

# FAIRFAX MESSENGER

JANUARY 2019



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## Sunday Worship:

Sunday School - 9:30 am

Worship - 10:30 am

Channel 61 Broadcast - Tues.  
4:00 pm

## Wednesdays:

Promise Keepers - 6:00 am

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## PASTOR'S Corner

- Pastor Andrew Sanders

The start of 2019 is here, where has the time gone? This is the time of year where people reflect on the things that went well in the last year and what they want to accomplish this coming year. So what do you have on your list for this year, the big things you would like to see done in your life professionally and personally?

These are questions we ask ourselves but this year I want to go a little deeper. I would like for you to envision what you would like the church to be this year? What is your vision of what God is doing through you, through your friends and most importantly through our church as the body of Christ?

We at Fairfax UMC understand that we have been blessed in many ways by God especially these last few years. We are in a great place financially, spiritually and continue to build the congregation numerically, but what is the next thing that you see God doing in our midst?

I was looking in the wisdom of the scriptures these past few weeks and came across Habakkuk, which is one of the minor prophets that gave his prophetic visions to the people. This is one of those vision statements that I thought was fitting for us as well when we are looking to the new things God will be doing in our midst.

***"I will take my stand at my watchpost and station myself on the tower, and look out to see what he will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my words. 2 And the Lord answered me: "Write the vision. 3 For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay." Habakkuk 2:1-3***

The Lord gives to us the vision of what He can do through us if we are willing, but it is those with this vision that are called to share what it is that God is calling us to do. I pray that each of us will take this opportunity to reflect on the last three years, celebrating the things that we felt went right, take into account those things that maybe **didn't fulfill the call of our church and then plan for what God is doing** next. He continues to have big things in store for us, it is however up to us to recognize these plans and live into them so that we can continue to grow as faithful disciples.

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# PASTOR'S *Corner*

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God has done mighty things in our midst as we have reached out to care for the community and help in reaching around the world in partnerships with food programs, partnership with other churches, providing needs to individuals, visiting the in-prisoned, bringing hope to the hopeless and finding ways to present Christ in each of these situations. I have no doubt that we have a church that is filled with disciples of Jesus looking for ways to fulfill this call upon us. So join with me in making 2019 a benchmark year in discovering what God can do in our midst if we just embrace the vision that He is giving us.

## Blessing Bags

The youth Sunday School class thanks all who donated to their Blessing Bags project. The youth filled 17 bags and gave them out to church families to keep in their cars. (Any additional bags will be given to a shelter to distribute.)

Please share your experiences with handing out the blessing bags—email the church office.



## Church Finance Report for NOVEMBER 2018

### Expenses:

|                              |    |          |
|------------------------------|----|----------|
| Administrative/Office: ..... | \$ | 307.59   |
| Finance: .....               | \$ | 121.24   |
| Nurture: .....               | \$ | 260.12   |
| Outreach/Witness: .....      | \$ | 494.78   |
| Staff Salaries: .....        | \$ | 5,756.86 |
| Trustees: .....              | \$ | 2,266.70 |
| Worship: .....               | \$ | 342.77   |

Total Expenses: \$ 9,550.06

Total Income: \$ 12,931.00

November Difference: \$ 3,380.94

## Second Harvest Volunteers

Our Ministry team would like to resume sending a volunteer team to Second Harvest in St Joseph.

In previous years a group from our church would work from 1-4 pm one afternoon a quarter. Anyone interested can contact Lois Wiley or Bob Sefrit. Once the approximate number of volunteers is known a date will be set & more information available



## Choir

The Choir will NOT be practicing or performing in January.

See everyone in February.

# Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at Fairfax UMC.



Donations to Growing Hope Globally (formerly FRB) for this current year can be made until February 1st.

Checks should be made to the "Fairfax Growing Project" and given to Bob Sefrit for deposit.

## Seenager s

On Friday, January 4th, 6:30 pm at the Collingham's we will be having our Post Christmas Potluck (main dish provided) and \$10 (new or like new) gift exchange.

RSVP to Mardee



## Tar kio/Westboro /Fair fax Food Pantry

In January let's help the food pantry recipients survive the winter by donating:

- ◆ Kleenex
- ◆ Chapstick
- ◆ Lotion
- ◆ Any item that you yourself appreciate at this time of year.

The donation box is by the west sanctuary entrance.

## JOY:

Everly  
Reigh  
Sander  
born Dec. 19  
(7 lbs 3 oz)  
in Holdrege NE.



Parents -  
Kaylyn & Kyle Sander  
Grandparents  
Randall & Tammy sly

# alzheimer's association®

PLACE: Community Hospital - Fairfax Conference Room

DATE: 2ND Wednesday of every month - for one year.

TIME: 12:30 TO 1:30 pm. *(No lunch will be served, as we have no idea how many will attend. Cookies will be served with drinks.)*

You can attend one class or pick the classes that you are most interested in attending. ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!! This is a FREE educational series sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association.

If you have any questions, you may call Gale Ball at work 660-686-2339.

## Remote Learning Series

This Remote Learning Series is bringing education to the community and providing the opportunity to attend a session close to home. Please join us for a monthly program to learn about memory disorders and the challenges associated with managing them.

### SCHEDULED TOPICS

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| JANUARY 9, 2019 | Caregiver Resilience: A discussion about caregiver issues and strategies to manage the care giving experience   |
| FEBRUARY 13     | Dementia-friendly Neighborhoods: A discussion about how all of us can improve the lives of families going through the dementia experience                   |
| MARCH 13        | Driving and Dementia  |
| APRIL 10        | A Family Affair: A discussion for parents and grandparents about how to support children as they interact with people close to them with <b>Alzheimer's</b> |
| MAY 8           | A Better Visit: A discussion about improving visits with individuals in middle stages   |
| JUNE 12         | Home Safety   |

## Mozambique Initiative

Our Sunday School kids have chosen to use the 'loose change' money for the Chokwe UMC quote with: 3 beds for their Parsonage; a Couch for their Parsonage; and 3 fans for their Chapel—(apprx \$1,680).

**The kids collect your 'loose change'** during offering time on Sundays...so come with loaded pockets!

At the time of this printing, we have \$1,361.49 towards the \$1,680 goal.

**GivePlus+** Electronic Giving: free APP for your phone!

*A great way to give your offering even when something comes up (like the blizzard on Nov. 25th) **and you can't make it to church!***

**Search in your phone's store for 'Give Plus church' and download the APP.** (through Vanco)

Search for Fairfax UMC  
(select the one with our address: 305 N Broadway)  
and set up an account (user/password).

YOU control it! Weekly or monthly or onetime offerings!

Also: we have the Bulletins/Altar Flowers/Website accounts available for you to select for your payment - so the next time you sign up to sponsor an area, you can pull up the app and set up a payment right off your phone!

## COMING UP...

The youth will host their **ANNUAL 'SOUP-ER' BOWL** DINNER on Sun., February 3rd following worship! Freewill offering. Everyone is invited—Mark your calendars!!



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| SUNDAY  | MONDAY   | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY   |
|---|--|---|---|-----------|---|--|
| <p>Worship<br/><u>Schedule</u></p> <p>Sunday School:<br/>9:30 am</p> <p>Worship:<br/>10:30am</p> <p>Channel 61:<br/>4:00pm Tues</p> |  | <p>1 New Years Day</p> <p>Office Closed</p>           | <p>2</p> <p>Promise Keepers:<br/>6:00am</p>                     | <p>3</p>  | <p>4</p> <p>Meals-on-Wheels:<br/><i>Alice</i></p> <p>Seenagers: 6:30pm<br/>at Collinghams</p>   | <p>5</p>   |
| <p>6 Epiphany</p>   | <p>7</p>   | <p>8</p> <p>Food Pantry Mtg:<br/>9:30am in Tarkio</p> | <p>9</p> <p>Promise Keepers:<br/>6:00am</p> <p>WEE: 6:30 am</p> | <p>10</p> | <p>11</p>   | <p>12</p>  |
| <p>13</p>   | <p>14</p> <p><i>Year end reports<br/>due to district office</i></p>                  | <p>15</p>   | <p>16</p> <p>Promise Keepers:<br/>6:00am</p>                    | <p>17</p> | <p>18</p> <p>Meals-on-Wheels:<br/><i>Bob &amp; Amy</i></p>  | <p>19</p>  |
| <p>20</p> <p>Human Relations<br/>Day: observed with<br/>special offering</p>  | <p>21 Martin Luther<br/>King Jr. Bday<br/><i>(observed)</i></p> <p>Office Closed</p> | <p>22</p> <p>Newsletter<br/>Deadline: FEB</p>         | <p>23</p> <p>UMM: 6:00 pm<br/>meeting &amp; potluck</p>         | <p>24</p> | <p>25</p>   | <p>26</p>  |
| <p>27</p>   | <p>28</p>  | <p>29</p>   | <p>30</p>   | <p>31</p> | <p><u>Office Hours</u></p> <p>8:00 am—12:00 pm<br/>Mon—Thurs</p> <p>Phone:<br/>660-686-3314</p> <p>umc@fairfaxmo.net</p> <p>Fax: 660-686-9505</p> | <p><b><u>Pastor's Hours</u></b></p> <p>Tues &amp; Thurs<br/>8:00 am—12:00 pm</p> <p>417-770-6731 (cell)<br/>736-5823 (home)</p> <p>asanders1016@<br/>yahoo.com</p> |

## WOMEN'S EVENING Edition (WEE)

Wed., January 9th at 6:30 pm

## United Methodist MEN

Wed., January 23rd at 6:00 pm

### Office Closed:

January 1st for New Years Day  
January 21st for Martin Luther King Day

Thank you for the Christmas gift and for all your words of encouragement throughout the year!  
- Darla

Thank you to all who donated items to the Tarkio Food Pantry in November & December.

-Ministry Team

Thank you for your donations towards the "Blessing Bags". We sorted and filled 17 bags!  
- Youth Sunday School class

Fairfax United Methodist Church,  
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

- Dwayne & Connie Hall

To the Methodist Church family I would like to say Thank You for your very generous Christmas Gift! It is very much appreciated. Blessings to each one in the New Year!  
- Janet  
Also the church purchased a new vacuum and it is great! Thank You!

## January Birthdays

|                 |       |
|-----------------|-------|
| Thomas Southard | 01/01 |
| Holly Swinehart | 01/01 |
| Judy Bradfield  | 01/02 |
| Barbara Jones   | 01/08 |
| Joe Hill        | 01/12 |
| Jamie Roop      | 01/13 |
| Izabella Walker | 01/17 |
| Mike Lewis      | 01/20 |
| Gene Bradfield  | 01/22 |
| Calvin Graves   | 01/22 |
| Tony Sly        | 01/23 |
| Bo Peregrine    | 01/24 |
| Joaquin Hill    | 01/25 |
| Traci Davis May | 01/27 |
| Gena Mitchell   | 01/27 |
| David Sly       | 01/27 |
| Bryan Frohn     | 01/28 |
| Jim Ball        | 01/30 |
| Kourtney Sly    | 01/31 |
| Kelsey Sly      | 01/31 |

## January Anniversaries

|                          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Howard & Connie Hall     | 01/20 |
| Cal & Janet Morton       | 01/21 |
| Roger & Suzanne Southard | 01/23 |

If you or your loved ones are not on the list, contact the church office: [umc@fairfaxmo.net](mailto:umc@fairfaxmo.net) or 686-3314 with your info and we will get our records updated.

## HOTLINES:

- Boys Town National Hotline---- 1-800-448-3000  
24/7...365 days a year...teens/parents/families
- Child Abuse and Neglect ----- 1-800-392-3738
- Elderly Abuse and Neglect ----- 1-800-392-0210
- Gambling Addiction ----- 1-888-BETSOFF  
----- (1-888-238-7633)
- Mental Health Crisis Line ----- 1-800-392-0280
- Missouri School Violence----- 1-866-748-7047
- Poison Control ----- 1-800-392-9111
- Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence  
----- 1-800-548-2480
- Suicide Prevention Lifeline ---- 1-800-273-TALK  
----- (1-800-273-8255)
- Teen-to-Teen Hotline ----- (800) TLC-TEEN  
----- (800) 852-8336
- Crisis TEXT Line ----- 741741

# Stewardship 2018:

Receipts as of Dec. 31, 2018:

|                                     |                  |                    |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Plate & Electronic Offerings:       |                  | <i>Attendance:</i> |
| <i>Monday through</i> First Sunday  | 4,147.00         | 44                 |
| <i>Monday through</i> Second Sunday | 2,163.00         | 48                 |
| <i>Monday through</i> Third Sunday  | 1,205.00         | 53                 |
| <i>Monday through</i> Fourth Sunday | 6,524.00         | 68                 |
| <i>Monday through</i> Fifth Sunday  | 4,576.00         | 48                 |
| <b>Total 'General' Offerings:</b>   | <b>18,615.00</b> |                    |

## BUDGETED 'General' Account only:

Received to Date Total Income: 131,406.45  
 Needed to Date Total Budgeted: 124,581.00  
 (2,395.79 weekly)

|   | Received<br>Since Last Report | Received<br>To Date |
|---|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| SPECIAL OFFERINGS:                            |                               |                     |
| Adopt-a-family                                | 285.00                        | 285.00              |
| Altar Flowers                                 | 0.00                          | 390.00              |
| Back Pack Buddies                             | 50.00                         | 545.00              |
| Building Use                                  | 0.00                          | 75.00               |
| Bulletins                                     | 30.00                         | 470.00              |
| Festival of Sharing                           | 0.00                          | 59.00               |
| GHG ( <i>formerly FRB</i> )                   | 0.00                          | 0.00                |
| Lent  | 0.00                          | 197.00              |
| Love Offering                                 | 0.00                          | 565.00              |
| Mozambique Initiative ( <i>loose change</i> ) |                               |                     |
| Loose Change:                                 | 123.61                        | 1,831.01            |
| Soup-er Bowl Dinner: <i>hymnals</i>           | 0.00                          | 521.00              |
| Operation Christmas Child                     | 0.00                          | 547.00              |
| Sunday School                                 | 78.88                         | 642.74              |
| UMCOR   | 0.00                          | 150.00              |
| Web Site                                      | 0.00                          | 238.50              |
| Special Sundays:                              |                               |                     |
| Human Relations Day                           | 0.00                          | 22.00               |
| UMCOR Sunday                                  | 0.00                          | 161.00              |
| Native American Ministries                    | 0.00                          | 136.00              |
| Peace with Justice                            | 0.00                          | 30.00               |
| World Communion                               | 0.00                          | 116.00              |
| UM Student Day                                | 70.00                         | 70.00               |

## facebook

You can find a link on our church website at:  
[www.fairfaxumc.net](http://www.fairfaxumc.net)



## Reminder:

If at anytime, you'd like to make any changes to receiving our newsletter...just email Darla in the church office, [umc@fairfaxmo.net](mailto:umc@fairfaxmo.net). Possible ways to receive: by email; pick up at church; by mail; or read from website.

# Serving our church in JANUARY:

Altar Flowers: Dixie and DeAnna Coggin  
 in memory of  
 Rev. HB and Blanche Coggin

Bulletins:  
 Jan. 6: Judy Raya  
 in memory of loved ones

Jan. 13:

Jan. 20:

Jan. 27:



Communion Steward: Mardee Collingham

Laptop:

Jan 6: \_\_\_\_\_ Jan 13: Braden Graves

Jan 20: \_\_\_\_\_ Jan 27: Braden Graves

Scripture Reader: Dana Tracy

Ushers: Gerry Collingham and Roger Southard

Web Site Sponsor: Jim & Mary Brown

(please call the church office, 686-3314,  
 if you can fill any of the open areas.)



We do AFTERNOON visits once a week or no less than twice a month.

If you think that you would be able to do this call Lois at 660-736-4965 or 660-623-0040.



## Birthdays and Anniversaries

We will be recognizing our birthdays and anniversaries on the last Sunday of each month during worship!

# Human Relations Day January 20<sup>th</sup>

Together, we extend a helping hand to those in crisis so they can overcome formidable obstacles.

Turn on the news or drive around the outskirts of your town and you will find what Jesus called “the least of these.” Those living in the margins of society, struggling to survive.

People like:

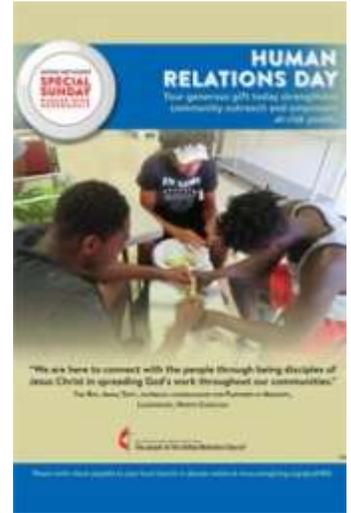
- ◆ An immigrant teenager in Texas’ poorest county, being recruited by a local gang
- ◆ A father struggling for sobriety in Little Rock, Arkansas
- ◆ An Oklahoma woman recently released from incarceration looking for work

Over and over Jesus served people like this, embracing them. And that’s what we want to model as the people of The United Methodist Church. To continue the ministry of Jesus we established Human Relations Day as a Special Sunday that calls all of our churches to participate in helping all God’s children to realize their potential.

Will You Support the Ministry of Christ Among Those on the Margins?

Will you continue to support Human Relations Day? Will you continue nurturing at-risk youth, strengthening communities’ self-improvement efforts and advocating for the oppressed?

Please use the envelope, enclosed with this newsletter, for your offering (made payable to Fairfax UMC, memo-HRD). You may either mail it to the church office (PO Box 318, Fairfax MO 64446) or bring it to church and drop it into the offering plate. Thank You!



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