

# We are glad you are here today!

Fairview Road is a church family that loves God, loves each other, loves our neighbors, and loves people who need Jesus! We gather for worship to honor God, to encourage one another, and to encounter His holy presence together!

If you are a guest today, thanks for being here. We look forward to getting to know you!

## Worship

Song LeaderDavid ParkerOpening PrayerCobie CooperScripture ReadingJacie GrimsleyCommunion MeditationKevin Everett

Gluten free communion is available.

Sermon Andrew Lough

"Called to Follow"

Matthew 19:16-21

Pastoral Prayer David Parker

Assistive listening devices are available from the sound room operator. Sermons are available on CD, the church web site, and the FvR app.

#### **Our Elders**

Glenn Berkey, Ed Hall, David Parker, Jim Provence

#### **Our Ministers**

Andrew Lough, Brian Hajicek, Jamey Grimsley

#### PRAYER TEAM



The Prayer Team meets on Sunday mornings from 8:30 - 8:55 a.m. in W2. New members are welcome. Please see Ann Forsee, Teresa Klepac, or Jim Provence for more information. Prayer requests may be left in the decorative wood box on the south

credenza at the back of the Auditorium. To forward a request during the week or have a prayer request appear in the bulletin, please contact the office.

#### **NEWS TO KNOW**



# WHAT DO THE PRISONERS DO WITH THE NEEDLEWORK SUPPLIES WE DONATE?

Thank you, Fairview Road! We are off to a great start with our Have a Heart collection of supplies for the veterans' needlework class at Moberly Correctional Center. Some examples of what the veterans do with these supplies are shown above. Because the program relies entirely on donated supplies, your contributions make a world of difference.

Here are the items they need to continue making and sharing these delightfully crafted items with women, children, veterans, and others who need them - especially the homeless:

All plastic crochet hooks - all sizes

All-plastic crochet needles, smaller eyes preferable

All-plastic yarn needles

Plastic stitch markers

Plastic looms and loom hooks

Yarn - preferred weight of 4-5. A large skein will make four hats. Baby blankets take 2-3 skeins. Soft yarn is ideal. Any yarn is welcomed.

Fiber fill

Hat and baby blanket patterns

Please place donations in the foyer collection box between now and February 18. Thanks, again, to the children in our elementary class for doing such a great job decorating it!

# THANK YOU FROM GLENNA (Daughter of Dolores West Hanna)

Dear Fairview Church of Christ:

Thank you for the beautiful flowers in honor of my Mom. The congregation meant the world to my Mom and Dad and then Mom and Paul. I have thoroughly enjoyed them. They are beautiful and brighten these sad days. Love, Glenna Fulks







#### RIPPLE KID'S MINISTRY

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.

#### THE WELL STUDENT MINISTRY

#### Sunday

Devo - 9 a.m.

SNL - 5-7 p.m. Student Led & Service Project At the Church

#### Wednesday

Mid-Week @ the Well Dice Throne "Best Year Ever" 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Contacts for the Kids' and Student Ministries: Jamey or Jacie Grimsley



#### ADULT/COLLEGE CLASSES

Sunday

Built to Know Christ (W2) ......9 a.m. Ladies Bible Class (W7) .......9 a.m.

 $\label{eq:wednesday} \mbox{New Testament Letters (W2).. 7 p.m.}$ 



#### **MORE FAIRVIEW EVENTS**

Ashland Villa Singing-6 pm2/4
FvR Food Pantry2/10
Bluegrass Terrace Singing 2/18
COMO Christian Men's Conf 3/9
ForColumbia



#### Cap Haitien Children's Home-Haiti David and Sarah Dirrim

#### Mision Para Cristo

http://www.misionparacristo.com

#### **Zambia Missions**

www.zambiamission.org

Sam & Nancy Shewmaker-Africa





Thanks for supporting our FvR Food Pantry since November 2009.

The next Food Pantry is this Saturday, February 10.

Needs this week:

# Household Cleaners, Dish Soap & Miscellaneous

#### Plastic shopping bags

"Miscellaneous" is any non-perishable food item; also household cleaners, personal care items, and paper goods. Our shoppers love our variety! Place donations in the labeled Food Pantry barrels in the main and Fellowship Hall fovers

Contacts/Coordinators: Britt Newby & Kim Salmons



Sign up to provide food for homeless men at St. Francis House the 1st or

4th Sundays monthly. The sign up sheet is on the west foyer bulletin board.

Contacts: Barbara Miller (Coordinator) or Vicki (to sign up)

## February 4

Meat: Barbara Miller (2) Vegetable: Vicki Ratliff; need one

#### February 25

Meat: Need two volunteers **Vegetable:** Need two volunteers

### SHEPHERD'S CORNER

# The Artistry of God



Have your seen the headlines this week? "Cop fires shot over teens on lawn." "Woman stabbed five times while working in GM Plant." "Jewish cemetery vandalized; headstones damaged." "Floods push 14,000 people out of their homes." The world is seemingly in chaos. We don't

understand the rhyme or reason of events.

The same can be true for the headlines of our lives: "Worker of 25 years loses job, bankruptcy looming." "Best friend dies unexpectedly, age 38." "House fire destroys more than just memories." "Spouse abusive: Living in fear." We don't always know why things happen, and often we question where God is and why He has allowed this hurt or turmoil in our journey. Often our perspective of the situation inhibits our understanding: our nerves are frayed; our path is full of unexpected twists and turns; a relationship is in turmoil; our finances are in disarray; the sudden death of a loved one makes no sense. But maybe we're looking at it wrong.

Think of our lives as a tapestry. From the backside, it is seemingly a mess of thread that is jumbled, twisted, knotted, and frayed; a disarray of colors that superficially are random and make no sense. But if we look at it from the other side, it is a beautiful, intricate, colorful creation that has been woven together to tell a story. It's the front side of the tapestry that our Creator sees as He is weaving our life story.

We have many examples in the Bible of lives that took unexpected turns, but through perseverance and trust in God were woven together into a beautiful picture of God's plan for His people. Abraham being told to sacrifice his son but blessed for his faith; Joseph sold into slavery to preserve his people; Naomi's faithfulness despite losing her husband and sons and being alone and hungry; Ruth an enemy of the Jews being woven into the lineage of Christ; Esther risking her life to save her people. These are the stories we can draw on to encourage us, motivate us, inspire us to persevere, and to know that just as God wove a beautiful tapestry for his people, He is still at work in our lives ... building us, growing us, nurturing us ... to be used for his eternal purpose. Ask God to show you a glimpse of the tapestry He's weaving for you, then trust and persevere.

For the elders, David



#### HEARTFELT DELIVERY

Beth Prentzler, Chief of Mental Health Services at Moberly Correctional Center, delivers items made by veterans in the needlework class to Rainbow House in Columbia. She also provided items to Harbor House (Salvation Army housing for the homeless individuals and families). Inside this bulletin, check out how you can donate materials to the class to make it possible for the veterans to continue to provide such items.

#### **FACEBOOK GROUP**



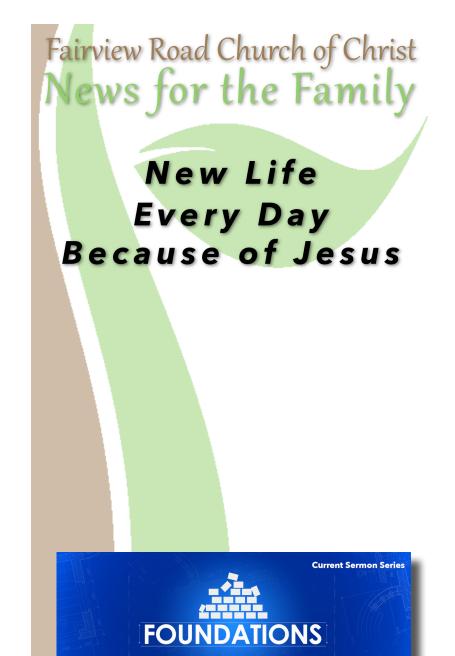
Be part of the FvR Family Facebook group - a private space to share, encourage, post prayer requests, comment and respond, etc. Search for "Fairview Road Church Family" and select "Request to Join."



Thank you so much for your generous financial support. Give in the auditorium, by mail, on-line with our FvR App, or on our web site.

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If any is in Christ, the old has gone. The New Is here!