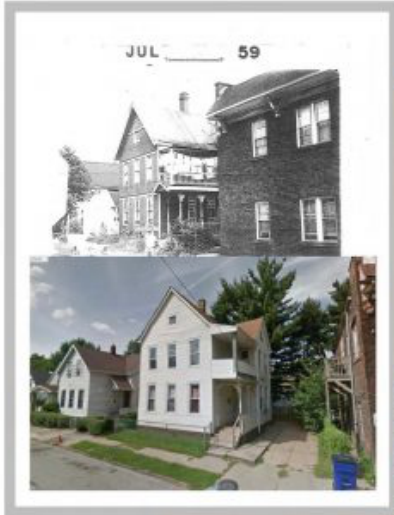




FAIRMOUNT PRESBYTERIAN Church



Breaking New Ground with Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry

Fairmount Presbyterian Church

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In accordance with CDC guidelines, and in order to caretake for the most vulnerable in our community, we ask that you wear your mask at all times while inside the church building, with the exception of partaking in Communion. In the sanctuary every other pew is roped off to encourage physical distancing and we will be passing the peace from our seats. Thank you for helping us ensure the health and safety of all members of our community.

Sunday morning worship throughout the summer will be at 10 am, with communion each Sunday, and will be offered in person and online.

Beginning September 19th, Sunday worship will be held in person at 8:30 am in the Chapel with communion and 11:00 am in the sanctuary. The sanctuary worship will also be live-streamed and recorded. This schedule will allow adequate time for staff to prepare for a hybrid worship experience. Youth and adult faith formation will be held at 10 am as needed, and small group meetings are also possible during this time. Remember masks are requested inside the church building.

WELCOME!

Fairmount Presbyterian Church warmly welcomes everyone to worship today! Check in to this Sunday's worship service - whether you are in the pews of our sanctuary, outdoors, or watching online at home - we want to hear from you! Using your smart phone or tablet, simply scan the QR code.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

*Brahms Chorale Prelude No 6 from Opus 22 (Organ)
O wie selig seid ihr doch, ihr Frommen in D minor*

Konrad Binienda, organ

WELCOME

Rev. Jessie MacMillan, Senior Pastor

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We are pulled in many directions.

Many: Many duties and tasks seek to lay claim on our lives.

One: This day, in this place, let service to God be our choice.

Many: This day, in this place, we open our hearts and spirits to God.

One: Blessed be the God of creation who has called us here.

Many: Let us worship God!

*HYMN 15

All Creatures of Our God and King

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

CALL TO CONFESSION

Because God is near to the brokenhearted,
let us consider how we have lived,
confessing our sins
and trusting in God's mercy to save.

Rev. Lindsay Harren-Lewis, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of our redemption,
we confess that we have not been faithful servants.
We have not served you with sincere hearts
nor trusted in your salvation.
We have forsaken you, the living God,
and have chosen to follow the lifeless idols
of worldly power and wealth.
Forgive us our sin, O God.
Lead us to heartfelt repentance
that we may honor you with our lips
and serve you with our lives;
through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

KYRIE: Hymn 576

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING THE PEACE

One: The Lord is gracious and merciful
God shows great and steadfast love to us
through Jesus Christ, our bread of life.
We are forgiven!
Many: Thanks be to God!
One: May the peace of Christ be with you all.
Many: And also with you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

SERMON

Rev. Drew Genszler, Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry

*HYMN 506

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table!

COPELAND

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

DOXOLOGY, Hymn 609

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts.
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

CARING FOR THE COMMUNITY

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE PEOPLE ARE SERVED

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

"En Ti Confió" (I trust in you)

Alicia Hrubey, alto
by Konrad Binienda, Lyrics by Zofia Johannsen O'Shea

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN 749

Come! Live in the Light!

WE ARE CALLED

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Cracovienne Fantastique Opus 19 No. 6

Konrad Binienda, piano

Sound recording and production by Jason Jedlicka

Sound booth volunteers- Mike Chevraux, Grant Gannon and Caleb Stripes

The Sanctuary Flowers are graciously donated by Georgianna (Gann) Roberts

In memory of James O. Roberts (Jim) whose birthday was August 19th.

These flowers from our Fairmount's gardens are thanks to Vicki Mentrek's green thumb.

Fairmount Welcomes Rev. Andrew D. Genszler

Andrew D. Genszler has been the President and CEO of Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry (LMM) since June of 2013. Previous to his time at LMM, Drew was the Director for Advocacy with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), as well as the Associate Director for Public Policy for Lutheran Services in America (LSA), a national umbrella of social service organizations. He also serves as a chaplain in the United States Navy Reserve, as well as on several boards in the area, including work with the Greater Cleveland Food Bank and Maximum Accessible Housing Ohio. Drew and his family live in Cleveland Heights.

Worship Notes

Prayer Requests During This Difficult Time

If you would like your prayer listed in our weekly Fairmount Prayer List which is sent to our prayer community, [fill out this form](#). You can also call or email Pastor Lindsay, (lindsayhl@fpccle.org, 216-321-5800 ext. 105) with prayer concerns or to talk to a Pastor.

Going Forth: Offering Our Gifts and Our Lives to God

With gratitude for the grace we have received, we go forth from worship to offer our energy, our hands, and part of our income in service to God. One way we respond to Christ's call is by giving our financial gifts to further God's mission in the world. You may mail a check to the church or make an online offering to support the many ministries of Fairmount Presbyterian Church by clicking the Giving tab on the homepage of our website (www.fpccle.org).

Service by Phone

We want to let you know of a new way you can connect to our weekly worship services – by phone! All you have to do is call 216-255-9353 around noon on Sundays and you will be able to hear a recording of our Sunday worship service.

Fairmount Presbyterian Church Leadership

Session

Clerk of Session, Bourbon Zeigler
Matt Hrubey, Treasurer

Class of 2021

Carol Adrine
Raleigh Duttweiler
Gordon Landefeld
Stephanie
Washlock

Class of 2022

David Bosler
Keith Mills
Sarah Pope
Peg Zitzner

Class of 2023

Megan Bennett
Grant Gannon
Todd Imbler
Chin-Tai Kim

Deacons

Class of 2021

Peter Bush,
Mary Ann Conn-Brody
Kathy Imbler
Martha Lee
Joyce Pope
Judy Steehler
Julia Swanson

Class of 2022

Denise Benton
Susan Kent
John Kieger
Nate Kruse
Nana Landgraf
Sarah Stone

Endowment Trustees

Class of 2021

Nicole Bush
Deanna
Campbell
Ian Murphy

Class of 2022

Doris Evans
Mark Eisele

Class of 2023

Tom Roulston
John Zitzner

At Large Nominating Committee

Jim Dakin
Doris Evans (Trustee)
Susan Kent (Deacon)
Nate Kruse (Deacon)
Kevin Petru

Christina Seekely
Jean Sylak
Barbara MacWilliams
Peg Zitzner (Elder)

Personnel Committee

Amy Carlson
Gina Kashuk
Nate Kruse
Os Mills

Elder Keith Mills
Elder Sarah Pope
Elder Vanessa Whiting (chair)

Pastor Nominating Committee

Carol Adrine
Peter Bush
Mike Chevraux
Raleigh Smith Duttweiler
Bill Leahy

Sarah Stone
Vanessa Whiting
Rev. Arvid Whitmore,
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, August 22nd

Welcome Visitors!

Visitors, we are so delighted you joined us for worship this Sunday! We want to hear from you, and help you get to know Fairmount. Scan the QR code, let us know you joined us for worship and drop us a line!



Coffee Hour

After our 10:00am worship, join us for conversation and coffee. Coffee, water and juice will be served, and each week. A different Deacon will serve as host. Coffee hour will include compostable coffee cups. You may of course bring your favorite hot beverage container to both refill at church and reduce waste.

New Member Class Coming in the Fall

Please contact Pastor Jessie, jmacmillan@fpccl.org, if you are interested in exploring what it means to be a Jesus follower...Presbyterian style.

Pastor Nominating Committee Update

We have reached a significant milestone in the process of Fairmount's pastoral search: Our Ministry Information Form has been approved by the Presbytery's Committee on Ministry, formally kicking off our candidate search! Please continue to hold the PNC in prayer as we continue the work of discerning whom God is calling to serve as our next settled pastor.

Presbyterian Week of Action: Monday, August 23rd through Sunday, August 29th

Amid the ever-present racial tensions existent in our nation and amplified last year, many PC(USA) staff band together to lift their voices in a proactive way to bring attention to injustice. [The Bearing Witness Team](#) has dedicated itself to responding to God's call to create beloved community by dismantling white supremacy culture and whiteness through a cross-agency and denominational collective voice. What was produced through this collective effort last year was The International PC(USA) [Week of Action 2020](#), [Voting Campaign 2020](#), [COVID-19 on the Margins Series](#), and the [Black Lives Matter signage](#).

The theme this year is "Shades of Oppression, Resistance and Liberation." The goal this year is to be even more inclusive of the wider denomination in the planning process as well as the implementation. Events will be both virtual and potentially in person. The Week of Action has, at its core, the idea of being a visible arm of justice in our communities around the denomination as we stand on the foundations of both [Matthew 25](#) and the [Hands & Feet Initiative](#). The week and theme are crafted to bring attention and action to the plight of those suffering from differing forms of oppressive situations. Detailed information available on our website: <https://fpccl.org/announcements/>.

Celebrate Sunday – September 12

Join us for worship and a celebration on September 12 as we kick off the new program year! We will have worship at 10 am, both in person and live streamed, followed by a picnic outside. We will have a large tent with tables and chairs set up under it, or bring your blanket to sit on the grass. There will be fried chicken and side dishes, a blessing of the backpacks, surprise FPC swag (it's good, we promise!), and deserts from Edwins on sale. We will also have a drive-thru option in case of inclement weather, or for those who are not comfortable attending in person. Visit <https://fpccl.org/2021/08/11/celebrate-sunday-september-12th/> to RSVP for Celebrate Sunday.

Online Sanctuary

Are you unable to get to church? Do you miss your Fairmount community? Come worship with us in the Online Sanctuary! Peter and Brenda Horth will be hosting a zoom worship meeting during the livestream on Sunday mornings, beginning with Celebrate Sunday, September 12th. There will be time for greeting before and after worship as well. You will be able to find the Zoom link in our weekly e-news, or by contacting Brenda Horth at brendamhorth@gmail.com. She'd love to talk to you if you need technical help or have questions. We look forward to seeing you!

Dear FPC Adult Choir Members

We are excited to invite you all to attend a meeting on Saturday, August 28th at 2pm. The purpose of this meeting will be to set up a rehearsal schedule for this coming season, discuss repertoire, and identify goals for the coming year.

More Ushers Needed

We invite our welcoming and friendly congregation to consider ushering. You can sign up for Sundays that fit your schedule at: <https://tinyurl.com/v9p99n>. Training is available, for questions please contact Todd Imbler, toddimbler@att.net.

Braille Books/ Touch and Tell

We are working together again at Fairmount Temple, the third Wed., beginning Aug. 18th from 9:30-11:30. We are making interactive alphabet books for the pre-school class at The Sight Center. We will wear masks and social distance. If you can use scissors and glue we need you. Any questions? Please contact Hedy at hedywestra@ameritech.net.

Greater Cleveland Food Bank

We have a small but mighty Fairmount group who help at the Food Bank the second Monday of the month from 9-12. We wear masks and social distance while packing light food items into boxes and we will soon be packing lunch bags again. We do not lift heavy boxes. We have a 15 minute break half way through the shift and when it ends we are told how many pounds have been packed. It is very satisfying to know we are joining our efforts with others to feed thousands of our neighbors. We are Tuni Chilcote, Wrean Fiebig, Melda Graves, Carol Giltz, Dottie Henry, Stephanie Jackson and Hedy Westra. If you are interested in helping please contact Hedy at hedywestra@ameritech.net to register.

Updates from Project Green Thumb

Project Green Thumb has been busier than ever! Check out what they're up to:

- For several months they have been able to deliver 30 to 45 plants and 24 to 40 meals to the Cleveland VA Hospital each month. A grant from the Serve Council aided in this work.
- Teaming up with the Rodale Institute's training program with veterans to provide training in Cleveland on organic gardening and farming.
- Working with the Cleveland VA and Petitti's Garden Center to support the Magnolia Greenhouse by sourcing range of herbs for the veterans being trained on by a Cleveland Master Gardener.
- During the month of September, they will have plant work for children, families and adults to participate in outside after church on Sundays.

If you are interested in learning more about Project Green Thumb, Ray McKinney and Copeland Lauder will be happy to talk with you further. Look for them at the plant tables!

Building Our Free Little Pantry Team

Thanks to all who have been contributing food this summer to keep our Little Free Pantry the vital resource it is. As someone who tends it weekly, I can tell you those donations disappear and make a difference to those in need. For me, it has been a quiet and fulfilling practice to stop by the church once a week, straighten up the pantry, and pull items from our stockroom to keep it full. Would you like to help? Being a Little Free Pantry Curator takes about 5-10 minutes and could easily be accomplished after Sunday worship or any day during the week. If so, just fill out the form: <https://fpccl.org/little-free-pantry/little-free-pantry-sign-up/>. We'll send you a link with pointers to make it easy. Thank you for helping to fill our summer and fall schedule as we respond together to hunger right in our neighborhood. - Sarah Stone, LFP Committee

Flock Tending

As part of the Deacons' service, we are looking to mobilize people to periodically check in with every member of our congregation. This is one way we seek to build church community, involve all members, and strengthen the ties that connect us as a church. Can you, and will you, answer the call to take on this role?

- **Commitments:** A training session with the Pastors and then having an informal individual conversation, typically by phone, with approximately 10 individuals, twice a year.
- **Purpose:** To ensure each member or friend of the congregation has a connection to the church. These connections will include having conversations, connecting members to ways they can be more involved in the church, and becoming a known and friendly voice and face of Fairmount.

If you're interested in responding to this call, please reach out to Pastor Lindsay at lindsayhl@fpccl.org or 216-321-5800 ext. 105.

Our Republic of Congo Guest

Our Republic of Congo guest, Jonas, is looking for odd jobs to earn money. Jonas is a hard-worker and a wonderful young man. He has worked with my neighbors gardening and many other needed tasks. Call or email: Jean Sylak (216-905-8853, jsylak@sbcglobal.net) to discuss your needs.

The Fairmount Fever are the 2021 Heights Church League Champions!

We played dominant softball in our victory yesterday. Saviour scored a run on a solo home run in the top of the first. The score remained 0-1 until the bottom of the fourth inning where we scored 5 runs. We added another 2 runs in the fifth and tacked on another in the sixth to go up 8-1. Then, in the top of the seventh, Saviour scored 3 runs to put the score at 8-4. They had the tying run at the plate with the bases loaded and two outs. The batter put a bloop to second base and Dillon made the catch, clinching the victory and the championship! We went 3-0 in the playoffs and only gave up a combined 14 runs over those three games. On the other hand, we scored a combined 32 runs.

Our excellent defense kept the opponent's bats at bay through the entire playoffs and all season long. Jackson, Chaz, Grant, and Scott all had great catches in the outfield. Greg kept third base locked down all day, Joe was his masterful self with great plays all day, including a double play from Dillon to Joe. Dillon had lock down defense and, as stated above, caught the game, season, and championship clinching out. CK and Chevy combined at first for their usual shutdown defense and may have to ice their hands a bit from those bullets fired from Joe. Rob continued to show his dominance on the mound and maintains his position as the best pitcher in the league. Ben and Brendan were behind the plate and kept Rob dialed in. Maria and Darrel rounded out the lineup in the DH spot keeping us moving back to the top of the order. Grant went 3 for 3 on the day and had 2 RBIs, Jackson also went 3 for 3 and an RBI, Chaz and Dillon both turned in RBIs with Chaz having a double as well. Scott had a phenomenal triple and had 3 RBIs as well. Joe also had a double and our remaining RBI. Brendan went 2 for 2 late in the game to keep us going.

We had a phenomenal fan turnout this week as well! We had a few former players in John Zitzner, James and Bill Mclaughlin. We had many family members that all helped cheer us on to victory. Thanks for everyone's support!!! Our Batting champ for the year is Grant who hit .800 on the year. He also is our RBI leader with 44! Congrats Grant! Jackson and Chaz were a close second and third in batting going .787 and .780 respectively. Lewis has an average of 1.000 but he sadly could only join us for one week this year.



To our Fairmount Fever Softball team
on winning the 2021 championship!

