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# ORECASTER AT FAIRMOUNT CHRISTIAN CHURCH



## Celebration Sunday August 27th at 10:00am in the Worship Center

On August 27, Fairmount will have a special day of worship thanking God for His guiding hand in the past, in the present, and in the future. Our Celebration Sunday will mark His handiwork in two primary ways:

- In 1903, Fairmount Avenue Church of Christ was officially opened in Richmond as a church plant of Third Christian Church. 120 years later, we have much to celebrate and thank God for – thousands of girls, boys, women, and men have come to Christ. Hundreds of missionaries have been supported and encouraged. From Central Virginia – across the Commonwealth – throughout the United States – and around the world, the name of Jesus has been proclaimed in word and deed.
- In 2023, Fairmount Christian Church will officially commission Local Christian Church in Ashland. This church plant, like Fairmount 120 years ago, will reach a whole new generation and many more with the Gospel of Jesus in the northern Hanover region - and well beyond.

We will celebrate the hand of God in these two achievements by having a combined worship service of all four of our Sunday morning services. All four services will gather at 10:00 a.m. in the Worship Center for a time of celebration that you will never forget. It's going to be an amazing day.

In addition, our elders will also be ordaining Jacob Ward into Christian Ministry. Another cause for celebration! Jacob, having come to faith at Fairmount and having served part-time on staff with us, will be moving to full-time with Local Christian Church.

There will be a nursery and children's programming at 10:00.

At the end of our worship service, we will have a fellowship time in the Worship Center lobby featuring Celebration cupcakes! You won't want to miss this day. You'll even want to bring friends with you to celebrate this special occasion.

Psalm 147 says, "Praise the Lord. How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him!" We praise Him every Sunday – we praise Him every day. On Celebration Sunday, we will all praise Him together.

-Rick Raines

### **Congregational Meeting Recap**

Our Annual Congregational Meeting took place on August 9th. The 2024 year fiscal budget (9/1/23-8/31/24) passed with 98% approval of 173 the ballots counted.

The following are new elders and deacons or those who are reaffirming their roles. These men are going through a 30-day affirmation period, which began the night of the meeting. If anyone has a Biblical reason why any of the men listed below should not serve in their recommended role, they should make that known in writing, signed, and sent to the Elders. Any issue brought forth will be discussed and researched, with the appropriate action taken. Please be in prayer for these men as they take on the important task of leadership and service.

Elders: Sam Henderson and Shawn Sears

**Deacons:** Ross Andrews, Mike Banton, Perry Barber, Manley Barden, Ryan Basile, Melvin Fields, Jacob Filegar, Ollie Greenwood, Ken Horner, Mark Iannitto, Jake Jacobs, Michael Kemper, Chris Minor, Ryan Nelson, Dwayne Norvell, Butch Parrish, Chuck Rogers, Johnny Scott, and Mike Thurman

#### **Online Giving Change**

On 8/16/2023, Farimount will be changing on-line giving vendors. Our new vendor – **OnlineGiving.org** – offers all the same services as our current vendor but at much lower prices and is a preferred partner for our ACS church software.

God is amazing and has blessed us in so many ways with health, talents, and finances. God wants all of our heart but only asks for us to return a portion to Him as a tithe. We are encouraged to be generous givers of all our blessings.

Giving back to God is a form of worship and we want to give you as many different ways to worship as possible. We thank you for your generous gifts to God's kingdom.

We always welcome your gifts physically here on Sundays, but we do offer technological ways to worship as well.

The link for the new vendor is available now on our website, www.fairmountcc.org.

You can go to the Fairmount website to give, and after the first time it will remember you.

Those of you who have set up recurring giving through our current provider, we need you to take action now. Go to the link on the Fairmount's website that says "Cancel PushPay" and cancel your existing recurring gifts by clicking "edit" then "cancel".

Also, please go to the "give" link on Fairmount's website to set up a new recurring gift with the new vendor. All givers are welcome to set up a recurring gift on a schedule that is convenient for you.

All recurring givers must remove their gift in our old vendor – Pushpay – **by Friday August 25** as the Pushpay service will be discontinued. The current Fairmount app will no longer be available for giving or be updated after this date. For those that have downloaded the Fairmount app, you will be directed to the web site.

Our new text number is 866-371-1069. You are also able to register with Onlinegiving.org via text. The current text number will end on Monday August 28.

One other way to worship is via Bill Pay Giving. Bill Pay Giving is set up directly through your bank (not Fairmount's Online Giving Platform). This is the only method that does not charge a fee to Fairmount, so, if you want your giving to go further, this could be a great choice. Contact your bank for more information. One final note is that giving via your credit card is the most expensive way for the church to receive gifts. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Veronica Brewster at vbrewster@fairmountcc.org or call the church office at 804-559-8070.

-RW McDowell



#### Life Groups: Doing Life Together

Life Groups at Fairmount are small groups that meet outside of church for fellowship and Bible study. Members of the group grow together spiritually and encourage each other through the highs and lows of life. Visit fccsignups.info/adult-life-groups for more information and to sign up for a group.

On the fourth Saturday of each month, a crew of our Fairmount family serves over 600 homeless people from around the Richmond area. The next Saturday Serving will be August 26th. The following items are needed for that meal by Wednesday, August 23rd: large jars of mayo, chopped onions & celery, lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, large containers of cole slaw & macaroni salad, large packages of sliced turkey, ham, & roast beef, hard-boiled eggs, dill pickle spears, fresh fruit, individual chips, desserts, rolls, croissants, bottled water, & disposable pans. If you would like to be involved in this vital ministry, contact Diane Greenwood (804-512-5177) or Pat Dalton (804-840-3901).





**Signing for Greeters** - Sunday mornings at 10:15am in Room 112 beginning September 10th. Learn basic signs to prepare greeters to have conversations with deaf visitors.

**Signing for Music** - Sunday evenings at 5:30pm in Room 112 beginning September 10th. Learn signs used during worship music to sign during services.

**Beyond Basics** - Zoom on Tuesday evenings at 7pm beginning September 7th. Learn in-depth vocabulary, grammar, and explore deaf culture.

Contact Christy Conquy at **myaslschool@gmail.com** for more information and to sign up.





## September 2023



Sun, Sept 3	8am-12:30pm	MANNA SUNDAY Sunday Services & Bible School	Mon, Sept 18	9-12pm 6pm 7pm	Caring Hearts & Hands, 132 Elders Meeting, 132 Rockin Refit, FLC
Mon, Sept 4		LABOR DAY - Church Office Closed All Activities Cancelled	Tues, Sept 19	10-1pm 1:15-2:15pm 6:30-8pm	Forever Young, Sanctuary Forever Young Choir, Music Suite Christ in Culture, 132
Tues, Sept 5	10am-1pm 1:15-2:15pm 7-8:30pm	Morning Friendship Circle, Sanctuary Forever Young Choir, Music Suite Fresh Hope, Music Suite		7-8:30pm 7-8pm	Fresh Hope, Music Suite ONE17 (Young Adults), Activity Center
Wed, Sept 6	7-8pm 6-8pm	ONE17 (Young Adults), Activity Center Griefshare Bible Study, Library	Wed, Sept 20	10-11am 6-8pm	Adult Bible Study, Room 132 Griefshare Bible Study, Library
Sun, Sept 10	8am-12:30pm	SCRIP TABLE OPEN Sunday Services & Bible School	Thurs, Sept 21	6:30-8:30pm	Share & Care Dinner & Meeting, FLC
	5-6pm 6-7:30pm 6-7:30pm	Orchestra, Sanctuary Cancer Support Group, Library FCYM CONNECTion, FLC	Fri, Sept 22	7pm	Micah Tyler Concert, Worship Center
		, ,	Sat, Sept 23	8am	Moments of Hope Saturday Servings
Mon, Sept 11	9-12pm 6:30pm 7pm	Caring Hearts & Hands, 132 Deacons Meeting, 132 Rockin Refit, FLC	Sun, Sept 24	8am-12:30pm 5-6pm 6-7:30pm	Sunday Services & Bible School Orchestra, Sanctuary Cancer Support Group, Library
Tues, Sept 12	7-8:30pm 7-8pm	Fresh Hope, Music Suite ONE17 (Young Adults), Activity Center		6-7:30pm	FCYM CONNECTion, FLC
Wed, Sept 13	10-11am 6-8pm	Mountain Mission Work Trip 9/13-9/16 Adult Bible Study, Room 132 Griefshare Bible Study, Library	Mon, Sept 25	9-12pm 7pm	Caring Hearts & Hands, 132 Rockin Refit, FLC
	·	,	Tues, Sept 26	7-8:30pm 7-8pm	Fresh Hope, Music Suite ONE17 (Young Adults), Activity Center
Fri, Sept 15	5:30-8:30pm	Fearless Friday Night, Worship Center			
Sun, Sept 17	8am-12:30pm 10am-12:15pm 12-2:30pm 5-6pm 6-7pm 6-7:30pm 6-7:30pm	Sunday Services & Bible School Shares Store Open JC Crew, 150 Orchestra, Sanctuary Vespers Service, Sanctuary Cancer Support Group, Library FCYM CONNECTion, FLC	Wed, Sept 27	10-11am 6-8pm	Adult Bible Study, Room 132 Griefshare Bible Study, Library

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#### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Mon, Aug. 28	Follow God, Not Human Traditions	Mark 7:1-8		
Tue, Aug. 29	Obedience, Not Sacrifice	1 Samuel 1:19-23		
Wed, Aug. 30	Be Gracious to Me, O Lord	Psalm 6		
Thu, Aug. 31	Jesus, a Friend of Sinners	Luke 7:24-34		
Fri, Sep. 1	Humility Before God and Others	Luke 14:7-14		
Sat, Sep. 2	Cleanliness and Holiness	Exodus 30:17-21		
Sun, Sep. 3	Be Cleansed Inside and Out	Luke 11:37-44		
Mon, Sep. 4	Bless the Lord Who Heals	Psalm103:1-12		
Tue, Sep. 5	Praise the Lord of Compassion	Psalm 103:13-22		
Wed, Sep. 6	Remember the Sabbath Day	Exodus 20:8-11		
Thu, Sep. 7	Rest for God's People	Hebrews 4:1-10		
Fri, Sep. 8	Enter God's Rest	Hebrews 4:11-16		
Sat, Sep.9	God's People Must Care for Others	Deuteronomy 22:1-4		
Sun, Sep. 10	The Sabbath Is for Doing Good	Luke 14:1-6		
Mon, Sep. 11	God Demands Justice	lsaiah 58:6-14		
Tue, Sep. 12	Do You Want to Be Well?	John 5:1-9		
Wed. Sep. 13	God's Work Faces Resistance	John 5:10-16		
Thu, Sep. 14	The Father Works on the Sabbath	John 5:17-21		
Fri, Sep. 1 <i>5</i>	Obedience Shows Wisdom	Deuteronomy 4:1-14		
Sat, Sep. 16	God, Teach Us Your Statutes	Psalm 119:113-128		
Sun, Sep. 17	Jesus Glorifies the Father	John 7:14-24		
Mon, Sep. 18	Forgive as You Have Been Forgiven	Ephesians 4:17-32		
Tue, Sep. 19	God Forgives	Psalm 130		
Wed, Sep. 20	Adultery in the Heart	Matthew 5:27-32		
Thu, Sep. 21	You Get the Judgment You Give	Matthew 7:1-5		
Fri, Sep. 22	Rejoice in God's Forgiveness	Psalm 32		
Sat, Sep.23	Let the Wicked Forsake Their Way	Isaiah 55:6-13		
Sun, Sep.24	Neither Do I Condemn You	John 8:1-11		
Mon, Sep. 25	Keep God's Laws in Your Heart	Deuteronomy 6:4-9		
Tue, Sep. 26	Practice Your Piety in Secret	Matthew 6:1-8, 16-18		
Wed, Sep. 27	Abide in Christ	John 15:1-8		
Thu, Sep. 28	God Will Give the Spirit	Ezekiel 36:25-30		
Fri, Sep. 29	God Will Repay Each One's Deeds	Romans 2:1-8		
Sat, Sep. 30	God Shows No Partiality	Romans 2:9-16		

#### **SUNDAYS**

- ⇒ Adults: Roland Greene (804)746-0251 6pm, Room 130
- ⇒ Adults: Barry Will & Karen Smith-Will (804)916-9687 6pm, Room 123

#### **TUESDAYS**

- ⇒ Christ in Culture (3rd Tuesdays) Felix Cross (804)363-8529 6:30-8pm, Room 132
- ⇒ Young Adult Group: One 17 Bill Nicol bnicol@fairmountcc.org 7pm, Activity Center

#### **WEDNESDAYS**

⇒ Adults: Rick Raines (804)559-8070 - 10am, Room 132

#### **THURSDAYS**

- ⇒ Men: Rick Raines (804)559-8070 6am Worship Center Lobby
- ⇒ Men: Pointmen Kevin Bartlett (804)932-3346 7pm, Music Suite
- ⇒ Women: Fearless Angie Shay (804) 339-4777 Time & Location Varies

#### **FRIDAYS**

⇒ Men: Harry Gill (804)402-6107 - 6am - Cold Harbor Restaurant

#### LIFE GROUPS

⇒ Life Groups - Seth Wortman - swortman@fairmountcc.org

#### SUPPORT GROUPS

- ⇒ Cancer Support Group: Pepa Acors pepaacors06@yahoo.com
- ⇒ Mental Health Support Group: Fresh Hope Tuesdays 7-8:30pm in the Music Suite freshhope@fairmountcc.org
- ⇒ Loss of Loved Ones: Griefshare Charlie Udriet (804) 291-6873
- ⇒ Deaf Ministry: Sign Language Classes Christy Conquy myaslschool@gmail.com



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10:00am

Children's and Youth will move up to their new classes. Stop by the photo opportunity at either entrance for a fun picture and special gift!

Children's Programming at 9, 10:15, & 11:15am
Infants - 5th Graders: Check in at a kiosk & head to
your new class.

Youth Programming 10-11am 6th-12th Graders: Report to the gym.

## SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

8:00am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

10:15am\* Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
Adult & Children's Bible School Classes

9:00am\* Contemporary Worship in the Worship Center
Adult Bible School Classes
Children's Worship

10:15am\* Modern Worship in the Worship Center
Children's Worship

6-12th Grade FCYM community

\*Worship service live-streamed at fairmountcc.org