



Sunday, April 5th Easter Sunday

9:00am Easter Worship in the Sanctuary and Online

10:15am Easter Egg Hunt in Andersen Hall

11:00am Easter Worship in the Sanctuary and Online

Collaborative Art Project

Over the past 6 weeks Christ Episcopal, Fairmount Presbyterian, First Baptist, Shiloh Baptist, and St. Mark's Presbyterian have walked through Lent together. We have gathered each week for worship, prayer, dinner, and conversation. During these evenings participants were asked to add to a collaborative art project, responding to the prompts: "When you think of power or the Beloved Community, what comes to mind? What did you hear tonight that stands out to you?"

Each week a new piece of art was created – one for each church. Each of the pieces features a light that is lit by the cross; a light which shines in the darkness and cannot be overcome. This light is a symbol of God's power at work in us to live as the Beloved Community. While these pieces are beautiful, there is an unfinished quality to them, representing the work we are still engaged in and that God continues to do in us. While each piece is similar, no two are the same. They represent the collection of people and ideas that were present in its moment of creation and celebrate the friendships and community built between our churches. Thank you to everyone who participated in helping to create these works of art!

Help Deliver Easter Flowers!

Share the joy of Easter in a simple, meaningful way. Stop by Andersen Hall to pick up a flower, and an address card to visit a homebound member near you. Your kindness and a few moments of your time can brighten someone's day and remind them they are deeply loved and part of our church family.

Easter at North Presbyterian Church

We give thanks for our members and friends who are serving at North Presbyterian Church this Sunday. They will provide a nourishing Easter Lunch for our friends from the Men and Women Shelters nearby.

Music Notes and Fairmount Music Ministries:

The Eleanor R. Baird Music Fund makes today's music possible. Created in 2012, this fund is used for music program enhancement. Both Eleanor (1912-1994) and John (1909-2007) were members at Fairmount who appreciated music. We are grateful for this gift that continues to enhance our worship experiences.

Thank you to ALL the musicians who have enriched our worship experience this Holy Week and Easter Day. Many have given close to 10 hours of time this past week for rehearsals and services.

The Intergenerational PopUp Choir will sing next on Sunday, April 19th with a rehearsal at 10:15am. Shower singers and seasoned singers are welcome to join.

The final Rush Hour Concert of this season is Tuesday, April 21, 5:30pm with Jackson Naglick in a program of works for the piano.

The Spirituals Project--Fairmount has launched a year-long project, following in the steps of other churches, of collecting reparations for spirituals used by composers in modern day arrangements for sale to schools, churches, and community groups. Funds raised will support local black musicians. See the bulletin board outside the sanctuary for details on Quarter 1 donations raised. Today we launch Quarter 2 with funds raised supporting the **Karamu House**. Founded in 1915, it is the oldest producing African-American theater in the United States. Scanning the QR code enables you to make a donation.



Fairmount Happenings

Alpha and Omega: The Beginning and the End of Creation

The Big Bang Theory reveals that the universe as we know it came into existence 13.7 billion years ago from a singularity. And evolutionary theory has proven that humans are descended from ancestors that we can trace back more than 3 billion years to single-celled organisms. Over the last two centuries, advances in modern science and technology have inspired Christians to read our sacred creation stories in new ways.

From Easter to Pentecost, we will hold our book of scripture alongside the “book of nature” as we hold creation’s past and its future in tension. Each Sunday, we’ll consider what different features of nature can teach us about God’s will for creation, and how humans fit into God’s cosmos. We’ll even dare to ask: What is the “end” of the universe and what will it look like?

Book Study: "Discovering the Spiritual Wisdom of Trees" by Beth Norcross and Leah Rampy

There is great wisdom to learn from trees, and when we connect intimately with them, we can deepen our spiritual lives and grow in the understanding that all beings are part of the fabric of the holy. The book discussions will take place weekly at Fairmount Presbyterian Church (and virtually on Zoom) - Monday evenings 6:30 - 8:00pm on April 13, 20, 27, and May 4, 11, and 18. To get the most from this experience, participants are asked to attend at least 3 of the 6 sessions. RSVP by April 6th by scanning the green QR code. Books are available in the church welcome center office for \$20.00 (cash, check or online Realm payment). Books are also available to purchase online. On Wednesday, May 13th Fairmount Presbyterian will welcome author Leah Rampy as the William Birkett Williams lecturer.



Bees, Bugs, and Butterflies: How Pollinators Help the Cuyahoga Region Bloom

Beginning Sunday, April 12th, celebrate Earth Month by visiting *Bees, Bugs & Butterflies*, a photography exhibit featuring six local photographers, located in the chapel hallway and Room 114. Following 11:00am worship on April 12th, photographer Anthony Rodgers will share stories about these vital pollinators, where to find them, and tips for observing and photographing them. Join us after worship in the Chapel. A big thank you to Earth Stewards member Martha Lee for connecting us with this amazing artistic collective!

Faithful Lives Film Series

This year’s Faithful Lives Series sub-theme is *Love is a Many Splendid Thing*. All movies will start here at Fairmount at 6:45pm sharp in the Chapel. Salad, pizza, water and soda will be provided. Attendees should plan on arriving by 6:30pm. The April film is [Sarah's Oil](#).

Women’s Retreat at Fairmount on May 16th

Join us on Saturday May 16th for our Women’s Retreat. We will gather at Fairmount from 9:00am-4:00pm for learning, conversation, brunch, and more. There is a suggested donation of \$25, with scholarships available. Scan the QR code if you are interested in attending or would like more information. Questions - email Pastor Lindsay, lindsay@fpccle.org. Note: Suggested donation of \$25 can be made to the church office by cash or check (made out to Fairmount Presbyterian Church, with “Women’s Retreat” in the memo line), or online through Realm, our secure online giving platform - <https://onrealm.org/FairmountPresby/give/womensretreat>

