



Sunday, October 18, 2026

8:30am Worship in the Chapel
9:00am Fairmount Bell Choir Rehearsal in the Undercroft
9:00am Soul Shop for Congregations
11:00am Worship in the Sanctuary and Online
12:15pm Youth Ensemble Rehearsal in Undercroft

Children are invited to Come to the Table at 8:30am

As part of our spiritual focus this year, we are working to make certain that Fairmount is offering everyone an invitation to the table. As a first step in this process, a Prayground has been added to the chapel. A Prayground is a space designated for young children to play quietly while they engage in worship in age appropriate ways. Stop by and take a look!

We want to see YOUR table!

As we begin this next chapter in this year's series, we need your help - please email or bring pictures of your table to Pastor Lindsay (lindsay@fpccle.org). That might be a beautifully spread Christmas dinner table, or your dining room table covered in art supplies and yesterday's water glasses! Maybe it's a picnic table you often sit at, or your kitchen table, or maybe your table at your favorite restaurant. We want them all! We will be creating a display in the welcome center and want to make sure your table is a part of it!

Explore Fairmount

Are you interested in learning more about Fairmount and what being a "member" really means? Join us for a **no-obligation conversation** on Sunday, November 1st, after worship. **We promise there won't be a time-share presentation.** Scan the QR code to learn more and let us know you are interested.



Music Ministries

CityMusic Cleveland Chamber Orchestra in concert at Fairmount on **Thursday, October 22nd at 7:30pm** in a program called American Roots with John McLaughlin Williams, conductor, Yaron Kohlberg, piano, and David Balakrishnan, violin.

Our next **Rush Hour Concert** is on **Tuesday, October 27th at 5:30 pm** with the Cleveland Winds, Birch Browning, conductor.

Spirituals Project 4th Quarter Update

Thanks to everyone who has donated so far to this project. To date we have raised \$4,700.00 for three organizations that support black musicians in The Arts. For the fourth quarter your donations will support The Cleveland School of the Arts, the region's only comprehensive performing and visual and creative arts public high school. The bulletin board outside the sanctuary contains complete details about this ongoing project. Scan the QR code to make a donation.



Fairmount Happenings

Faith-Based Suicide Prevention Trainings

Over the summer, Lisa Nester became a certified trainer for the *Soul Shop Movement*, a faith based program that helps equip church members and leaders with the skills necessary to minister to those affected by suicidal desperation. She will be leading a training workshops in the coming months and all are invited to attend - mark your calendars.

- Saturday, November 7th from 8:30am-4:00pm - *Soul Shop* for Church Leaders, a full day training designed for those in positions of leadership in the church but open to all. FREE, but registration is required. Scan the QR code to register.



Congregational Meeting to Elect Officers on Sunday, October 25th

Your 2026 Nominating Committee (co-chaired by Elders Peg Zitzner and Susan Wherley) has been hard at work these past few months discerning candidates for Elder, Deacon, Endowment Trustee, and At-Large Nominating Committee members beginning terms on January 1, 2027. There are paper copies of the full slate on nominees for each office with photos and bios on the table leading into Sanctuary from Andersen Hall.

Turn Up the Vote!

On Sunday, October 25th, from 1:00pm to 4:00pm at Playhouse Square Plaza, you're invited to a free community celebration of our right to vote. This experience includes live DJs (including a line dance set), corn hole, a giant Connect Four game, and watching the Cleveland Browns take on the Tennessee Titans on the big screen. We're going to have a community vision board on which we'll ask people what they want for their neighborhoods and why showing up at the polls is how we get there. We're also going to have resources for people to make plans to vote: early voting info, Election Day details, and answers to their questions. Everyone is welcome, and we are not supporting or opposing any candidate, party, or ballot issue. Partners are Beloved Cleveland, Buckeye Veterans Coalition, and Project HALO.

Fairmount on the scoreboard!

What better way to practice being in community with our neighbors than to come to a Heights vs. Shaker football game on October 23rd! The game begins at 7:00pm at Heights High. You can get tickets by scanning the QR code. And as a bonus, thanks to a generous donation, you'll get to see Fairmount's name in lights on the scoreboard, along with a video inviting people to learn more about Fairmount! Plus, who doesn't also love cheering on a marching band, especially when we have Fairmount kids in them! You don't want to miss it!



Fairmount's Little Food Pantry – Thanksgiving Donation Drive

Fairmount's Little Food Pantry continues to serve many families in our community and we need YOUR help! During this season of Thanksgiving, let's come together and live into communion to support our community through donations to our Little Food Pantry. Throughout the month of **November**, we will be collecting **non-perishable food** and **personal care items**. Please place all donation items in the bins located on the stage in Anderson Hall. **Suggested donation items include:** Cereal, Boxed milk, Canned vegetables and fruit, Peanut butter, Jelly, Soups, Shampoo, Deodorant, Diapers.

Your kindness and generosity help make a real difference. Thank you for your continued support!

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings at Fairmount on Fridays, 7:00pm–8:30pm

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meets in Fairmount's Dining Room on Fridays from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Frank Socha or Pete McWilliams, peteandgreet51@gmail.com.

Community Events

North Church Comes to the Table

On Sunday, October 4, Fairmount Presbyterian Church invited our friends at North Church to *Come to the Table* where Love and Friendship dwelled. Many thanks for these 19 members who helped to provide the awesome Lunch: Wrean Fiebig, Kathryn/Ed Akucewich, Tuni/Lee Chilcote, Joanne Westin, Peg/John Zitzner, Gina Kashuk and family, Jim/Karen Dakin, Steve Chapman, Jerry Parker, Carol Adrine, Ben Sperry/Susan Kent, Nikki/Sarah Monah and Donna Sens. We worked to make a difference and stood up where All Are Welcomed.

Save the Date! Reducing Costs and Pollution: Moving to Solar and Minimizing Electricity Usage Sunday, November 15th , 1:30pm to 3:30pm at Fairmount

The Earth Stewards will hold a discussion about solar panel installations throughout Northeast Ohio. Mike Foley, administrator of Cuyahoga County Green Energy, will share his extensive experience with solar panels and micro-grids throughout the region. Others from Cleveland Owns, Fairmount, and St. Dominic's will also discuss their solar panel installation projects. Fairmount will present their 15-year project to reduce electricity use, costs, and carbon emissions. Join us for an afternoon to learn about the progress being made in Northeast Ohio around environmental and economic stewardship.