

Tidings

January February & March

**Fairview
Presbyterian
Church**



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WORSHIP

SUNDAY 11:00am

OFFICE HOURS

9:00 - 1:00 Monday - Friday

BUILDING HOURS

7:30—7:30 Monday - Friday

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM

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Dear Fairview Friends and Family,

2023 is upon us and I am excited for the plans that are already in place. Last November, the Worship Team gathered on a Saturday afternoon to work with me on planning sermon

and worship series for the coming year. In the past, I had done this on my own but having the Team as part of it this year was great! Many thanks to Stephanie Bode, Cathy Mills, Steve Towne, and Kelsey Van Wyk!

We did a lot of creative brainstorming (see the whiteboard picture), and have some really great series in store for 2023. We will kick off the year with a series on Embracing Progressive Christianity, which will help us name what Progressive Christianity is (hint—it's much of what we do at Fairview already) and help us explain our particular of type of Christianity to those who may be curious.

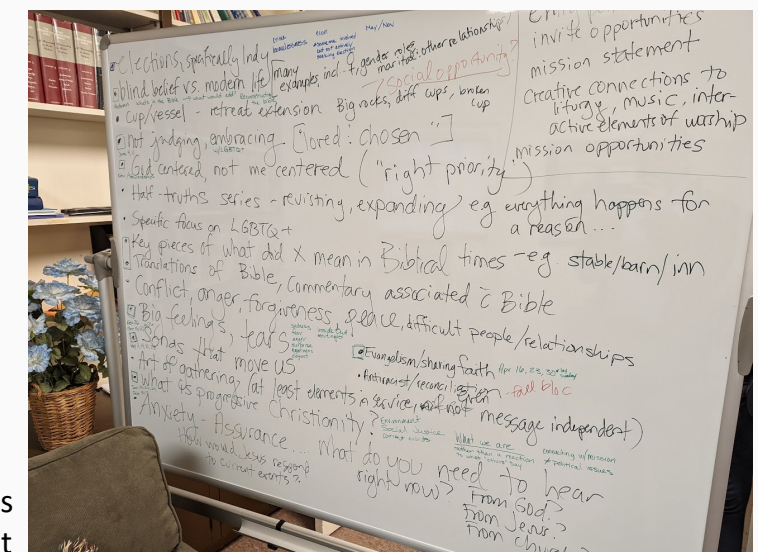
For Lent, we've got a series with the working title "Big Feelings" which will explore how God calls us to attend both to our outer life of relationships and actions, as well as our inner life of emotions and mental well-being.

After Easter, we move into a short series focusing on how we can share with others what faith means to us in a respectful and engaging way. And we follow that

with a series designed to make it easy for you to invite people to. The series is called Songs That Move Us, and each Sunday will feature a popular song from outside the church. Together, we will explore what meaning for our own lives and faith we can unpack from these songs.

The second half of the year will feature series on Embracing—Not Judging, Anti-Racism, Faith and Community Citizenship, and how we can better focus on the priorities in life that are most important to us. I hope you are as intrigued about these series as I am. I look forward to experiencing them with you!

Peace,
Shawn



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Check out The Chosen link under Study in Fairview's Paths of Discipleship



Take a few minutes to visit Study under Fairview Presbyterian's Paths of Discipleship to check out a new resource recently added at the very bottom under Additional Resources. Click on The Chosen link that takes you to a website where all the episodes of the first two seasons of "The Chosen" are posted. From there, you can watch The Chosen episodes (40-60 minutes per episode) – all for free – and all at your own time and pace. A link to Study Guides also is provided there to help you explore questions and reflections for Season 1 episodes. The Chosen is the first-ever multi-season free series about the life of Jesus that has been watched by millions of viewers worldwide. Acclaimed by many for helping to make Jesus, his disciples, and the times in which they lived more real, The Chosen can serve as a tool to help enhance or better understand the reading of the Bible. "We've been watching one episode of The Chosen at night right before dinner and that works for us," says Karen and Mike Stroup, Fairview family members. "We've been excited and touched by these episodes and like being able to see Jesus come to life in a way that we can easily relate to him and his disciples and other familiar names in the Bible." Karen recalls how her sister, Kathy, wouldn't let up, she wouldn't give up. She kept calling and calling and said with a sense of urgency that it would help, really help Mike and me to watch The Chosen, and she was right," says Karen. "My sister's persistent effort reminds me of the story Shawn preached recently of Phillip who made all the difference when he sat and explained the Book of Isaiah to an Ethiopian eunuch." Watching The Chosen doesn't replace study of the Bible. Instead, it is a contemporary resource that can inspire you to want to learn more and encourage Bible study as well as study of the other resources listed under Study under Fairview's Paths of Discipleship.

Karen Bruner Stroup



Embracing



Progressive Christianity

Faith that:

Cares About the Environment



Values Questions

Listens to Science



Includes

Honors Other Faiths

A New Worship and Sermon Series
January 15-February 12 @ 11am on Sundays
www.fairviewindy.org

Love Music....Join in the FUN!!!



Reasons to join the Fairview Choir:

- Improve your singing,
- Learn cool songs

Thursdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Reasons to join the Handbell Choir:

- Learn to read music
- Learn to play a unique and fun instrument

-Impress your friends

-Learn a new hobby / skill

Mondays @ 6:45 p.m. in the music room

Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, . . (Eph. 5:19)

Fairview Online and Onsite

Sunday Morning Worship @ 11

You may join us in person or you can use your phone, tablet or PC to visit the church's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/FairviewPres. If you need help connecting through Facebook please let us know!

Monday Evening Bell Choir Rehearsal @ 6:45 in the Choir Room (2nd level)

Newcomers welcome!

Pastor's Bible Study, Tuesdays @ 10

Join Pastor Shawn by Zoom to read, study, and discuss the coming Sunday's sermon passage. Learn more about the meaning and context of the scripture, and be part of a discussion about what the passage means for us today.

Evening Prayer, Wednesdays @ 7

The Fairview Prayer Group invites you to join them by Zoom for a brief time of sharing and praying for one another, our church, the community, and the world.

Thursday Morning Bible and Book Study @ 10:30

In room 1 (lower level) at Fairview.

Choir Rehearsal, Thursdays at 7:00 in the Sanctuary

All people and voices welcome!

Adult Study Group @ 9:45

Meets in room 11 on the main level. Each Sunday morning the group discusses matters of faith, often around a particular book.

Morning Prayer, Sundays @ 10:15

Join in prayer for the joys and concerns of our church, community and the world. They meet in the Meditation Room on the main level of the church, just past the church office.

During the week you may enter the building through the Capitol St. (ramp) entrance

Online groups can be joined at zoom.us/j/927468522

or by calling (312) 626-6799 and using Meeting ID 927 468 522.

Church Work Day



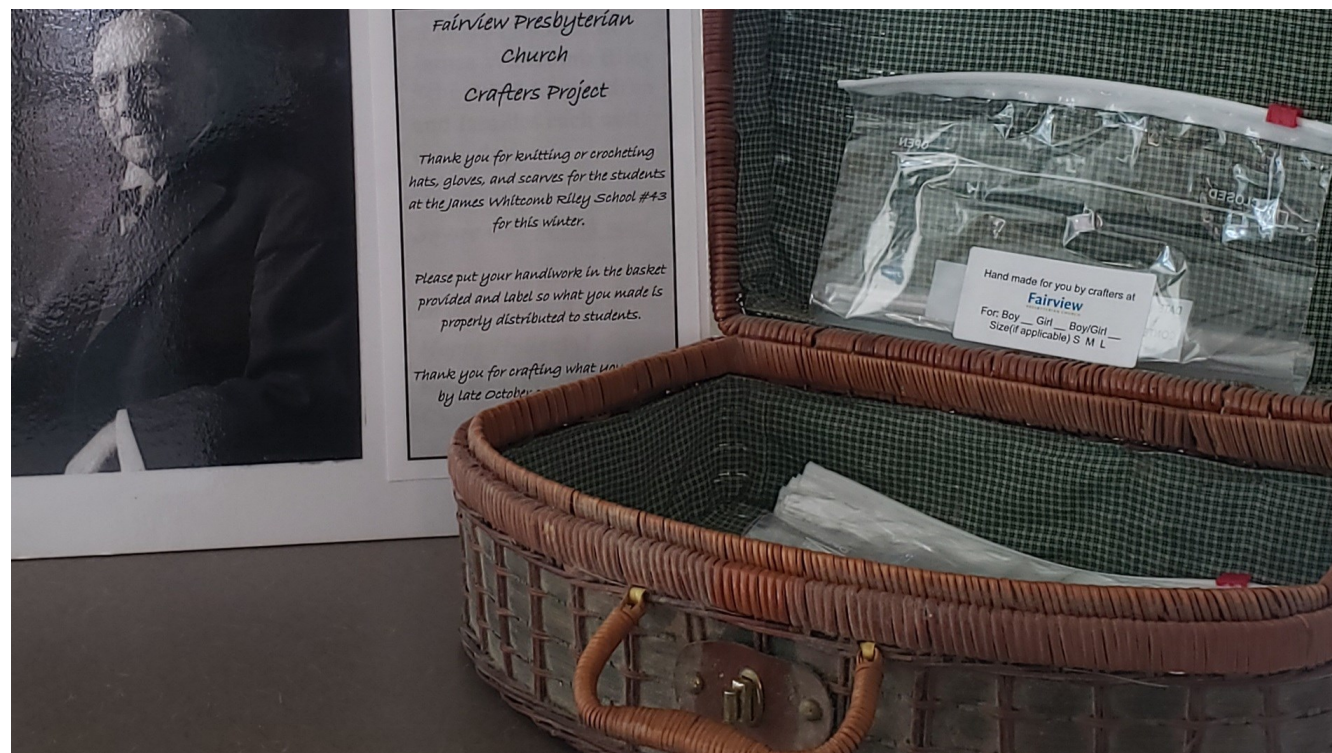
Fall Clean-up: A beautiful Day at Work in God's Creation

"A group of seven Fairview groundskeepers, that s, members, put in a great morning's work on Oct. 22 cleaning out the undergrowth and trimming trees in the parking lot. We completely filled the dumpster with piles that we had accumulated since May. We also did major trimming on the west side bushes and got a start on removing the invasive ivy bed. The weather and company were glorious, and Karen Stroup made sure that we were well fed with her fall treats. Many thanks to Charlotte, Carolyn, Rick, Stephanie, Jay, Pam and Randy (who worked on Friday on the north side of the church). See you all next time!" - - Robin Hess

Fairview Crafters Project for School #43: Helping Keep Kids Warm

Fairview Crafters were up to great good again this fall by creating hats and scarves for a second year for students at the James Whitcomb Riley School #43. The brainchild of Fairview member, Cathy Mills during her service on the Beyond the Walls Committee, the Fairview Crafters Project invites members of the Fairview family skilled in knitting or crocheting to contribute their time and talents to this project.

Fairview Crafters created a total of 13 scarves and 4 hats (1 large and 3 small) that were collected in the church narthex from mid-September to the first week of November. Fairview's Beyond the Walls team delivered the crafted products to School #43 on November 9 along with a note to Principal Lauren Johnson indicating the donations were from Fairview. The donation of crafted products was warmly received ("The kids will really like this").



Many thanks to all who contributed their time and talents to this project and to Larry Goens for his support to set up, monitor, and replenish the Crafters Project Box in the narthex with plastic bags for crafted products and to then promote the project to then promote the project to the Fairview family.

Sincerely,

Karen Bruner Stroup, Beyond the Wall Team Secretary 2022



JANUARY

Ben Coons
Chris Schlemmer
Bill Beranek
Judith LaFourest
Pam Marvel
Leah Bode

FEBRUARY

Ann Duffield
Linda Roberts
Gene Fitzgerald
Anne, Julia & Rosalind Beechler
Mary Patricia Warneke
Jane Merritt

Happy Anniversary

Samantha (Marvel) & CJ Jeffries

Remembrance

Jerry Walker 2016
Missy Baker VanderWaal 2020
Patty Wilkins 2020

March

Ellie Hertel
Catherine Wallace
Brandt Lawson
Terry Prather
Birti Coons
Juli Barnes Smith
Al Schimmelpfennig



ELDERS / SESSION / TEAMS

Charlotte Anokwa– *Congregational Care*
Rick Bogigian– *Beyond the Walls*
Robin Hess– *Session Clerk /
Buildings & Grounds
(Christian Development)*
Pam Marvel– *(Congregational Care)*
Cathy Mills– *Personnel*
Terry Prather– *Christian Development*
Kelsey Van Wyk– *Worship*
Jim Young– *Finanace*
Pastor Shawn Coons

Installation of new elders will be January 15

We welcome Jim Young, Steve Towne, &

Reba Curtis

with joy and gratitude.

Many thanks to

the outgoing elders for their service:

Rich Van Wyk & Tia Jah Wynne Ayers.

Fairview Early Childhood Program



ECP is having a fantastic school year. The classrooms are full and there has been a waiting list since August. There is a huge response already for openings next school year and a full house expected again for the 2023-2024 school year.

We are excited to announce that we have partnered with the Indiana Association for the Education of Young Children and are sponsoring one of our staff, Jasmyne Evans, to attend college to receive her Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education. She will be attending Ivy Tech beginning in January. The INAEYC pays 90% of Jasmyne's tuition. ECP will support her during her internships, and Jasmyne must commit to employment with ECP while getting her degree.

The Build, Learn, Grow, Grant has given ECP many great opportunities. ECP is able to improve the facility, add additional items to classrooms, and open their new Pre-k classroom which has been very beneficial to the families and the program financially.

A Caring Place

It's time to get a new calendar, but before we do that let's highlight some of the December Events at A Caring Place. On the 2nd we had our annual Christmas Tea with the Hibernians, these delightful ladies bring in some wonderful sandwiches, desserts, and tea for a festive lunch.

This month also brings our favorite Drum Circle Bongo Boys in so we can get our rhythm going. Steve Elston entertains with his music and wisecracks, and we look forward to a special musical concert by Wayne Lundberg. What a busy month.

- Lisa Sperry, Coordinator of Client Services (A Caring Place)

Remembering Leroy Edgar Burney

Leroy Edgar Burney, M.D., and his wife, Mildred, were members of Fairview Presbyterian Church from 1945 to 1955 until they moved to Washington, D.C. when Dr. Burney began his service in 1956 as the eighth Surgeon General of the U.S. Public Health Service with the rank of a full rear admiral during the administration of President Eisenhower. He was the nation's top doctor until 1961/ Dr. and Mrs. Burney remained devoted Hoosiers even after moving, referring to their house near Butler University campus as "home".

Dr. Burney was born December 31, 1906 at Burney, Indiana (Decatur County west of Greensburg). The town of Burney was founded by his great-grandfather from North Carolina. He began premed at Butler University (1924-26), and undergraduate (S.B., 1928) and medical training (M.D., 1930) at Indiana University's School of Medicine.

Dr. Burney was recognized as a preeminent Surgeon General (expertise in public health administration—front lines of public health) who modernized the Public Health service by promoting environmental public health, access to healthcare for the poor and access to treatment to African American (during a time of segregation).

In 1957 and again in 1959, Dr. Burney was the first Federal Official to publicly identify cigarette smoke as a cause of lung cancer, paving the way for successor, Surgeon General Luther L. Terry (known for speaking out on tobacco use and health).

Before his becoming Surgeon General, Dr. Burney served as both state Health Commissioner and Secretary of Indiana's new State Board of Health and associate professor for the Indiana University School of Medicine from 1945-54. Dr. Burney excelled in delivering public health programs and communicating their importance to politicians, practitioners, the public, and

press. Maurice Early, *Indianapolis Star*, supported Burney through his column, *This Day in Indiana*. Dr. Burney tackled issues on chronic diseases of aging, pasteurization of milk, dental health, water pollution, venereal diseases, fluoridation of water, licensing of hospitals, and immunization for poliomyelitis. He directed the Salk polio vaccine trials and completed the first systematic survey of the state's nursing homes.

When Surgeon General Scheele (1934-56) stepped down, Dr. Burney was sworn in as Surgeon General on August 8, 1956 (recess appointed by Pres. Eisenhower and later Senate confirmed in Jan. 1957). His first challenge was an epidemic influenza coming from



China and the need for a vaccine and quickly. He called several pharmaceutical companies, including Eli Lilly, asking for a vaccine to be made. Dr. Burney remembered "I know I did it in less than an hour's time." In less than six months after receiving notice of the looming pandemic, a vaccine was being administered in the U.S. before the outbreak reached the nation.

Surgeon General Burney promoted reforms to improve access of the elderly to care and supported research into chronic diseases.

His involvement in formation of the Kerr-Mills Act of 1960, provided government financing of health services to the elderly, paved the way for Medicare and Medicaid programs of the mid-1960s that transformed national policy.

After retiring from Public Health Service, Dr. Burney served as Vice Pres. For Health Sciences at Temple Univ. and on the Board of the Milbank Memorial Fund until 1990. Dr. Burney died July 31, 1998, in Park Ridge, IL.

Karen Bruner Stroup

Fairview and the Community

Fairview Contributes fresh produce and groceries to Boulevard Place Food Pantry

Robin Hess recently reported that she had donated 1,441 pounds of garden produce from her garden to Boulevard Place this gardening season. Carolyn Bogigian used the Thrivent gift card for \$250 she applied for from Thrivent to support the purchase of 336.6 pounds of food and 10.2 pounds of produce for Boulevard Place Food Pantry at the end of September 2022. And Jim Runnels reported that Fairview donated 325 pounds of groceries to Boulevard Place from January through October 2022. Take a bow, Fairview Presbyterian Church! Lots of people who go to the Boulevard Place Food Pantry have benefited directly this year from your generosity to be able to enjoy fresh produce and food on the table.

Fairview Team serves dinner at Wheeler Mission Center for Women and Children

The Fairview Team of five volunteers served dinner at the Wheeler Mission for Women and Children (3208 E Michigan St) on Saturday, November 12 from 4:15-5:45. The team, once again led by Lauren Christopher, also included Rik and Carolyn Bogigian, Reba Curtis, and Robin Hess. Many thanks to the November 12 Fairview Team for your time and good hearts for volunteering and for helping to serve dinner.

Fairview's long commitment to the Wheeler Mission dates back to 1924, when Fairview Presbyterian Church began.

The Beyond The Walls Team made a donation of \$2,500 from Fairview to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Indianapolis this year. Below is a thank you and some information provided by Stephen Craig, Director of Corporate Engagement from an email sent Friday, September 30, 2022

Here is a little snapshot of the 2022 Build on Faith so far:

20 days of volunteering

217 volunteers scheduled

\$129,500 of the \$145,000 needed raised

A VERY happy Polk Family!

***Overall**, with only **THREE** months remaining in the year, Greater Indy Habitat is on track to help 24 families improve their living conditions. Habitat works together with families, local communities, volunteers, and partners throughout Greater Indianapolis so that more people can live in affordable and safe homes. Our advocacy efforts focus on policy reform to remove systemic barriers preventing low-income and historically underserved families from accessing adequate, affordable shelter.*

***AGAIN**, thank-you for partnering with Habitat this year! We will keep you all informed of when we will have a home blessing with the Polk Family. We would **LOVE** for each one of you to join us!*

*With much thanks,
Stephen*

YOUR LETTERS MADE A DIFFERENCE FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE AROUND THE



Thanks to those who participated in our annual Bread for the World Offering of Letters. In 2022, the Fairview family sent 37 Bread for the World letters to our members of Congress. Fairview Presbyterian Church joined over 40 other Indiana congregations in sending at least 3,254 letters to our members of Congress. They responded by passing the Global Malnutrition and Prevention Act with unanimous support from our Indiana senators and representatives. For more information, go to bread.org.

At least 44 Indiana congregations and other groups sent at least 3254 letters and confirmed emails to their members of Congress in support of global hunger programs. **This is twice the number of letters generated in 2021.** As many of you know, Congress responded by passing the Global Malnutrition and Prevention Act with unanimous support from our Indiana senators and representatives. President Biden signed the bill on October 19th. More information is at <https://www.bread.org/article/bread-celebrates-passage-of-bipartisan-global-malnutrition-bill/>

In 2023, the focus of the Bread for the World campaign will be on the U.S. Farm Bill.

