



The FAIRView

Connecting People to People, and People to Christ

May 20, 2018

Friends,

I hope that our stewardship series on faith, vision, and dreams has helped us to see how the foundations we lay in regular and faithful stewardship enable us to be open to God's desires for our future. While we have many good things ahead of us, this Sunday marks our annual practice of making pledges for the coming financial year. Although I am still pretty new here, from all accounts we are a generous and consistent congregation and I know that God will work through us to make many things possible.

This Sunday is also Pentecost Sunday, when the Holy Spirit came to followers of Jesus and enabled them to speak and do amazing things in His name. It is the birthday of the church, and we will hear the Pentecost passage from Acts 2 and a portion of the sermon that Peter preached as the people were trying to figure out what was going on. In that sermon, Peter talked about the visions and dreams that characterize the church.

So, as we approach this Sunday, please prayerfully consider how God is calling you to give to His work through Fairview and our many ministries and missions. Also consider how He is using those gifts to make even more of His work possible. If you are prepared to pledge on Sunday, then pledge cards will be available. If you need more time, then remember that the more pledges we receive in the coming weeks, the more confident the Finance Committee and Session can be in preparing our 2018-19 budget.

I am already very grateful for your generosity and faithful stewardship, and I look forward to working and planning with you more as time goes by. Have a good weekend, and I will see you on Sunday!

In Christ,

Allen





Wear RED this Sunday for Pentecost!

Pentecost is a time of red, a color of fire and zeal and passion and heat. Pentecost is a time for vigor, excitement, energy, movement, birth, fresh air, and fresh commitment. The Spirit becomes inflamed within us. Wear red!

FAIRVIEW is preparing and serving at GAP MINISTRIES this Sunday, May 20. Wonderful Praise & Worship music begins at 6:00 with Flo Carter. Food & Fellowship at 7:00. It's an excellent opportunity to share the love of Jesus and a meal with those in need of encouragement. Hope to see you there!! Contact Ann Jackson to join a Serving Team or to learn more about GAP Ministries. jayannjackson@aol.com (706) 339-0072

The WenZday KidZ will be providing "Dinner music" for the parents and friends on **Wednesday, May 23** from 6:15-6:30 pm. All are invited to eat Wednesday Night Supper and to be entertained by the KidZ who will be singing a few of their favorite songs before the Wednesday night activities and Adult Bible Study class.

We had a great turnout at The Masters Table on Tuesday. God bless our volunteers for their time and fellowship: Paul Mancini, Wyatt and Suzanne Friend, Salli Cupstid, Terri Bartels and Joan Guanloa. Tuesday, June 20 is our next Soup Kitchen. Planning ahead, please call or email Sarah Lawson to RSVP since summer plans are being made. 706/833-4888 or sjl33lawson@comcast.net

Calvin's Cove is RESERVED May 19
The site is CLOSED to members on this day

Flower Calendar Vacancies:
May 27, June 3, 24
Call 279-6441 if you would like to provide flowers for our worship services.



**FAIRVIEW MEN'S MINISTRY
KICK OFF MEETING
Bee's Knees, downtown Augusta
May 31 at 6:30 pm
Special Guest Speaker!!!**

Happy 4th of July!
Annual BBQ, Saturday,
July 7, 12:00 pm
Calvin's Cove at Thurmond Lake
BBQ, hash, rice provided.
 Bring a side dish or dessert to share and beverages.
 Cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family.
 Join in the fun and camp out the night before.
 Let's see who will create tackiest,
 wackiest, craziest, most fun campsite!

Notes on Session Activities

The Session last met on 16 April 2018. It will meet next 21 May 2018.

At the Stated meeting Session:

1. Met with the 2018 Communicants Class and with the class members' families. Session heard the testimony of faith from each Communicant. The Session acted to approve all in the class to become active partners in our church. Those affirmed were: Ian Ross Douglas, Juliana Carol Guest, McKenzie Rose Guest, Amanda Blair Morrison, and Evan Thomas Waldhauer.
2. The Consent Calendar was approved as in the docket. (March Stated minutes)
3. Clerk reported on five communications that were related to: Request for grant for Mr. Chiba from Lilly Foundation for a planned sabbatical prior to starting his study toward a doctoral degree, a resignation from Deacon Elizabeth Wilson to attend college, an adjustment in the membership rolls, to record the death of Marie Taylor Tomlinson, and the report to Session from the Commissioners to Presbytery. Session received all as information and entered into record.
4. Session heard:
 - a. Of the plans for curriculum through May for Wednesday Evening classes led by Mr. Thompson.
 - b. That finances are in stable condition and that preparation of the 2018-19 budget is on schedule.
 - c. Of plans for the annual Stewardship program.
5. Session acted to approve a first reading of two sections of the revised Operating Manual made necessary by the changes in governmental structure late last year.
6. Heard a report regarding upgrading the audio system in the Sanctuary.
7. Heard a report regarding security measures needed for the campus during worship services.
8. Received a report from the Officer Nominating Committee.
9. Approved a change in Prayer Team training curriculum to one published by Presbyterian Reformed Ministries International, a partner with ECO.

A reminder from the Clerk: Communion will be celebrated on Sunday 27 May.

JF Johnston, Clerk

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Children's Church: Margaret and John Shearouse

Counters: Leary Bartels, Brooks Watson

Hospital Visitation: William Salters, Jay Jackson

Mary's Helpers: Suzanne Friend, Mary Ann Culp

MW Coffee: Kevin Toole

Nursery: Juliana Guest

SS Coffee: Gary Clark, Duane and Holly Perry

Ushers: Jim Mullner, Bob Willis, Carl Rapp, Paul Gesche, Bob Clark

Wednesday Supper Team: Martha and Chip McClard, Jean Clegg, Janet Waters, Martha Ponder, Kate Jacobsen, Carolyn Wiggins, Coyle Harmon, David DeLong

Welcoming Team 9 am: Sarah Lawson, Ann and Jay Jackson, Norman Guest, Stephanie Guest, Claudia Thompson

Welcoming Team 11 am: Alice Hester, Shawn Kendinger, Tina Melton, Vicki Tilby

PRAYER REQUESTS

University: Marilyn Horen

Foothills, Easley: Mary Frances Lown

Benton House: Louise Beck

Brandon Wilde: Mildred Beams

Brookdale: Marguerite Fogleman, Edith Carlson

Marshal Pines: Walt Marter

NHC: Barbara Dennis, Frances Baldwin

Ongoing Concerns: Verlon McDowell, Nancy Duncan, Lilly Enter, Janet/Don Geckeler, Ray/Georganne Browder, Wayland Wilcox, Rod/Annalee Scherr, Bill/Ann Campbell, Nick Gavalas, Bob Folger, Laura Purtz, Marian Royster, Matt Royster, Will Royster, Leon Sherman, Skip Jones

Friends and Family: John Hobert (Pat Johnson's son, Air Force, Kuwait), Nancy Spears (Suzanne Shimp's cousin), Lorelei Hinsvark (Charisse Chiba's sister), Phyllis Dotterer, Lou Ellington (Marian Royster's mom), Lucas Oliver (Guy and Sara Oliver's grandson), Mable Payne (Christina Payne's mother), Braden Boozer (Sarah Lawson's nephew), Margaret Houser (Nancy Duncan's mother), Avery Moore (Kirby Ashe's granddaughter)

IN MEMORIAM

James B. Baggott

May 16, 2018

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life...."

CALENDAR

Friday, May 18

10:30 am Bible Study

Sunday, May 20

9:00 am Morning Watch

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Traditional Worship

6:00 pm GAP on Greene

6:30 pm Flourishing Church Training

Monday, May 21

7:00 pm Session Meeting

Tuesday, May 22

7:00 pm NAHS Choral Program

Wednesday, May 23

6:00 pm Supper – BBQ Meatballs, yellow rice, veg., salad, bread, dessert

6:30 pm ESL Class

6:30 pm WenZday KidZ

Youth Study

Adult Program

7:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, May 24

6:30 pm Debate Club Showcase

Friday, May 25

10:30 am Bible Study

Thinking about serving? Volunteer in the Church Office!

Available timeslots:

Tuesday afternoons - 2 – 4:30 pm

Thursday mornings - 9 am – 12 pm

Call 279-6441 to sign up!

*Thank you Dottie Biggs for joining
the team on Wednesday mornings!*

BEDS/MATTRESSES NEEDED

at North Augusta Gardens.

twin, double, queen, or bunkbeds

Contact Lyn Fleming at 279-5001 to donate.



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