

- 8:30 a.m. Worship in the Chapel with Communion
- 10:00 a.m. Earth Stewards Meeting
- 10:15 a.m. FPC Choir Warm Up
- 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary and Online
- 12:15 a.m. Solar Panel Celebration in Andersen Hall
- 12:45 a.m. Solar Panel Ribbon Cutting

Happening Today

Today **WE Time, for children in pre-k through 3rd grade, and Club 4/5, for 4th and 5th graders** starts back up. These children will be invited to go to their classrooms during the worship service. Please promptly pick your kids up in room 214 (WE) or the youth room (Club 4/5) after worship.

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

Today after our 11:00 a.m. worship, everyone is invited to Andersen Hall for a special *Sunny* coffee hour celebrating the installation of 66 new solar panels on our roof! This exciting milestone reflects Fairmount's ongoing commitment to caring for God's creation. Come learn more about the project, share good conversation, and enjoy cake, coffee, and lemonade. At 12:45 p.m. we'll gather outside for a few words and the ceremonial ribbon cutting – don't miss it!

This evening (4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.), you are invited to the 2025 Dougbe River School Gala at the Banquet Center at St. Noel's in Willoughby Hills. The school, which was started by Fairmount's own Isaac Monah, is the only school in Grand Gedeh County - a rural area of 4028 square miles - and is supported by Fairmount's Serve Council. This year's gala is themed "Nourishing Our Roots, Reaching For the Sky!". There will be a silent auction, a performance from the Djapo Cultural Arts Institute, and updates about the school. Tickets are available at <https://drpsl.org/2025-gala>.

We are excited to share Fairmount's newly redesigned website, 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

Organ Recital, Tuesday, September 16th at 7:00 p.m., Our Lady of Peace, Shaker Square.

The Cleveland Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will host a members recital on the new Schantz Organ at Our Lady of Peace. Jim Riggs will be playing two pieces on this recital. 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 Joyful Noise (children grades 1-5) will resume rehearsals next **Sunday, Sept 21st from 12:15 p.m.-12:45 p.m.** in the choir room. If you haven't done so already, please let Jim Riggs (Jim@fpccl.org) know of your child(ren) intention to join this choir. The children will learn songs and play the Orff instruments.

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 29, 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?