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Spring at Fairview

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Once in a ... red moon?

When something happens rarely, we sometimes say it happens, “once in a blue moon.” A blue moon isn’t really blue. The name comes from a 16th century expression “the moon is blue,” which meant that something was impossible. “Once in a blue moon,” means that something is a rare exception. In this case, a blue moon is what they call a second full moon in one calendar month. Blue moons happen only about every two or three years. The next one happens May 31, 2026. But what about a red one?

Recently, I read an article about red moons, what some call “blood moons.” This year, on March 13-14th the moon will turn red overnight during a total eclipse. When the moon passes through the Earth’s shadow it takes on a reddish color. This happens a little more frequently than blue moons, occurring on average about twice a year, though there can be as few as one and as many as five. Not that uncommon at all.

When it comes to uncommon occurrences, Jesus’ crucifixion is so rare that it happened only once. It’s not an event that we could ever hope to see repeated because repetition is unnecessary. The apostle Paul said that when Jesus died in our place for our sins it happened “once for all” (Romans 6:10). Jesus’ death defeated sin and death. The resurrection proves the victory and affirms His divinity. It affirms the promise that death is not the end of our story.

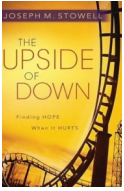
Each Easter we celebrate an event that is so rare it is completely unique. The crucifixion of the Son of God and His resurrection will never happen again. They don’t need to; Jesus’ work is complete. The salvation they brought happens whenever anyone receives Jesus as Lord and Savior. Salvation comes to anyone who asks. Look to the heavens but not to the moon and stars for answers. Look to the Son of God who died for you, and everyone, once for all for the redemption of humanity.

⁸ Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. (Romans 6:8-10 NIV)

Library News—Book Highlights

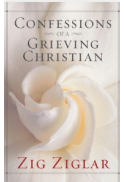
Come check out a book at the Library! There's no better time to snuggle up and read!
We again thank those who have donated books this quarter.

Happy reading, *Sue and Colleen*



THE UPSIDE OF DOWN – Finding Hope when it Hurts by Joseph M Stowell

Have you ever found yourself caught on a roller coaster ride that you weren't standing in line for? Trouble comes to us all; whether it be a death of a loved one, an illness, loss of a job, a break-up of a marriage, etc. This book is about Hope in God, who works all things toward that which is good and who never wastes our sorrows.



CONFESSIONS OF A GRIEVING CHRISTIAN – by Zig Ziglar

In this comforting book the author uses his experience of losing his oldest daughter to encourage you to deal with the reality of loss and learn to take up the threads of life again as you feel consolation and inspiration in the Giver of Peace. There is still something left for us to do. There are miracles everywhere, even death.



THE COOPER KIDS ADVENTURE SERIES – by Frank Peretti

These four books are filled with adventure, mystery, sudden danger and struggles between good and evil.

- Bk#1 The Door in the Dragon's Throat
- Bk#2 Escape from the Island of Aquariums
- Bk#3 The Tombs of Anak
- Bk#4 Trapped at the Bottom of the Sea

Global Workers Update—Jesse Rivers, Abogar Ministry

Abogar is excited about this year's theme... Constantly Captivated... and we are faith filled for what God will be doing in and through Abogar in 2025! In March I will partner with another ministry to take a week trip to Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico to work and minister at a children's home there! I'm also planning to visit Ensenada and connect with some ministries there after the other team returns to the US. Abogar is moving into a partnership with Ninos de Baja Children's Home.

In July (date to be coming hopefully soon) Abogar will be hosted by Apple Valley Creamery for our annual Abogar 1:27 Run (5k event). We are excited to continue with this fun activity and fundraiser!

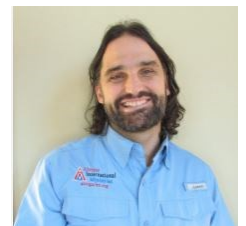
I will be looking to observe and participate in a camp in Mexico at some point this year as well, as we sense that camp is a wonderful way to reach and impact the lives of the children for God's glory, as well as a way to start connections/ relationships with their families as well!

In December I will be taking a small team with me down to Ensenada, to partner with a children's home there (as we just did this past December) to distribute more than 1,500 shoeboxes/bags of blessings for children in the valley there!

Also in February I've begun a transition to having a second and part-time job, as associate pastor at my church. I'm very excited to help our church grow and flourish.

Please continue to pray for me, my wife, and my son, as we have lots to take care of, and are seeking God's provision, blessing, and guidance in all things! Thank you all for your continued prayers and support for Abogar International Ministries, as well as for me and my family! God bless you all richly!

Serving Jesus by loving others! Loving Jesus by serving others!



Holy Week Schedule at Fairview Ave Church



Palm Sunday

Baptism Sunday April 13th starting at 10:30 a.m.

Bring a Lunch to Church, following Worship service at Fellowship Hall.

Maundy Thursday

April 17th starting at 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall.

Beginning with a traditional BIC meal of soup, bread, and desserts!
Followed by a service of communion, music, scripture, and foot washing.

Good Friday Tenebrae Service

April 18th starting at 7 p.m., Sanctuary. A contemplative time to remember the death of our Lord.

Easter Sunday—April 20th

Easter SonRise Service

Starting at 7:15 a.m. at the Church pavilion.

Easter Breakfast

Join us for breakfast immediately after SonRise service—Fellowship Hall.

Bible for Life

Adult, Teens & Kids classes starting at 9 a.m.

Easter Service

A Resurrection Celebration starting at 10:30 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt

Following Worship service, at the pavilion (For kids thru Grade 5/ Age 10)

Spring Events at FABIC



Ministry Fair Find Your Perfect Fit

Sun., April 6 | Following Service | Light refreshments will be provided

Pack a Lunch Sunday | Mar. 30 | Following Service | Fellowship Hall

Whenever a month comes along that has a 5th Sunday, pack a lunch and bring it to church. After service, join us in Fellowship Hall, for a fun time of fellowship.



FABIC Town Hall Meeting | Sun., May 4 | Following Service

Bring a bag lunch for a time to share vision, answer questions, and inspire one another.

Ladies Tea | Sat., May 17 | 11 am

Tickets will be \$5 per person to help cover the costs and will be available sometime in March. There will be more information as we get closer to the date.



Check out our weekly email or visit our Facebook page for more info on upcoming events for the spring season.

Birthdays & Anniversaries



- March 4 Christy Bowders
- March 5 Wanda Stahley
- March 6 Gage Wease
- March 7 Gabriel Bowders
- March 8 Sunny Warford
- March 14 Abby Park (Long)
- March 14 DaShawn Bernier
- March 20 Andrea Bailes
- March 24 Mattie Warner

Happy Anniversary!

Gary & Gretchen Wease March 10, 1996



- April 6 Rick Ray
- April 9 Ashlynn Anderson
- April 16 Joanne Tau
- April 19 *Merly Bundy
- April 27 Teresa Kalmey
- April 28 Ron DeLauter



Happy Anniversary!

Mark & Julie Taylor April 1, 1995
Matt & Teresa Kalmey April 17, 1998



- May 4 Patti Walton
- May 5 Sharon Thienes
- May 16 Angie Standridge
- May 21 Robert Thienes
- May 24 Nicholas Smith
- May 26 Skyler Baker
- May 28 Kathy Long

Happy Anniversary!

Jr & Christy Bowders May 3, 2003
John & Bonnie Walker May 5, 1984
Tony & Melody Cadiz May 6, 1972
Russ & Capulet Williams May 18, 2002
*Bruce & Merly Bundy May 30, 1987



If you have a birthday in the spring months and it was not featured here, please email the office.

2025 Spring Calendar

<i>The Tide's Your Soles-Their Souls Shoe Drive</i>	<i>due Mar 30</i>
<i>5th Sunday Pack a Lunch</i>	<i>March 30</i>
<i>Ministry Fair</i>	<i>April 6</i>
<i>Palm Sunday</i>	<i>April 13</i>
<i>Maundy Thursday</i>	<i>April 17, 6:30 pm</i>
<i>Good Friday Tenebrae Service</i>	<i>April 18, 7 pm</i>
<i>Easter SONRise Service</i>	<i>April 20, 7:15 am</i>
<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>following Sonrise service</i>
<i>Egg Hunt</i>	<i>following Worship Service</i>
<i>Town Hall</i>	<i>May 4</i>
<i>Ladies' Tea</i>	<i>May 17, 11am</i>

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Upcoming Events / Ministry Partners

MCC MEAT CANNING

Tues, March 4 (Brethren in Christ Day)

At: Cumberland Valley Relief Center
4225 Molly Pitcher Highway South
Chambersburg, PA

Sign up for one or more time slots, come for a half day or all day. We need 10 people for canning and 12 for labeling.

Building a More Beautiful Marriage Seminar

Air Hill BIC Church is hosting a marriage seminar presented by: Sarah Schweisthal & Dr. Robb Palmer

041 Cumberland Hwy. Chambersburg, PA
717-267-3373

Friday, March 7-- 6:30 – 9 pm

Saturday, March 8—9 to 12 pm

Cost: \$50/couple \$25/single

You may register online at www.airhillchurch.org

Hope for Parents of Prodigals

Presented by Pastor Jill Thompson, M.Ed.
Grand Point Church

2230 Grand Point Rd Chambersburg, PA
Wednesdays, March 12 – April 30 6:30-8 pm
Door 8, Room D13

Roxbury Holiness Camp Men's Breakfast

March 15 at 8 am. \$5 at the door.



Celebrate Recovery®

Wednesdays 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
A Christ-Centered Recovery Program

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered 12-step recovery community. It helps you celebrate freedom from all types of hurts, habits, and hang-ups including addiction. For more info call the church or email Pastor John at pastorjohn@fabicchurch.org



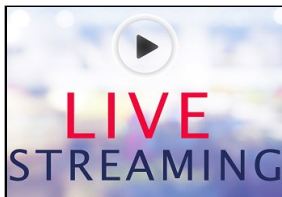
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Live Streaming of our Worship
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10:25 a.m., at
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Fairview Avenue Church Weekly Schedule

Our building is handicap accessible



Sunday mornings

Prayer Time 8:30—9:00 a.m.

Bible for Life Classes for ages 4– Adult
9:00-10:00 a.m.

Fellowship Time 10:00-10:25 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Wednesdays

Celebrate Recovery 6:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Thursdays

Morning Prayer 8:30-9:30 a.m. in the lobby

After School Kids Fun Club 3:30—4:45 p.m. 2nd Thu/mo
thru April. Every Thu. in May— Church Pavilion

The Source Youth Group for grades 6—12
6:30-8:30 p.m. Youth Center

Final Friday Fun Night— last Friday/month 6-9 p.m.

Small Groups

Agape meets on 2nd & 4th Sunday, Lobby. A time of
friendship, prayer & food.

Sunday Evening Small Group, meets every
Sunday at 6:30 p.m., at the church. All invited!

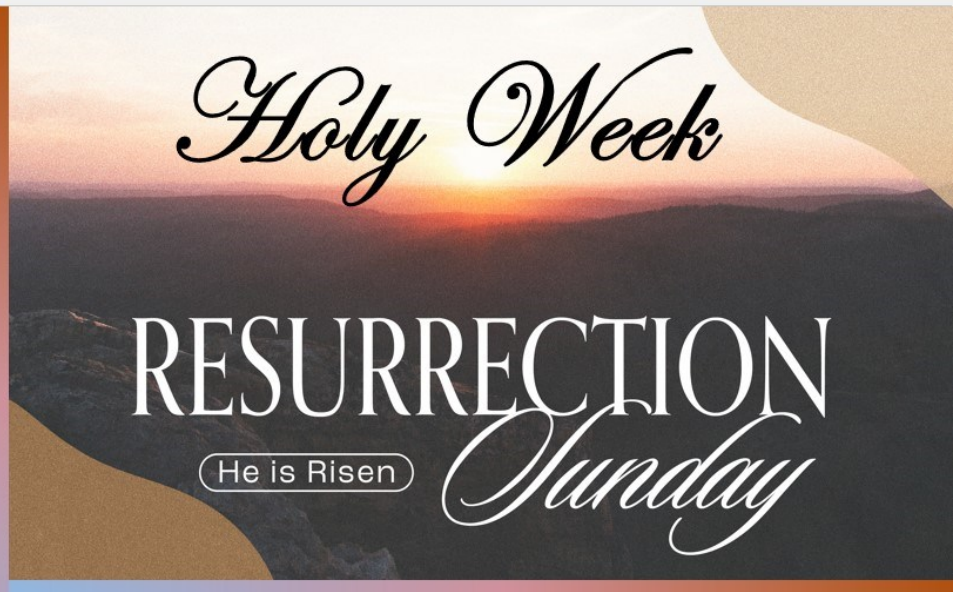


FAIRVIEW AVENUE

BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH

152 Fairview Avenue
Waynesboro PA 17268

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



- **Palm Sunday:** Baptism Sunday
- **Maundy Thursday**
April 17 @ 6:30 p.m.
- **Good Friday Tenebrae Service**
April 18 @ 7 p.m.

- Easter Sunday— April 20th**
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 - Easter Breakfast | Following SonRise
 - Resurrection Celebration | 10:30 a.m.
 - Easter Egg Hunt | Following Service

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