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Class of 2025

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of Fairplain Presbyterian Church, rejoice in God's grace and redeeming love through Jesus Christ. We believe we have been called as God's children to create an open and welcoming community, to worship and praise God, and to nurture and support each other. We are called to develop our God-given gifts and to equip ourselves to reach out to the world in love and compassion. Thus prepared, we will share our faith, preach the gospel, feed the hungry, and be peacemakers according to God's will.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

April 21 - 28

TODAY:

9:30 am – Worship

11:30 am – Spring Potluck (Courtyard)
Food Delivery

TUESDAY:

10 am – Bible Study

7:00 pm – Zoom Session Meeting

THURSDAY:

1:30 pm – Food Pantry

SUNDAY:

9:30 am – Worship

Refreshments

10:30 am – Deacon's Mtg. (CE Office)

Prayer Requests & Joys: If you have prayer requests that you would like to leave as a voicemail to be played on Sunday morning, you can call 269-332-1118 to leave a message, and we will play it on Sunday morning.

April 21

Liturgist: Kristen Schell

Director of Music: Vladimir Slavujevic

Sound Technician: J. Michael Hall

Video Technician: Bill Cundiff

Nursery: Jody Pauley

April 28

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CONDOLENCES: Jennifer Brotzki & family, on the passing of her mother Judy Eckroth on April 12. Jennifer, Ben & Abigail Brotzki's address is: 535 Golden Bear Court, St. Joseph MI 49085.

PRAYERS (4/14/24): John Kauffman's son, Robert, diagnosed with prostate cancer, surgery in 1 month; Chris Corbitt's friend, John needs radiation for prostate & another surgery.

PRAYERS (4/7/24): Jerry Reutlinger, treated for back issues; Eloise's cousin Janice, having arm surgery & daughter-in-law Jill having surgery; Ann Cundiff broke ankle & in Pine Ridge, room #200; Kristen Schell assisted with 4 births (5 babies) in March, support for families; Malani's boyfriend lost his job 2 weeks ago; Leslie asks for prayers for Baltimore bridge collapse.

PRAYERS (3/31/24): Pete Wendel's dad, looking for assisted living memory care facility for him; Ramona had her cast removed; Schell family recovered from COVID and Strep.

PRAYERS (3/24/24): Greg Powell, entering Hospice Care and support for Vicki & family.

ONGOING PRAYERS: People of Israel, Palestine and Ukraine; Greg Powell & Vicki Born; Bill Cundiff; Jill Wendel's stepfather Dan, pacemaker; Ann Cundiff; Augie Meyer; Candi Keschull.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPRING POTLUCK: Please join us this morning at 11:30 am in the Courtyard for our Spring Potluck.

MAY NEWSLETTER: The deadline for articles for the May newsletter is no later than Wednesday, April 24. Thank you – Linda.

JURY DUTY: Linda Cogswell is on possible jury duty the week of April 22.

PHOTO REQUEST: If you have a photo you think would be good to use for front cover of bulletin, please submit to Linda in the office in a jpg format to the church email: fairplainpc@gmail.com



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Music in Our Services

Our director of music, Vladimir Slavujevic, often with the support of his family and Fairplain's choir, arranges for our Introit, Anthem, and Offertory, except on Sundays when we are served by our Praise team, "Wherever Two..."

Our prelude, postlude, hymns, and regular service music are pre-recorded. Retired Australian pastor Clyde McLennan provided most of the recordings we use. Other service music was provided by church musician Sarah Bereza and recording artist Richard M.S. Irwin. These talented musicians have released their music to the Church for use in services at no cost. Our sending hymn, "Go Now In Peace," was recorded for Fairplain by our beloved former pianist Ronnie Zanella.

Names for God in Our Services:

Observant Jews do not pronounce the Hebrew divine name, or Tetragrammaton, aloud. The Masoretes, a group of Jewish scribe-scholars, placed vowel markings under the four consonants of the divine name, indicating that a different Hebrew word should be read aloud when the reader came upon the divine name, usually "Adonai," "My Lord." Most English translations have adapted this practice by translating the divine name as "the LORD," in SMALL CAPS.

Rev. Dr. Wilda Gafney picked up a practice from Dr. Joel Rosenberg in a prayer book used in a Jewish center: translating the divine name using other language scripture uses to speak of God, and placing those words in SMALL CAPS to indicate the divine name. Rev. David Schell has adopted that practice.