

Sunday, May 24, 2026

9:00am Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal in Undercroft

10:00am Worship in the Sanctuary and Online

11:00am Sisterhood of Service Planning Meeting in Chilcote Room

This Sunday we also celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost!

Summer Worship Begins!

Summer Worship will be held Sundays at 10:00am in the Sanctuary and online through September 6th. We look forward to worshipping together as one church family this summer.

Fairmount Music Ministries

Tuesday, June 9th--An Evening of Music with Sarah James, musical artist and vocalist with a wide repertoire of rock, pop, classics, and standards. She is the winner of the Best Music Video, LGBTQ, Toronto and Los Angeles Film Festival, 2026. The event will take place on the side lawn of the church from 6:00pm-7:30pm. Bring a picnic supper to enjoy on the lawn (some outdoor seating will be available). In case of rain, the event will be held indoors.

Summer Choir--save the dates. June 21st and August 30th. 9:20am rehearsal then sing for 10:00am worship.

The Spirituals Project- 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. Quarter 2 funds raised support the **Karamu House**. Founded in 1915, it is the oldest producing African-American theater in the United States. Scan the QR code to make a donation.



Fairmount Happenings

Spirituality in Nature Walk

The next Spirituality in Nature Group (SING) walk will be on **Tuesday, May 26th, 6:30pm-8:45pm** at Acacia Reservation in Beachwood. We will meet in the picnic/grassy area on the other side of the shelter from the parking lot. Dress for the weather and bring what you'd like (that you don't mind carrying): notebook, binoculars, water bottle, camera, etc. We will be on ADA accessible trails. This is a slow, contemplative walk that is best suited for adults and teens. RSVP to Alycia at ashburnlrc@gmail.com.

Join Fairmount on the 38th Annual Walk for Hunger and 5k Run on Saturday, May 30th

The walk is at Cleveland Metroparks Zoo (3900 Wildlife Way, Cleveland 44109) with a 7:15am Check In, 9:00am Walk. Your participation in the Walk for Hunger helps provide thousands of meals to families across Northeast Ohio. To join our Fairmount Team, scan the blue QR code. If you have any questions, contact Pete McWilliams at peteandgreet51@gmail.com.



WAMWAO Action May 30th in Youngstown

Many of our immigrant neighbors in NE Ohio who are detained by ICE are sent to the Northeast Ohio Correctional Center (NEOCC) in Youngstown. Despite the policy that states clergy are allowed to visit detainees at any time by coordinating with the chaplain's office, many clergy from our community (including Pastor Ryan) have been repeatedly denied access to visit their own members in prison. On Saturday, May 30th at 1:00pm, people of faith from Cleveland and Youngstown will hold a peaceful demonstration outside the entrance to NEOCC to make public our demand for open clergy visitation. Please sign up by scanning the QR code to join the day of action, and share this opportunity with other neighbors.



North Presbyterian Church Art Auction & Music Concert

Join us on **Saturday, May 30, from 5:00pm-7:00pm** for an evening supporting local artists and urban ministry. North's sanctuary will be transformed into an art gallery, music hall, and silent auction space, with proceeds benefiting the music ministries of North Presbyterian Church. Light refreshments will be served. North Church is located at 4514 Superior Ave. Cleveland, 44103.

Please RSVP at www.northpresbyterianchurch.org. Donations of food or paper goods are greatly appreciated, including appetizers, wraps, chips, fruit and vegetable trays, iced tea, and paper products. For questions or to coordinate a donation, please contact Melanie Alban at melaniealban828@gmail.com.

March in Pride in the CLE with FPC on Saturday, June 6th!

God is Love... Love is Love! Stand in solidarity with the local "queerly beloved" community and join the LGBT Community Center of Greater Cleveland 2026 "Pride in the CLE" march on Saturday, June 6th at 10:00am. To register and learn more, scan the purple QR code. Kate McFadden, Director of Youth & Young Adult Faith Formation, will contact participants before the event with instructions and details. Please note, Pride in the CLE is a foot march--wheelchairs and other mobility devices are welcome. Questions? Contact kate@fpcCLE.org.



Save the Date for Strawberry Festival, Sunday, June 7th!

Join us after worship on June 7th for strawberries and fellowship. All are invited to attend and bring a friend to enjoy a summer kick off celebration! And yes, the Rocket Car will be there!

Income Inequality With David Lay Williams - June 24th, 6:30pm at the Community of St. Peter

The Community of St. Peter *Informed Voter Series* continues on June 24th at 6:30pm with a presentation on income inequality by David Lay Williams of DePaul University. According to the Federal Reserve, America's top 1% held 32% of total U.S. wealth in late 2025, while the bottom 50% held just 2.5%, highlighting a dramatic decline in economic equality since 1965. Dr. Williams, author of *The Greatest of All Plagues*, will explore how economic inequality has shaped political philosophy throughout history and why it remains one of society's most pressing challenges. The event will take place at the Community of St. Peter located at 7100 Euclid Avenue, Suite 125. RSVP at communityofstpeter.org/events.

Sunshine at Work

From January through April, Fairmount's solar panels helped our church avoid \$2,270 in overall electricity cost.

- From January through April 2025, Fairmount was billed \$5,945 for 30,993 Kwh.
- From January through April 2026, the solar panels generated 10,124 Kwh; most was used immediately at Fairmount, and some was sent back for a credit to the grid. First Energy billed Fairmount for a total of 24,351 Kwh used (6,642 Kwh less than in 2025).
- January through April 2026, Fairmount paid a total cost of \$3,675

Since the system was activated on July 3, 2025, Fairmount's solar panels have produced more than **38 MWh** of clean electricity – the equivalent of driving **66,900 miles on sunshine** while preventing nearly **58,900 pounds of CO₂ emissions** from entering the atmosphere. Thank you to everyone who helped make this project possible as we continue caring for both our church resources and God's Creation.