

NEWSFLASH

JULY 2025

*Happy
Independence
Day
July 4*

*Blessed
is the Nation whose God is
Lord*

Psalm 33:12



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ELDERS

Harry Harris (Chairman)

Roger Brown

Fred Holland Paul Cook

Jerry Benware

DEACONS

Chairman: Michael Bolter

Vice Chairman: John Keeler

Secretary: Bernie Gattozzi

Bill McAlister

Billy Simpson

Carl Roberts

Dave York

Duane Gipe

Gerald Raver

Glenn Kelly

Greg Domsic

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John Kase

Jerry Maddox

Larry Lambert

Lou Delucio

Mickey Smith

Mike Waters

Paul Bushman

Paul Wertz

Richard Parker

Rick Langford

Rick McKinney

Tom Baggerly

Tom Ross

FAIRWAY SCORE CARD

June Averages

New Members since January 1, 2025 = 39

Avg Worship Attendance (5 wks) = 714

(4 Week Avg. for June 2024 = 653)

Online Worship Attendance (5 wks) = 402

Avg. Offerings Received (5 Wks) = \$ 27,169



Contemporary Services

Saturdays at 6 pm

Sundays at 8:30 am

Traditional Service

Sundays at 10:30 am

Adult Sunday Bible Study

Fellowship Hall

9:00 am & 10:00 am

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday: 8:30 am - 1:00 pm



Women's Creative Card Ministry

1st Thursday of every month, 10 am - 12 pm

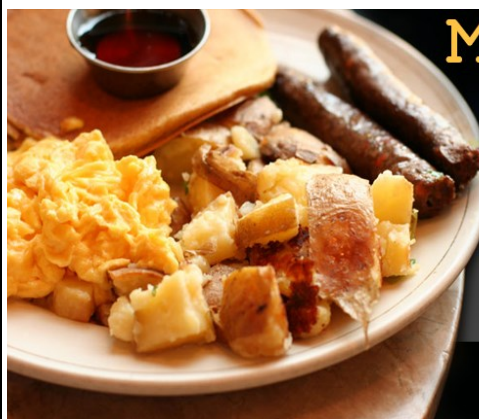
Supplies needed: Cutter, Scissors, and Adhesive.

Supplies are available for newcomers.

Sign up at the Kiosks or website if you plan to attend.

Next: July 3, 2025

Due to the construction, we will not have a Nursery available for May, June & July. We are sorry for any inconvenience.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

GET CONNECTED WITH BROTHERS IN CHRIST

Saturday, July 19, 8:00am

BRING A FRIEND!

Be sure to sign up at one of the kiosks or on our website.

Photos for the Online Church Directory will be taken in the lobby of Door D. Occasionally Saturdays will be announced.



**Next Pictorial Directory opportunity: July 6
9:50-10:20AM**

GRIEF SHARE

You don't have to grieve alone.

Current Session: June 11 - Aug. 27

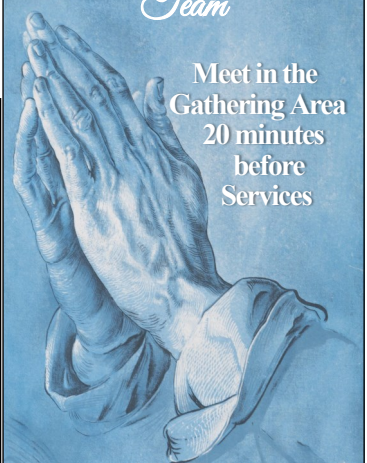
Wednesdays, 2pm—4pm,

If you, a friend, or neighbor have lost a loved one, GriefShare is open to all who are grieving.

Register online at Fairwaycc.org or at a Kiosk in the Gathering Area.

Note: Aug 27 will be double session, 10:30am - 3:30 pm with Lunch included.

Prayer Warrior Team



Meet in the Gathering Area 20 minutes before Services

We are requesting (if possible) that you please carpool or come in your golf cart and park in the grass. This will help with parking during our remodeling.



We are going into the final month of construction and will soon have a beautiful building and parking area with plenty of room for everyone. We appreciate your patience during this process.

★ ★ ★ Celebrate ★ ★ ★
a new chapter at Fairway!

*Join us for our 1st Family Dinner in our new Gathering Hall!
Sunday, August 17th at 12:00 pm*

*Please bring the following:
(Last name beginning with)*

A-H- Side Dish

I-Q - Salad

R-Z - Dessert

*Please bring enough to serve 12 people
Main dish (Ham & Roast Beef) will be provided by the church
Disposable dishes preferred and please do not bring serving utensils*

*Please sign up at the Kiosk or
online at
www.fairwaycc.org*

GOT COFFEE?



All new ladies and familiar faces are invited for coffee, fun and fellowship on **July 2 at 10am in the Fellowship Hall**. Information will be presented about Fairway Women's Ministry opportunities. Join us and make a new friend!.

Don't miss out— sign up now!



Pastor David Miller of Unity Christian Church will have a work day on **July 5**, from 10am—1pm. If you are interested in helping, please contact Pastor David Miller at David@unityccfl.org.

Reminder from the Military

Outreach Ministry –

Military retirees and dependents have until December 31, 2025, to receive a new Next Generation USID card. The old format ID card with an indefinite expiration date will not be accepted after that. If you have questions or need help, call Paul Cook at 703-869-3241.

Save the Date

Women's Retreat
Feb. 19, 2026
9am - 4:30 pm
More information
coming soon!



**VOLUNTEER
NEEDED**



Our Audio/Visual Technical Team is in need of volunteers that are willing to learn and help in the A/V Booth during worship services.

If interested, please call the church to get in touch with the A/V Supervisor, Bill Jenkins.



ELDERS

Elder Meeting Minutes

June 16, 2025

The June Elder's meeting was called to order with the following elders present: Harry Harris, Paul Cook, Jerry Benware, Fred Holland and Roger Brown. Presenters attending: Preaching Minister, Butch Gastfield; Chris Callahan, Church Administrator; Vice-Chairman of the Deacons, John Keeler; and Diana Brown, Directory Update Project Coordinator.

Butch presented the opening meditation and prayer.

The May minutes were accepted and approved.

John Keeler shared that Chris attended the Deacons meeting and gave an update report on the construction. He also mentioned his appreciation for the Elders making themselves available to everyone after the services. The deacons have been very busy over the past several months with the regularly scheduled events and several special events, two funerals and a wedding. Training for the newly added deacons is continuing. John closed by highlighting his excitement about the potential of the new members in our church.

At the request of the elders, Diana Brown presented the project overview, background information and the results of her study for the updating of our church member directory and the associated database. In accordance with the church bylaws, the recommendations to update the directory were approved by the elders. Actions will be implemented immediately to update the current directory by the end of July. The elders agreed to a quarterly review of the directory for contact purposes in conjunction with an annual routine update. The elders thanked Diana for her efforts to develop an orderly and sensitive approach for updating the directory. Chris presented the administrative report. The financial report was reviewed and approved. The Church Administrator reviewed the FORWARD Campaign pledge status and the elders agreed that an update for the congregation will be presented within the next two months. Construction completion is still on track for the end of July with a soft opening for the church tentatively scheduled in mid-August, in preparation for the Grand Opening event in late September. Again, we thank our church members for their flexibility and patience as meeting space availability has been extremely limited for the past month and will be for July also. We continue to stress the importance of everyone being on the lookout for tripping hazards in the areas affected by the construction.

Butch presented the monthly associate ministers' written reports, to include his update on activities since his return from his sabbatical. He has been extremely busy with not only sermon preparation, but a myriad of update and coordination meetings with ministries inside our church, with our church plant and with coordination efforts with churches in the area. The elders expressed their appreciation for Butch's contributions to our church and their pleasure with his constructive return from the sabbatical. In addition, the elders highly praised the accomplishments of our talented and energetic associate ministers in leading our church with distinction during Butch's absence.

Under Old Business, Paul shared details regarding our Missions team trip to Kentucky on June 22, 2025.

Under New Business, discussion centered on concern with the rise of Antisemitism and our role in reviewing opportunities to support efforts concerning this with our missions partners. A request to review our capabilities to offer live stream funeral services to our members was presented. Chris shared that he would work on the details to ensure we can do this as a matter of practice, if requested, and the procedures necessary to ensure privacy and quality of delivery. Chris further stated that we can offer the families a link to share with those who want to see the funeral online if requested in advance. Chris shared we would need to have a waiver signed by the family giving us permission to live stream the service.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Chris.

The next monthly Elders meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2025.



New to Fairway? Would you like to know more about Fairway? We invite you to our **First Step** seminar running four consecutive **Monday evenings from 6 –7 pm. (Meeting room TBD)** Starts Monday, August 4 with Preaching Minister Butch Gastfield. Sign up at the kiosk or online!

Meeting Dates:

August 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY:

A recent review of our Church Membership Directory showed that we had a significant number of inactive members on our rolls. In consideration of our active members privacy, and in accordance with Fairway By-Laws, we are in the process of updating our Directory to include only active Fairway members. Non-members may access information and newsletters on the Fairway website: Fairwaycc.org.

Being a parent is tough and sometimes making ends meet can be a challenge. Through the Clothe-A-Kid program from Love INC, churches are helping parents stretch their clothing dollars. CAK not only helps children dress with confidence, but it also intentionally opens doors for long term connections with families.

Volunteers are paired with a family to help them select the clothing and shoes (following school guidelines) needed. Volunteers also help track the spending of the family while showing the love of Christ to them. This program is only limited by the number of volunteers we have to shop with families.

Invest in a child to shop for Back to School clothing. A \$70 investment from someone like you plus \$10 from the family will allow one child to go shopping with \$80. Like to shop? Interested in sponsoring a child? **Sign up on Fairway's website or call Love INC at 352-245-8774 for more information.**



July 24th and July 31st - Volunteers Needed to Shop @ Khol's in The Villages, Sponsorship Cut Off Date: July 21st



Clothe-a-Kid

DEACONS

This Will Change You

When it comes to serving others, some of us may feel that we are not needed, or perhaps we just don't have anything to offer. When we see others serving, it's easy to think, they've got it covered without my help. But we should each ask ourselves, "What talents, abilities, and desires has God given me to help others and how can I put them to good use?"

Serving others will strengthen your faith. When we serve, we see God work in and through ourselves. We will also get to experience His presence and power in our own lives. As we depend on Him for strength, wisdom, and guidance, it naturally strengthens our faith.

Serving will help you discover a completely new purpose. You may find new things you are good at or what you enjoy. We each have a combination of personality, passions, abilities, and experiences that make us who we are. Use your gifts and talents to serve others and to fulfill the mission He has for you.

Serving brings joy. Serving is not a duty or obligation, but a gift. Serving is a way to build relationships with others, to make a difference, and impact our church and community. Through acts of service, we experience blessings and fulfillment.

Serving will change you. It will help you grow in your faith, and it will bring you joy. When you serve, you follow Him, and you become more like Him. You learn to be humble, put others first, and use your resources and abilities for His glory. Scripture tells us that service is a form of worship. He inspires and empowers us to serve others, and through service, we express our worship.

Fairway urgently needs your help serving with the Parking Lot Ministry, Emergency Response Team, First Impressions Ministry and in many other ways. Find a ministry or a service opportunity that suits your gifts and interests by going to www.fairwaycc.org. Click on Events, Upcoming Events, Ministry Interest Sign Up, or simply use the kiosk at the Guest Services' Desk.

If you don't like computers just call Michael Bolter at 616-745-9699, or the church office at 352-259-9305.

SUNDAY MORNING CARD MINISTRY

Please be sure and stop by the Card Ministry table in the Gathering Hall and sign the beautiful cards that are made each week for those who are ill, grieving, etc. Even though you may not know the person, the cards mean so much to those that receive them knowing their church family is thinking of them.



Our mission at Fairway Christian Church is to GO into our community, SOW the gospel, and GROW disciples to change the world!



"Caregivers Connection"

Friday, July 11

1:30 – 3:00 in the Fellowship Hall

All current and former caregivers are invited to join us, Fri., July 11, to hear Lynn Canale, Fairway's Senior Health and Wellness Advisor, discuss not only the caregiving resources that FCC has to offer, but also, any other area resources that might be of assistance.

Caregivers Connection is a place to share and to be a part of each other's support team. Healing begins when we feel heard.

Won't you join us? Be sure to sign up at one of the Kiosks or online at www.fairwaycc.org.

Women's Ministry Luncheon
"One Nation, One Flag, and One GOD"
Thursday, July 17
11am—1pm | Doors open at 10:30 am
Fellowship Hall
Sign up online or at the kiosk

Sign up for the July 22 special presentation at Fairway by Hands of Mercy Everywhere. Donations for the girls' school clothes and personal incidentals will be collected at the women's luncheon, July 17, and at the H.O.M.E. presentation on July 22. Please come and learn about this special Ministry and sign-up for tours of the facility.



"New Year, New Beginnings, Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow"

Hands of Mercy Everywhere – H.O.M.E.

July 22; 10:00 -12:00 in the Fellowship Hall

Refreshments and light snacks will be provided

Welcome,
New Members

Georgette Ostin



Fairway Women have a Friday exec. golf group. If you would like to join us please sign up at the Kiosk or on our website. We will contact you in an email each week to determine if you want to play on the following Friday and add you to the golf request.

Just a reminder that Event forms must be submitted and approved before a room can be reserved. Event forms can be filled out and submitted via our website. If you have questions, please call Leigh Ann in the office at 352-259-9305.



JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Karen Olsen
- 2 Diana McPeak
- 3 Judi Lyons
Robert Van Winkle
- 4 Harold Ritchie
Linda LaFrance
John Malvin
Elaine Notte
- 5 Janet Suttle
Joe Camden
Donna Beishuizen
- 6 Richard Knutson
- 7 Stephen Callahan
Carole Lamb
- 8 Jerry Benware
- 9 Betty Walters
Sheri Callahan
Jim Crouch
- 10 Jean Ann York
Cheryl Vanderheiden
- 11 Joy Didelot
Ken Zarse
Richard Grabowski
- 12 Joyce Daanen
Sheila Thornburg
Dave York
Dianne Frankel
- 13 Fred Holland
Debi Behm
- 14 Jim German
Rosa Myers
- 15 Jeannie Twaddell
Beverly Comer
Laurie Snow
Tom Frechette
- 16 Roger Brown
Chuck Robinson
Jim Rossi
Barbara Barden
- 17 Teri McArthur
- 18 Darlene Harbeck
Phil Weber
Steve Robie
- 19 Mandy Gastfield Howard
Tom Kroener
Willie Weist
- 20 Ken Munson
- 21 George Downs
- 22 Bob Eaton
- 23 Sue Waller
Deb Miller
Darwin Woods
Carol Schwartzmann

- 24 Elmer Henderson
Loretta Danford
- 25 Kathleen Miller
Debbie Raver
- 26 Moira Hutzler
- 27 Sandy Wiersma
- 28 Frank Sarver
- 29 Gary Thurmond
Terri Cranfill
Beth Kennaugh
- 30 Dorothy Imhoff
Sue Jorg
Edith Glapion
Jim Schimming
Kent Anderson
Tom VanTassel
Pamela Levy
- 31 Tom Walsh
Kim Feller



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Paul & Mary Cook
- 2 Rob & Moira Hutzler
Denny & Fran Cisney
Vaughan & Teresa Atkins
- 3 Ed & Chris Martin
- 4 Gerry & Liz* Dietrich
- 5 Mike & Deb Eberle
- 7 Jim & Cheryl Vanderheiden
- 8 Ken & Sharon Zarse
- 9 Jerry & Josie Jennings
- 11 Ron & Susan Stauffer
Bernie & Pat Gattozzi
- 12 Joe & Diane Boisvert
- 15 Don & Sue Jorg
Steve & Kim Feller
- 18 Charles & Jane Shatzer
- 20 Sheila & Bruce* Beehler
- 23 Laura & Gale* Gleason-Knull
George & Lynn Poodiack
- 28 Dave & Sue Agnew
Rick & Peggy McKinney
Jim & Carol Watson
- 29 Thomas & Doris* Glapion
Jim & Marla Wicht
- 30 Karla & John* Coley
Darwin & Diana Woods
- 31 Herb & Liz Lutz

*May your special day be filled with
Love, Blessings & Joy*



MOAMI Moving On Ministry for Women in Change or Transition

**The next MOAMI Class begins on
Thursday September 11 and ends on
November 13.**

MOAMI is a program for women from all walks of life, regardless of church membership or background. It offers a space for women to gain tools and advice for managing transitions, connect with others in similar situations, and receive spiritual enrichment.

MOAMI is about meeting new people; and more importantly, it's about forging lasting connections. Each week, participants come together not only to discuss their journeys but to uplift and encourage one another. For many, the relationships formed in MOAMI extend beyond the program, creating a supportive network that lasts long after the ten weeks are over.

If you or someone you know is navigating a life change, Fairway Christian Church invites you to be part of this warm, welcoming community. To participate in the **MOAMI program**, visit the Fairway Christian Church website or contact the church office at (352) 259-9305.

For personal inquiries, reach out to Kitty McIntire via email at kittymcintire@aol.com.

Connecting Hearts weekly activities:

Monday: 1PM
Lady Lake Senior Living

Monday: 3PM
Cypress Care Assisted Living

Wednesday: 1PM
The Springs Assisted Living

Wednesday: 2PM Bible Study at Watercrest Assisted Living

Sunday: 1:30PM
Watercrest Assisted Living

Contact Lissa Cline for more information




Visit our website at
fairwaycc.org for more
information.



**Do you enjoy playing Pickleball?
Come play....**

**Mondays at Moyer Rec. Ctr., 2 pm
Thursdays at Pimlico Rec. Ctr., 3 pm**



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Office Hours Monday-Thursday 8:30am - 4:30pm Friday 8:30am - 1:00pm Worship Services Contemporary Saturdays at 6pm Sundays at 8:45am Traditional Sundays at 10:30am		1 8 ³⁰ am-Private Mtg.	2 8am-FMS 8 ³⁰ am - Private Mtg. 9 ¹⁵ am - Private Mtg. 10am - WM Fellowship Coffee 2pm-GriefShare	3 9am—Private Mtg. 10am-Creative Card Ministry	4 Office Closed in observance of Independence Day 	5 5 ⁴⁰ pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
6 8am—SonRise Café 8 ²⁵ & 10am—Prayer 8 ⁴⁵ am—Cont. Svc. 9am—Bible Study 9 ⁵⁰ am—Directory Photos 10am—Bible Study 10 ³⁰ am—Trad. Svc.	7 8am- FMS 9am—1st Imp. 9am-Private Mtg.	8 9 am-Private Mtg. 11am-Wm's Adv. Team Mtg. (A) 11 ³⁰ am- MOM Mtg. (B)	9 8am—FMS 9 ¹⁵ am - Private Mtg 2pm -GriefShare	10 9am—Private Mtg. 10am-Tues Bible Study Ldrs Mtg. 3pm—Visitation Mtg	11 8 ³⁰ am—Private Mtg. 12 ³⁰ pm-Wm's Coordinators Mtg. 1 ³⁰ pm-Caregivre's Connection Mtg.	12 5 ⁴⁰ pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
13 8am—SonRise Café 8 ²⁵ & 10am—Prayer 8 ⁴⁵ am—Cont. Svc 9am—Bible Study 10am—Bible Study 10 ³⁰ am—Trad. Svc. 11 ⁴⁵ am-Missions Mtg.	14 8am—FMS 9am—1st Imp. 9am - Elders Mtg.	15 9 am-Private Mtg. 1pm-Private Mtg. 3pm - Men's Ministry Mtg.	16 8am—FMS 9 ¹⁵ am - Private Mtg 11 ³⁰ am-Wm's Lunch Prep (K) 2pm -GriefShare 4 ¹⁵ pm-WM July Lunch Décor.(FH)	17 9am—Private Mtg. 11am-Wm's Luncheon	18 8 ³⁰ am—Private Mtg.	19 8am - Men's Breakfast 5 ⁴⁰ pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
20 8am—SonRise Café 8 ²⁵ & 10am—Prayer 8 ⁴⁵ am—Cont. Svc. 9am—Bible Study 10 ¹⁵ am—Bible Study 10 ³⁰ am—Trad. Svc.	21 8am—FMS 9am—1st Imp.	22 9 am-Private Mtg. 10am-New Year, New Beginnings	23 8am—FMS 8 ³⁰ am - Private Mtg. 9 ¹⁵ am - Private Mtg 2pm -GriefShare 2 ³⁰ pm-Wm's Feb. Team Mtg.	24 9am—Private Mtg. 8am-Wm's Retreat Booklet Mtg.	25 8 ³⁰ am—Private Mtg.	26 5 ⁴⁰ pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
27 8am—SonRise Café 8 ²⁵ & 10am—Prayer 8 ⁴⁵ am—Cont. Svc. 9am—Bible Study 10 ¹⁵ am—Bible Study 10 ³⁰ am—Trad. Svc.	28 8am—FMS 9am—1st Imp.	29 9 am-Private Mtg.	30 8am—FMS 8 ³⁰ am - Private Mtg. 9 ¹⁵ am - Private Mtg 2pm -GriefShare	31 9am—Private Mtg. 11am-Wm's Sept. Mtg.		FMS= Feed My Sheep WM= Women's Ministry MM= Men's Ministry Pickleball Mondays: 2pm Moyer Thursdays: 3pm Pimlico

The church family relies on her members to serve the body so it can function properly. That's why the Holy Spirit gives us gifts. Those gifts are distributed in the church body for a reason. The apostle Paul gives us that reason in Ephesians 4:16, "...As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love." (NLT) Fairway has been blessed with so many of her members who serve joyfully and willingly. As we continue to grow the need for more servants grows. Let me mention a couple areas where I know there is a need.

Gerald Raver leads our Parking Lot ministry team. Gerald is also one of Fairway's many Deacons. We appreciate him and his team so much. Every Sunday morning they put smiles on their faces and assist us in safely parking our cars and golf carts so we can come and worship. Very soon, we hope to have full access once again to the rest of our parking areas that have been off limits through much of our expansion project. To prepare for that and even now, Gerald is in need of additional helpers. This is an especially important ministry for our visitors who show up each weekend. If you're on this ministry team you may very well be the first contact a visitor will have with Fairway Christian Church! You have an opportunity to make a positive impression and one that could be key in helping that visitor become a member! If this ministry position is something you would like to explore – call the church office and Mary Fancher, our receptionist would be happy to get you in touch with Gerald Raver.

Another need for volunteers is our Audio/Visual ministry team. Bill Jenkins does a wonderful job of leading this team of skilled volunteers who "make things happen" each week in our worship service. With our expansion project comes a lot of new, high-tech equipment that will require additional volunteers. Prior experience is not needed, but a willingness to learn is paramount! Bill is a wonderful team leader who will make sure you get trained properly and are comfortable serving in whatever capacity you choose to serve in. As each member does their part Fairway will continue to be an exciting, joyful, and healthy church body that is striving to fulfill her mission to make disciples of Jesus!

Your preacher, Butch