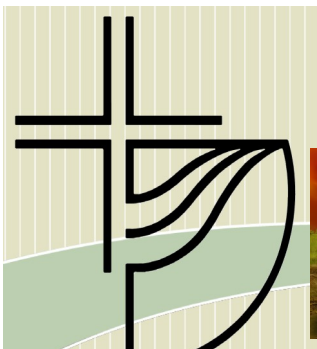




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Fairview Church of the Brethren Newsletter

Three Bibles Given Out

Lincoln Brinegar, Astrid Mason and Aashten Yerington received a Bibles. We are praying they wear them out reading them, and getting to know God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit and so many much more that God has in His Word.

Dale and Alice Brinegar prayed for them and their getting to know God better.

They all brought them to Children's Church and were in them!



Pastor Appreciation

We are so blessed to have Pastor Bart VerEllen and Trish! October was Pastor Appreciation month. Bart was caught by surprise with this gift from our church family.



Favored Women Conference

in Branson, MO registration is coming up. Let Ashley Brinegar know if you plan to go.



Harvest Meal

Thank you to all that prepared the meal and those that came or grabbed it to go and enjoyed it!

\$1. 224 was donated and will help woman attend the Favored Women Conference .

November Mission

Collecting socks for Nursing Homes

Fun, fuzzy, with grip, warm or just plain beautiful



November Birthday's

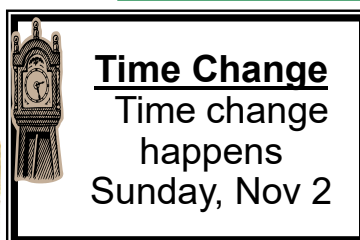
5—Vicki Pace

11—Ellie Quimby

21—Camden Muszynski

November Anniversaries

13 Josh & Tiffany Quimby





Hangin' of the Greens

We'll be meeting Sunday, November 23, following worship to decorate the church. Carry in meal of soup & finger foods. Great way to start the Christmas season. Hope you can come! It is always fun!



We will have 120 shoeboxes at church. You are invited to come and help put them together Saturday, November 15 at 9:00. They will be prayed for November 16.



Virgil Siever's 90th Birthday Party

Virgil was very surprised by his birthday party at Muszynski's. A great time was had by all! Thank you to all that came and celebrated Virgil!



Possible Meal Delivery

Homestead in Centerville makes and delivers hot noon meals to folks in Appanoose County. The cost is a bit under \$10 per meal and rural folks can get delivery Monday through Friday. Centerville

folks can get delivery 7 days a week. The hot meal is delivered right to the door with no delivery fee. One can choose what day(s) they would like to have a meal delivered. It's like Meals on Wheels and as long as it's not snowy, they'll deliver to folks who live on a gravel road. If you know someone who needs a meal in the Moulton, Udell, or Unionville area they could sign up. Jenn at Homestead 641-437-1999 is the person to call. Billing is at the end of the



FAIRVIEW FALL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA 11/2/25

Scripture and Prayer

Minutes (presented prior to meeting)

Treasurer's Report

Board Report

Pastor's Report

Deacons Report

Commissions Reports: Nurture and Witness

Stewards

BUSINESS:

1. CONFIRM DEAN AND EMILY PENNERAS DEACONS FOR 3 MORE YEARS.

2. RECOMMENDATION FROM CHURCH BOARD REGARDING BART'S ORDINATION. (It has been found that 11 of the churches in the Northern Plains District of the COB do not have Pastors that were ordained through the Church of the Brethren. Our Constitution states that he should work towards being licensed by the COB but after further consideration the Deacons and the Board agreed that his Ordination through the ASSOCIATION OF FUNDAMENTAL MINISTERS AND CHURCHES or AFMC was sufficient and that it be brought to the Council to allow him to retain his Ordination through AFMC and not require him to become credentialed through the COB as required in our Constitution).

3. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CHURCH BOARD TO INCREASE PASTOR BART'S SALARY BY 10%

4. PROPOSED 2026 BUDGET

5. SLATE OF OFFICERS:

A. STEWARD – ZACH MASON- 2029

B. NURTURE/WITNESS ASSISTANT- CANDE BATTERSON

C. CALLING COMMITTEE – MARY CLARK- 2029

D. HEAD USHER- TRISH VERELLEN- 2026

a. ASSISTANT USHER- DARRELL KOEHLER- 2026

E. DISTRICT CONFERENCE DELEGATE- CANDE BATTERSON –2027

DISTRICT CONFERENCE DELEGATE:

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS?

ADJOURN WITH PRAYER

These are in preparation for the Fall Council Meeting coming up this Sunday with a carry in meal.

Please read through all of these. Feel free to bring your questions with you Sunday.

We are really hoping many will stay to know what is going on in our church.



Fairview Church of the Brethren

Fall Council

November 3, 2024

Moderator, Dale Brinegar opened the meeting with scripture reading from Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 and prayer.

The **minutes** from the November 12, 2023 Council meeting, and the July 14th, 2024 Special Council meeting were passed out to church members prior to this meeting along with written reports from the Church Board, the Deacon's, the Nurture/Witness Committee, and the Steward Committee. Alice Brinegar made a motion, seconded by Ashley Brinegar, to accept those reports as presented. Motion carried. A summary of the reports are:

Deacon's Report

- They sent several sympathy cards and memorials were given to three families in the loss of their loved ones. A memorial service was held in remembrance of loved ones lost in the last year.
- Five new members were joyfully welcomed into the church and four little girls were dedicated.
- Four young people were given Bibles, two new drivers were gifted key chains, and one retiree was recognized.
- The Deacon's gather joys and concerns on a weekly basis, write a synopsis of the morning service for those unable to attend, and encourage prayer for a person or couple from the congregation each week.
- They anointed several individuals, and presented a blanket and check to a local family with an ailing child.
- Cards are sent for birthdays and other life events.
- Communion was held four times.
- They hosted a Friendship Dinner in May.

Nurture/Witness Report

- Nurture events included:
 - Hosted youth game nights including an all church bowling party and a service project making lasagna for Lasagna Love. Took some youth to Winter Jam and to a Casting Crowns concert.
 - The men meet monthly for Bible study and breakfast, and the ladies had an opportunity to attend Favored Women and a few women's gatherings at church.
 - Gifted carnations to the ladies on Mother's Day, and muffins and ink pens to the men on Father's Day.
 - Hosted an ice cream social and variety show in conjunction with the VBS program, as well as two grab-and-go dinners and a bake sale held as fundraisers.
 - A 12 week Bible study was led by Pastor Terry Chapman.
- Witness events included:
 - Partnered with Iowa Food Bank on a monthly basis.

- Other outreach activities included tying blankets for “Project Linus”, collecting quarters for “Heifer International, collecting food donations for the Lord’s Cupboard, collecting monetary donations for the Moulton-Udell back to school bash, collecting tee-shirts to make jump ropes for shoeboxes, and collecting items and monetary donations for the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes.
- Several individuals routinely volunteer their time to work at the Lord’s Cupboard.
- Looking ahead, the Committee will be accepting donations of deer meat that will be processed and given to the Lord’s Cupboard.

Steward Report

- Church maintenance:
 - Selix Lawn Care provided snow removal and landscaped around the fence by the parking lot to make mowing easier.
 - Hayes Tree Service trimmed trees at the church at no charge. A thank you card and gift certificate was sent to them.
 - Chris Muszinski replaced the faucets in the fellowship hall.
 - Don Hunt did work on the sound system and ran new wiring to the amp in the fellowship hall.
 - The playground was completed and dedicated.
 - Baty’s Electric installed ceiling fans in the fellowship hall and office, and a ceiling light in the women’s restroom.
 - The Zach Mason family provided lawn mowing this past summer.
 - The church was pressure washed and the back door was repaired.
 - The new entry and foyer doors will be installed soon. There are plans to redo the entry floor when the weather permits.
 - Gravel will be added to the main parking lot to help smooth it out and they plan to gravel the west side of the overflow parking lot.
 - Materials have been ordered for new closet doors in the fellowship hall. They will be installed this winter.
 - New ceiling fans will be installed in the preschool room and nursery.
 - The lighting in the parking lot is not adequate. McGill Electric has given an estimate of \$3,000 to put a pole by the green fence with a spot light that can be turned on with a light switch
- Farm
 - Beans were planted on the church farm and have been harvested. They were hauled to Troy Elevator in Blakesburg by Rick Probasco at no charge. A thank you note and gift certificate was sent.
 - The church hay was baled and purchased by Dale Brinegar.
 - Corn will be planted on the church farm in 2025.

Treasurer’s Report by Cindy Koehler

Cindy went over the report explaining how the report is structured and stated the church is financially sound. Dale Brinegar made a motion, seconded by Dean Penner to accept the treasurer’s report as presented. Motion passed. A copy of the report is on file.

Business

- 1) The proposed 2025 **Church Board Slate and Deacons** were presented to Council for approval.
 - a) Moderator – Dale Brinegar (2028)
 - b) Witness/Nurture – Louise Ingram (2028)
 - i) Assistant Witness/Nurture – Cande Batterson (2025)
 - c) Usher – Landon Brinegar (2025)
 - i) Assistant Usher – Darrell Koehler (2025)
 - d) Deacons – Alice and Dale Brinegar (2028)
 - e) District Conference Delegate – unfilled (2025-2026) *Note – after the meeting Cande Batterson and Tiffany Muszinski volunteered to be delegates.*
 - f) Annual Conference Delegate – unfilled (2025)

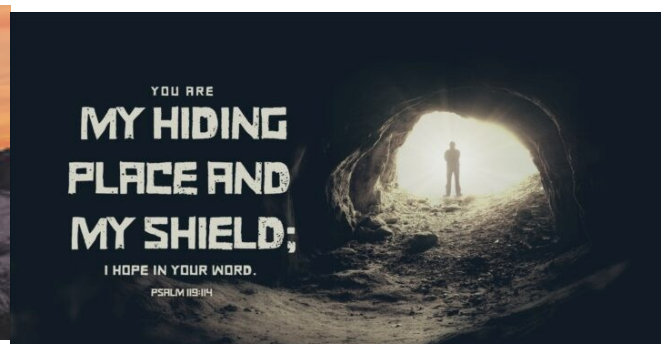
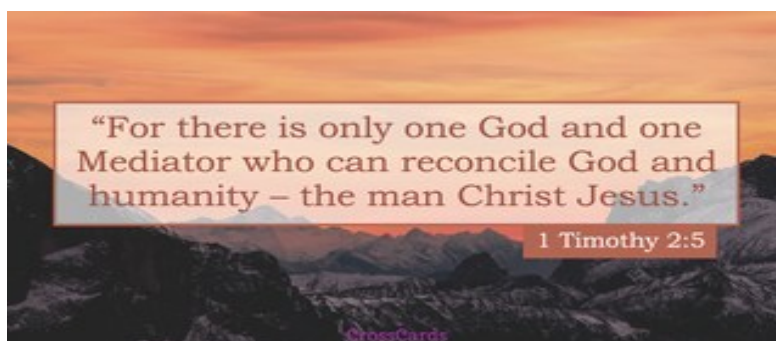
Tiffany Muszinski moved, seconded by Ashley Brinegar to accept the slate of officers and deacons. Motion passed.

- 2) The Church Board brings the recommendation to **call Barton VerEllen as part-time pastor** at Fairview. Dale Brinegar made a motion, seconded by Darrell Koehler, to accept four absentee ballots. Motion passed. After the paper ballots were tabulated, it was found that with an over 75% favorability vote as required by the church constitution, Bart was extended the invitation to pastor Fairview.
- 3) Bethany Seminary has a program, Certificate of Achievement in Ministry Studies (CAMS) that is a six course program designed to provide a means for ministers new to the Church of the Brethren to complete coursework focused on Brethren identity and ministry. Alice Brinegar made a motion, seconded by Dean Penner, to pay \$550 towards the cost of the CAMS program for anyone from the congregation interested in pursuing this study. Motion passed.
- 4) The **2025 proposed budget** was presented by Cindy Koehler. With no changes requested from church members, Dean Penner made a motion, seconded by Ashley Brinegar, to accept the 2025 proposed budget as presented. Motion passed.

With no further business, Ashley Brinegar made a motion, seconded by Ryan Brinegar to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Bart VerEllen thanked the congregation for the opportunity to be Fairview's next pastor and dismissed the meeting with prayer.

Blessings,

Vickie Mason, Clerk



THANK YOU from Greta Ogden

I am very grateful and thankful for the love everyone has shared with me since my recent accident.

My Faith in our Heavenly Father has been with me and your prayers are appreciated.

Thank you to my Church family, family, friends, community and Care Center for your love.

New Address:

Greta Ogden
Centerville Nursing & Rehab Center
1208 E. Cross
Centerville, Ia. 52544

Please come to see me. Praying I will be home soon.

Love,

Greta Ogden

Greta Ogden



Times and more information about these events is on the calendar

Important Upcoming Dates

Online Bible Study Wednesday's

Saturday, November 1 **Women Gathering** at Cindy Koehler's

Sunday, November 2 **Fall Council & Potluck**

Thursday, November 6 **Iowa Food Bank packages**

Sunday, November 9 **Darrell Koehler and Ashley Brinegar** sing at Second Baptist Church in Centerville

Week of November 17 **Volunteer at Centerville Lord's Cupboard**

Saturday, November 21 **Youth Game Night**

Sunday, November 23 After Worship Finger Food lunch and then **Hanging of the Greens**

Thursday, November 27 **Thanksgiving**



Fairview Church

November 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 2 Tune Change (turn clocks back) 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship Message by Pastor Bart VerEllen Fall Council Potluck lunch following	Pray daily for Jason & Kayla Wais and Sheldon Church in Sheldon, IA 3 Pray daily for Hoyt Wais and the Peace Church in Council Bluffs, IA	 4	5 7:00 Online Bible Study	6 Food Bank of IA Packs — Pack 11:30-3:30 Pick up 3:30—5 	 7	1 Fall Women's Gathering 9:00 a.m. – 11 at Cindy Koehler's Bring a brunch dish to share and friends
 9 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship Message by Pastor Bart VerEllen 6:00 Darrell & Ashley at Centerville old Baptist Church	10 Pray daily for Jerry and Jerod Powell and the Church of the Brethren in Ankeny, IA 11	12 7:00 Online Bible Study	13 	14	15 7:30 a.m. MEN'S BREAKFAST  9:00 Packing Christmas Shoeboxes All Welcome!	8 
16 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship Message by Pastor Bart VerEllen Dedicating Shoe Boxes 	17 Pray daily for Patty Powell and Linda Shields , and English River Church in South English, IA . 18	19 7:00 Online Bible Study 	20	21 Youth Game Night 5:30—8 	22	29 
23 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship Message by Dustin Lawson Finger food & soup potluck Then Hanging of the Greens 30 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship Message by Pastor Bart VerEllen	24 Pray daily for Mary Shirley and Josh & Tiffany Quimby , and the Hillcrest Baptist Brethren Church in	25	26	27  Thanks Giving Day!	28	

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