

# Fairmount Avenue United Methodist Church

## Our Vision Statement

*To be a joyful, welcoming community  
igniting hearts and minds for God's work.*

a Reconciling Congregation

June 9, 2024

Graduation Recognition

10:00am

**Welcome to worship at Fairmount Avenue United Methodist Church!**

**We are so glad that you are worshipping with us today.**

- Our service will be livestreamed. If you are concerned about your image on the livestream, the greeters can assist in finding a place to sit not visible by camera.
- We want to pray with you. Feel free to complete a prayer card located in the pew in front of you and place into the offering plate when passed, or give to an usher.
- HEARING AIDS AND LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS are available for those who prefer. Our ushers are happy to assist you.
- Nursery care is available for children ages 5 and under. The nursery is located off of the Wesley Room, west of the sanctuary. Our ushers are happy to assist you.
- If you are sitting at the end of a pew, please mark your name in the attendance pad and pass along to others in the pew.
- Gender inclusive and family bathrooms are available for all. Our ushers are happy to assist you.

PRELUDE

*Soeur Monique*

François Couperin

WORDS OF WELCOME

\*PRAYER OF INVITATION †

***We come broken.***

This is a story of hope.

***We come fearful.***

This is a story of peace.

***We come cynical.***

This is a story of liberation.

***We come empty.***

Listen for the story of life. ***Amen.***

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us greet each other in the name of the Risen Christ. Peace be with you.

***And also with you.***

\*HYMN

“Welcome”

see insert

POETRY READING ††

*god is no noun*

BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES\*

*Graduates are invited to come forward.*

***God of truth and knowledge, by your wisdom we are taught the way and the truth.***

***Bless these graduates as they now finish their studies.***

***Thank you for the ways in which you have supported them along the way.***

***Walk with these graduates as they move forward in life. Take away their anxiety and confusion. Strengthen their many talents and skills. Instill in them a confidence in the future. Continue to develop and grow them in their faith and their purpose as they embrace the close of one chapter and begin another. Amen.***

CHILDREN’S TIME

*Children are invited to come forward as parents are comfortable.*

*Please note that children who come forward may be visible on the livestream.*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Tenderly Calling*

Jan Garrett

Barbara Korf, Roger and Blake Butenhoff

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

UMH No. 94

*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!*

\*PRAYER OF BLESSING

\*HYMN

“His Eye is on the Sparrow”

see insert

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*We now offer petitions of joy and concern from prayer cards.*

Lord in your mercy... ***hear our prayer.***

In gratitude let us pray to the Lord... ***hear our prayer.***

*Prayers lifted during this time are shared with our Prayer Chain, a group of individuals who have covenanted to being in prayer with and for our congregation.*

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.***

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 21:8-21

SERMON

*Hagar and Ismael*

Rev. Shawna Horn

\*HYMN

“Take My Life and Let it Be”

UMH No. 399

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Grant us Thy Peace*  
Barbara Korf, Roger and Blake Butenhoff

from UMH No. 663

GO IN PEACE.

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***\*Congregation, please rise in spirit, and stand as you are comfortable.***

† UM Worship and Song No. 73: Cherly Lawrie © 2009 admin. by  
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†† Dr. Glen Thomas Rideout, by permission; published June 2016 in Quest Magazine

\*Adapted from UM Book of Worship No. 536: Andy Langford, U.S.A., 20th cent.

LAITY ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP:

*Liturgist:* Scott Wendell

*AV Booth:* Meg Kasting, Josiah Horn

*Ushers:* Blake Butenhoff, MJ and Claire Ryan

*Nursery:* Mike and Lori Neuberg

*Counters:* Robert Boucher, Andrew Lubar

*Counters Next Week:* Matt Anderson, Mike Neuberg

*Fellowship Servers:* Ann Behmler, Chris & Kristin Matthews-Long

*Fellowship Servers Next Week:* Steve Wertz, Rob & Machael Kelley

*If you have swapped serving dates, please inform the church office so that service recognition is accurate. Thank you!*

## Here's What's Happening at Fairmount Avenue

Y.A.M. DnD Potluck and Game Night— Today, June 9 at 4:30pm. *Details on insert.*

Prayer Shawl Ministry Team Meeting— Monday, June 10 at 7:00pm via Zoom.

Staff Meeting— Tuesday, June 11 at 10:00am in the Wesley Room.

SPRC Meeting— Tuesday, June 11 at 7:00pm in the Susanna Room.

### Sunday Morning Programming: June 16

10:00am— Worship

11:00am— Fellowship Time (Coffee Hour)

### This Week's Happy Birthdays go to:

- 9 Elizabeth Herge
- 10 Paul Dickison
- 11 Eric Lubar  
Libby Stone  
Evan Lindstrom
- 13 Heather Snyder
- 14 Machael Kelley  
Steve Wertz  
Jeff Stender

### **All Church Conference**

**Sunday, June 30 at 6:00pm via Zoom**

All are invited to attend our church conference where nominations for committees will be heard and voted upon.

To join, visit <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83197312235>.

Contact Pastor Shawna with any questions or for more info.

### FAIRMOUNT AVENUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

#### MINISTERS: *The Congregation*

*Pastor*

Rev. Shawna Horn

*Heritage Ringers*

Mindy Way-Johnson

*Music/Choir Director and Organist*

Michael Ferguson

*Parish Nurse*

Muriel Olson

*Children's Ministries Director*

Ashton Pappas

*Custodial Ministries*

Kirsten Herkenhoff

*Youth and Young Adult Ministries*

Cindy Radtke

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