

# FAIRVIEW AVE. CHURCH

Open Doors, Open Arms, Open Hearts

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## — Fall Newsletter 2025 —

### FALL at Fairview Ave

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### Front Page News...

#### Back to Church Sunday: Life is Better Together!

Life *is* Better Together. God created us for connection but right now our world can be pretty isolating. Our faith was never meant to be experienced in isolation. Jesus promises to be present when we gather in His name and that presence makes church more than just a building—it's a community where we find encouragement, purpose, and hope.

I get it. It's easy to get out of the habit, discipline really, of going to church in the summer. So many things are going on and are competing for our attention. But vacation's over, summer's ending, school is starting, and church continues.

**It's time to get back to church!**

**Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, is National Back to Church Sunday.** Our theme for this year is **Life is Better Together.**

The service and message will focus on God's plan for His church and His blessing on His people as we gather for worship. And don't forget the **West End Neighborhood Picnic on September 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm**, a great chance to meet our neighbors.

**Starting Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>,** we'll be starting a new series called **"Creating a Culture of Blessing"** focused on reaching and blessing our neighbors.

**Let's get back to church together!**



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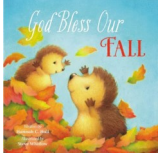
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## Fall Library News

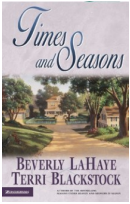
The carefree days of summer are behind, but days filled with the beauty of Autumn are soon upon us. We continue to be blessed with good book donations, thank you! Occasionally we have duplicates, which we place on the hall table for the taking. Here's an idea for parents; stop by the Library for a book your young child may enjoy during Worship. Sharon Thienes' name was drawn for our summer quarter! Congrats and keep on reading!

Take time to FALL into the library! As always, Colleen & Sue



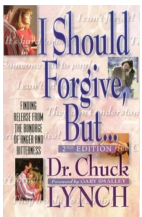
### **God Bless Our Fall by Hannah C. Hall**

Join these sweet animal families when the air turns cool and crisp as they enjoy and give thanks for all God's wonderful blessings.



### **Times and Seasons by Beverly LaHaye/Terri Blackstock**

When Cathy Flaherty's teenage son, Mark, is arrested for selling drugs, her neighbors show that Cedar Circle is a tightly knit group of friends whose faith, love and encouragement help each other. Through the hands and hearts of this loving community, God moves!



### **I Should Forgive But... by Dr. Chuck Lynch**

Forgiveness is the key both to ongoing relationships and to personal peace. If forgiveness is such a good and healthy thing, why is it so hard to do? This book points the way to resolving conflicts, healing relationships, personal growth and better counseling by providing biblically grounded, psychologically sound answers to the "Yes, Buts" of forgiveness.

## Fall Events at FABIC

# West End NEIGHBORHOOD Picnic

Saturday, Sep. 13 | 4:30 pm

We will provide hot dogs, lemonade & water.  
Please bring a dish to share. Invite your family & friends!

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



Let's

CELEBRATE

Ministry Together

See what God is Doing through FABIC  
in this special ministry showcase

OCTOBER 5 | RIGHT AFTER SUNDAY SERVICE | DON'T MISS IT!

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

September

September 8	Jon Warford
September 12	Olivia Eberly
September 15	Shirley Piper
September 26	James Smith

### Happy Anniversary!

Kyle & Kayla Paisley	September 1, 2019
Jack & Karen Harbaugh	September 1, 1974
Guy & Linda Davis	September 13, 1968



October

October 1	Val Dick
October 1	Barb Miller
October 2	Adelaide Cox
October 2	Julianna Smith
October 3	Jack Harbaugh
October 7	Rod Teach
October 10	Mercy Long
October 11	Tim Cox
October 12	Rosilyn Davies
October 16	Mary Ann Taylor
October 17	Donna Dockweiler
October 20	Greg Smith
October 21	Lynn Teach
October 27	Lexi Marks
October 29	Gloria Corey
October 29	Christopher Smith

### Happy Anniversary!

Josh & Jaime Wease	October 17, 1998
Shane & Kathy Harkins	October 22, 1983
Jon & Laura Warford	October 26, 1996



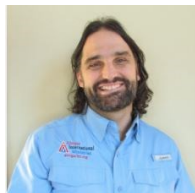
*If you have a birthday in the fall months and it was not featured here, please email the office.*

# Global Workers Update

Abogar has been working for the past year and a half to get connected in Mexico, and to find meaningful and clear ways to be able to bless the children there who are orphaned, abandoned, abused, and/or living in the street. After my three very successful trips to Ensenada in 2024, we have developed a partnership with Niños de Baja children's home, in El Porvenir, Ensenada, Mexico, and will be annually taking a team to partner with them in a shoebox distribution of Christmas items to bless between 1,500 to 1,700 children of the valley area around the children's home! This year's trip is from December 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>, and we still have some space available for more team members. Anyone interested can reach out to [info@abogarim.org](mailto:info@abogarim.org) for more information!

This year has thrown me for a bit of a loop, as I have spent more time in Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico than in Ensenada. My second trip to Hermosillo, in July, revealed to me a very dire need of many children who are unseen and forgotten, as an approximate more than 200 children are living in the sewer and drainage systems of the city! I am currently working with local representatives and government officials on the ground there, to explore opportunities and ways that we may be able to minister to and help rehabilitate these traumatized and precious children! Please pray for God to move hearts of the government to do what's right to truly help these children. Pray for successful partnership in this endeavor!

Finally, Abogar's finances are really low, which means I have not taken my full pay (more than \$8,000 behind in pay) since May! Bills are piling up and we could sure use a nice boost in our funding. Please pray for God to show up supernaturally and supply for all of the ministry's needs, as well as for me and my family! We greatly appreciate Fairview Ave. BIC Church, and your continued prayer and financial support! God bless you richly for the many that you support and help around the world! Hugs and blessings!!



Thank you!

Jesse Rivers

Founder, CEO of Abogar International Ministries

*"Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world." James 1:27*



## 2025 Fall Calendar

Neighborhood Picnic	September 13, 4:30 pm
Back to Church Sunday	September 21
Celebrate Ministry Together	October 5
Light the Night	October 31, 6– 8 pm
Fall Back	November 2

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



# 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](mailto:pastorjohn@fabicchurch.org)

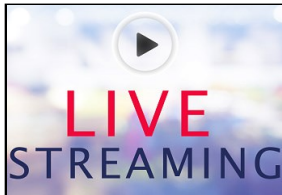


### Missed A Sermon?

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[www.fabicchurch.org/sermons](http://www.fabicchurch.org/sermons)



Watch on YouTube at  
[www.youtube.com/fabicchurch/live](http://www.youtube.com/fabicchurch/live)



Live Streaming of our Worship  
service every Sunday starting at  
10:25 a.m., at  
[www.youtube.com/fabicchurch/live](http://www.youtube.com/fabicchurch/live)

## Light the Night

Friday | October 31 | 6-8 pm



Sharing the light of Christ with our neighbors on Trick or Treat night. Light the Night is a family friendly and safe Halloween alternative open to the whole community. We will distribute bags of candy, hot chocolate and cookies.

Donations of individually wrapped candies needed, as well as, volunteers to help us hand out candy that night.



## 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. 2<sup>nd</sup> Thu/mo.

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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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!

Quincy Small Group, every other Sunday.





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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

**LIFE IS BETTER  
TOGETHER**

**BACK TO CHURCH  
SUNDAY**

SUN SEPT 21, 2025 | FAIRVIEW BIC CHURCH | AND AROUND THE **WORLD**

The graphic is a promotional poster for an event. The left side features a photograph of a group of people hugging, overlaid with a semi-transparent red and purple gradient. The right side features a map of the United States and parts of Canada, with numerous blue location pins marked with white crosses. A red location pin is placed on a street map of the church's location, with labels for 'Westview Ave', 'Fairview Ave', and 'W 3rd St'. The text 'Fairview Avenue Brethren in Christ Church' is written near the red pin. The overall design is vibrant and community-oriented.

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