is in need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Kelley at [kshin@fairmontchurch.org](mailto:kshin@fairmontchurch.org) or (937) 751-0752. We are keeping in touch with all of our church family in multiple ways - prayer, email, text, phone, mail, porch visits, drive-bys, Zoom, and live-streamed worship. Together we are the Body of Christ.

### PRESCHOOL CORNER

We are currently accepting registration for the 2021-2022 school year. Forms may be found under the Preschool tab on the church website. A non-refundable \$50 registration fee is due at the time of registration. Contact Tracy at 299-3539 or [tlandgren@fairmontchurch.org](mailto:tlandgren@fairmontchurch.org).



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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:** Vicki Ramga

**Organist:** Judy Bede

**Praise & Worship Leader:** Jerry Mahn

**Preschool Director:** Tracy Landgren

**Preschool Teacher:** Amber Reshad

**Preschool Aide:** Danielle Kern

**Administrative Assistant:** Jennifer Mason

**Bookkeeper:** Martha Keil

**Custodian:** Louis Weyrauch

### April Birthdays

Jaci Rose	04/01	Chris Shearer	04/21
Theodore Stewart	04/01	Quinn Barnett	04/24
Susan Stewart	04/03	Don Venable	04/24
Angela Bussey	04/04	Richard Cost	04/25
Karen Penny	04/04	Kevin Stewart	04/26
Lauren Bergstresser	04/08	Lilias Harper Adam	04/27
Sallie Luther	04/09	Max Schneider	04/27
Abby Whitesell	04/09	Jason Barnett	04/29
Joan Gray	04/10	Kate Barnett	04/29
Thomas Hohler	04/12	Krista Hysinger	04/29
Julie Wooley	04/12	Kelly Coan	04/30
Terry Akers	04/13	Kerri Miles	04/30
Jane Schwartz	04/13	Phyllis Dodson	04/30
William Stewart	04/15	Andrew Hohler	04/30
Janice Walters	04/16		



### DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT CALL

**The deadline for the next Call is Friday, April 23, 2021.**

Please submit articles to: [jmason@fairmontchurch.org](mailto:jmason@fairmontchurch.org).