

- 8:30 a.m. Worship in the Chapel with Communion
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Jr. High Small Group
- 10:15 a.m. FPC Choir Warm Up
- 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary and Online
- 12:15 p.m. Joyful Noise Rehearsal in Choir Room

Happening Today

Today **WE Time, children in pre-k through 3rd grade**, will be invited to go to their classroom during worship service. Please promptly pick your kids up in room 214 after worship. 4th and 5th graders are invited to sit in the Club 4/5 pews with Lisa Nester in the front of the sanctuary during worship.

Nursery care is back, and available from 10:45 a.m. -12:15 p.m. on Sundays in the nursery.

We are excited to share our redesigned website, www.fpccl.org, that was created in partnership with Small Steeples. The updated site highlights who we are as a congregation – our vision, values, worship, and ministries – while also making it easier for visitors and the wider community to discover what Fairmount is about. In addition, the site includes a secure Member section where you can access announcements, the church calendar, giving, council information, volunteer opportunities, Realm, and more. The current password for the Member login is - Fairmount2025! - and we will notify you if that changes in the future.

2026 Fairmount Leadership Nominations

The Nominating Committee invites you to help shape the future of Fairmount by nominating our next Elders, Deacons, and Trustees. If you feel called to serve – or know someone who might – visit Vicki Mentrek in Andersen Hall this Sunday, or scan the QR code to explore role descriptions and submit a nomination online.



Music Ministries

The Joyful Noise will kick off rehearsals for this new season **TODAY at 12:15 p.m.** in the choir room. This choir is for children in grades 1 through 5. All are welcome.

Rush Hour Concert, Tuesday, September 23rd at 5:30 p.m. Our first Rush Hour Concert of the 2025-26 season is with saxophonist Tyler Young, pianist Irwin Shung, and cellist Elora Karras. They will dive into seminal saxophone works by the introspective composer David Maslanka.

The Intergenerational PopUp Choir will sing for worship on **October 5th** with a rehearsal in the sanctuary at **10:15 am**. All singers of all stages are welcome to join. It is helpful, but not necessary, to let Jim Riggs (Jim@fpccl.org) know of your intention to sing.

Save the date for **John Rutter's "Requiem" on Sunday, November 2, 3:00 p.m.** The Fairmount Choir, soloists, and chamber ensemble offer this work marking the 40th anniversary of its premiere.

Fairmount Happenings

Spirituality in Nature Walk

Please join Nikie Monah and Alycia Ashburn for an early autumn Spirituality in Nature Walk/Picnic on Monday, September 22nd starting at 5:30 p.m. at Acacia Reservation in Beachwood. Pack a portable dinner and drink for yourself, and we will stop to picnic during our walk together. Rain date: Monday, September 29th at 5:30 p.m. Email Alycia at ashburnlrc@gmail.com to RSVP.

4th Annual All-Church Retreat - Saturday, October 4th

The whole Fairmount community is invited to gather for a day to pause, reconnect, and be inspired. Through worship, conversation, play, and creativity, we'll explore our mission—*Reclaim Our Humanity, Embody God's Love*—and four core values. Come ready to discover new clarity about your *purpose* and *potential*, and to find renewal in *belonging* to God and to this community. Together, we'll reflect on the *liberation* God is calling us toward as individuals and as a community. Bring your curiosity, your heart, and your whole self. This retreat is free and for everyone—children and folks of all ages—including those who are new to Fairmount. It is helpful if you let us know you plan to attend. RSVP by scanning the QR code.

Cost: Free (\$15 Suggested Donation)

Location: Fairmount Presbyterian Church (2757 Fairmount Blvd)

Time: Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Retreat begins at 9:30 a.m. and concludes at 3:00 p.m.

Meals: Lunch is included



Second Genesis

Fall 2025 Bible Study

Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. , September 17th through November 19th

The stories of Genesis—the very first book in the Bible—are foundational to understand what follows. Whether the “pre-historical” stories of Genesis originated from any actual history or they’re purely folkloric tales crafted to teach about God and our origins, they are vital to our faith. In this Bible study, we will read through the stories of Genesis together. But we won’t just read one version. We’ll compare a few different translations, along with a modern theological reinterpretation of the stories, as together we ask: What are these stories really about?

North Church: Join Us for a Spark Session

You are invited to a meeting of North Presbyterian Church Partners and Friends on Thursday, October 2nd at 7:00 p.m. We will share a presentation on latest developments, our vision for North Church, and ways you and your congregation can support this vital urban ministry of the Presbytery of the Western Reserve. Scan the Blue QR code to let us know you plan to attend.



Volunteers Needed: No Strangers Club on Sunday, October 12th!

Fairmount is committed to being a “third place” where people of all or no faiths can connect and see the humanity in one another. In a culture that is increasingly anxious, angry, and transactional, we seek to offer space for healing and connection. No Strangers Club is an interfaith, community-facing gathering for anyone who has a hunger for intentional, low-tech, meaningful connection. If you believe creating space for people to practice the truth that we belong to one another is sacred, consider volunteering! Sign up by scanning the QR code. Questions? Contact Kate Bouldin: kate@fpccl.org



Gentle Flow Yoga

Looking for a peaceful start to your week? On the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month, Diane Gent will be teaching a Gentle Flow Yoga class in Room 114. The hour-long class begins at 10:00 a.m. (arrive by 9:50 a.m.) Bring your own mat and yoga blocks. There is a \$15.00 fee per class. If you are interested, contact Diane at dmgent717@gmail.com.