



Ministry Staff

PREACHING MINISTER

Butch Gastfield

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

Michael Coppock

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

Bob Harris

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

Tom Beckner

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

Jim Jacobs

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Chris Callahan

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ELDERS

Harry Harris (Chairman)

Roger Brown

Fred Holland

Paul Cook

Jerry Benware

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Chairman: Michael Bolter

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Mickey Smith

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Paul Bushman

Rick McKinney

Greg Domsic

Lou Delucio

Dave York

John Alessandrine

FAIRWAY SCORE CARD

March Averages

New Members since January 1, 2025 = 30

Avg Worship Attendance (5 wks) = 808

(4 Week Avg. for March 2024 = 997)

Online Worship Attendance (5 wks) = 374

Avg. Offerings Received (5 Wks) = \$ 30,124

Worship Services

Contemporary

Saturdays at 6 pm

Sundays at 8:30 am

Traditional

Sundays at 10:30 am

Adult Sunday Bible Study

Classroom C-D

9:00 am & 10:00 am

Office Hours

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

Friday: 8:30 am - 1:00 pm



MAH JONGG

Every Monday, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm

Classroom C

Welcome

New Members

Larry & Karen Gooding
Glenbrook

Ed Johnson
Inverness

John & Becky Knapek
Mira Mesa

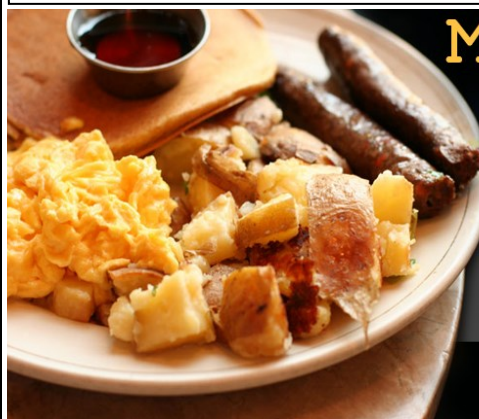
Chris & Cindy Eversole
Caroline

Lance & Kim Farmer
Santiago

Dianne Jenkins
Villa Veldez

Nora Barker
Country Club Hills

Carol Young
Harbor Hills



MEN'S BREAKFAST

GET CONNECTED WITH BROTHERS IN CHRIST

Saturday, April 19, 8:00am

BRING A FRIEND!

Guest Speaker: Pastor Billy Arment

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: April 6
9:50-10:20AM**

GRIEF SHARE

You don't have to grieve alone.

Current Session: Feb. 19-May 7

Wednesdays, 2pm—4pm,

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

May 7 will be double session, 10:30am - 3:30 pm
with Lunch included.



*Creative
Card
Ministry*

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: April 3, 2025
Fellowship Hall**

PRAY FOR



ISRAEL

To ensure that your giving is properly credited, please
make sure to print your first and last name on your
offering envelope and notate what you want your
donation applied too. (General, Missions, Forward,
Forward Phase 2, etc.)

*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.*



Prayer Warrior Team

Meet in the Counseling Rm. 20 minutes before Services

SPRING 2025 TEACHING CALENDAR

Sunday

3/30 through 4/27

9:00 am - Paul Cook, *"One of the Least Read Books of the Bible: Finding Jesus in Leviticus"*

10:00 am - Dan Smith, *"Vanishing Virtues: Biblical Word Studies"*

Wednesday Evening Discipleship Hour

3/19 through 4/16 (5-weeks)

6:00 pm - Jim Jacobs, *What Made Jesus Mad* (Tim Harlow, author)

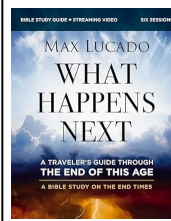
4/23 through 5/21 (5-weeks)

6:00 pm - Michael Coppock, *Stories Behind the Songs*

Wednesday Men's Bible Study

3/19 through 4/16 (5 weeks)

8:00 am - Fred Holland, *Dare to be Uncommon* (Tony Dungy, author)



Women's Upcoming Bible Study

Tuesday mornings; 9:00 - 11:00 am
May 6 - June 17

"What Happens Next"

By Max Lucado

A Traveler's Guide Through The End Of This Age

Sign up by April 20th to have a book ordered

Women's Precept Bible Study

May 6-May 20

9:00 am or 12:30 pm for PUP

9:00 am for In & Out

Precept Study of "Ruth"

Sign up by April 13th to have a book ordered

EASTER Weekend
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FAIRWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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FRIDAY, APRIL 18 @ 5:00 PM
Good Friday Worship Service

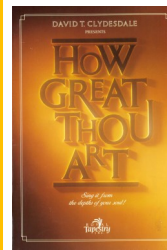
SATURDAY, APRIL 19 @ 6:00 PM
Contemporary Worship Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 20 @ 8:30 AM
Contemporary Worship Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 20 @ 10:30 AM
Traditional Worship Service

Fairway
CHRISTIAN CHURCH
WHERE TRUTH & LOVE CONNECT

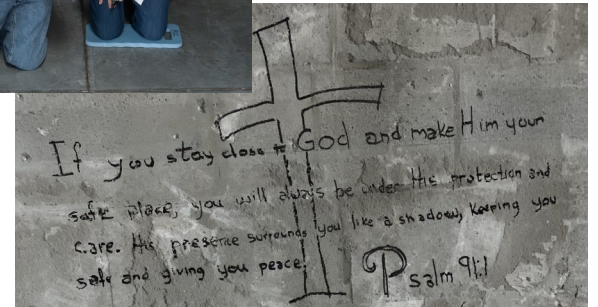
CHOIR NEWS FROM MICHAEL COPPOCK:



The Easter musical this year will be *"How Great Thou Art,"* arranged by David Clydesdale. This classic musical features songs such as "Via Dolorosa," "God So Loved the World," and of course the title song. The musical will be presented Palm Sunday weekend, April 11 and 13, at 6:00 PM. You will not want to miss it!

March 16th - Floor Signing Celebration

Everyone had a great time writing their favorite scriptures on the floor of the new Gathering Hall!



DANGER
CONSTRUCTION ZONE
AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY

Please do not enter the construction areas. It is for your safety. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
APRIL 18, 2025; 5:00 PM

Hello everyone. I want to give an update on the Unity church plant. In addition to our current Wednesday night Bible studies, we have started having Sunday services for the launch team and anyone else who joins us on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 11:00 am. We have an afternoon service in downtown Leesburg on the third Sundays of the month called 'Worship on the Water' from 4:00 to 5:30 at the Venetian Gardens.

Our **launch date** was pushed back to the month of **August** (Lord willing) due to having new funds coming in to renovate the building. We will be installing all new equipment for the audio and visual needs. The Worship Center will receive fresh paint, and signage will be installed.

We currently have 8 children consistently attending the Wednesday night kid's classes, and as many as 12 on one of those days. There are 3 ladies that have been cleared for teaching, and a few more that have volunteered but we still need more. Please continue lifting us up in prayer and also consider helping us with our mission.

David Miller, Lead Pastor, (352)724-5399 Office





Please join us for our
Wednesday Night Dinner & Discipleship Hour
April 9, 2025
5:00 p.m. Dinner
6:00 p.m. Study

Menu: Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Veggies, and Dessert
 Please sign up on the kiosk or on our website.



Volunteers Needed

First Impression Ministry has a few openings. If you would be interested in personally greeting first time worshipers (by phone or visitation) and telling them about Fairway, please call the church.



CHURCH GAME NIGHT

Friday, April 4; 6:30 pm in Room C-D
 Bring your favorite game or come learn a new game.
 Bring a few snacks to share.

Note change of weeks for Game & Movie nights this month due to Easter Holiday

MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, April 25
 Refreshments at 6 pm; Movie at 6:30pm
Sabina: Tortured for Christ, The Nazi Years
 No charge - Bring a friend



Join us for this FREE 7-week course designated for family caregivers who assist individuals with dementia, Alzheimer's disease, or cognitive decline.
 Please sign up for this free 7-week course.



SAVVY CAREGIVER CLASS
Mondays, April 7 – May 19
10:00 am to 12:00 pm



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Meets Tuesday Mornings,
 following Ladies Bible Study,
 at 11:00 am in the Library



"Caregivers Connection"

We are very excited to announce a new program for our "unsung heroes", the wonderful and selfless caregivers. The "Caregivers Connection" program is under the umbrella of Senior Health and Wellness. This program is for all **current and former** caregivers in our church. The meeting is

for connecting with each other and sharing hearts, helpful information and prayers.

Happily, we can now announce the first quarterly meeting of "Caregivers Connection". The meeting will be **Friday, April 11th, 2025, from 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall.** (Refreshments will be served.)

If you are interested in attending, please sign up at the kiosk or call the church office (352-259-9305.)

Note from your Church Administrator:

Did you know that you can receive tax benefits through your charitable giving? We encourage you to reach out to your financial advisor and inquire about making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) directly to the church, using assets such as stocks, dividends, IRAs, and more.

IMPORTANT: When sending your contribution, please ensure it includes both your name and the designated fund (General Fund, Missions, or Forward Initiative Building Campaign). You may inform me personally or via email when such a distribution is in progress.

Should you have any questions regarding this opportunity, feel free to contact me at the church office: 352-259-9305.

We extend our sincere gratitude for your love and support of this ministry. Because of your partnership we are able to spread the message of Christ and fulfill our Go-Sow-Grow discipleship mission.

For more information on gifting stocks please contact Chris Callahan or Michael Easter in the church office, (352) 259-9305.

A Time to Reflect and Refresh from the Elders

For the past 13 years Butch Gastfield has been an integral and vital part of the ministry leadership at Fairway Christian Church.

Starting originally in March 2012 as the Associate Minister of Involvement & Outreach he stepped up into the temporary role of Senior Minister when Mark Fessler took ill. In October, 2020 he was selected by the congregation to assume the senior preaching minister position on a full time basis.

He has helped lead Fairway through a number of significant and complex growth periods. He formulated and worked with the Elder Leadership to develop the Go-Sow-Grow vision for the Church.

He developed and championed our Discipleship Programs and along with the church leadership brought them into reality. He recommended to the Eldership the additions of Tom Beckner and Jim Jacobs to our ministerial staff and with them significant new educational and growth programs including the planting of a new church in Leesburg.

Needless to say he has played a significant role in our current building plans.

Butch continues to develop an expanded vision for how Fairway can take advantage of the increased ministry potential provided by the completion of our facility additions.

Because of these exceptional achievements, and knowing the complex challenges we face in the near future, given our tremendous successes, the Eldership has determined that Butch has earned a small amount of personal time to reflect, pray and refresh himself spiritually as we move forward into an exciting future as a growing church. We have full faith that Butch, our church family and our expanding community will benefit by him being afforded time to rest, reflect, and plan for our future. So the Elders have offered him the opportunity for a month long sabbatical starting shortly after Easter Sunday extending through the month of May.

While Sabbatical leaves of this nature may not be in the history of Fairway Church they are common in large churches, Industry and Academic circles. This opportunity will be a long term blessing for him and for Fairway Christian Church.

ELDERS

Elder Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2025

The March Elder's meeting was called to order with the following elders present: Harry Harris, Roger Brown, Paul Cook, Fred Holland and Jerry Benware. Presenters attending: Preaching Minister, Butch Gastfield; Chairman of the Deacons, Michael Bolter; and Church Administrator, Chris Callahan. Also present were Bob Harris and Tom Beckner, Associate Ministers.

Paul presented the meditation and opening prayer.

The February minutes were accepted and approved.

The Deacon's report was presented by Michael. He said that Roger taught a lesson and distributed literature on the Restoration Movement and the second part of this series will be presented next month. Michael shared that February and March were very busy months for the Deacons and they met all the needs for all events. He shared that there is still a big need for additional volunteers for the parking lot team. Tom Ross gave an update on the Emergency Response team and they have scheduled two individuals to be present at each service. Michael stated that we had seventeen volunteers helping at the Men's Fellowship Breakfast and there were ninety-five attendees.

Butch, Tom, and Bob presented a power point presentation regarding reaching families of all ages in the surrounding area and how that would work. Butch shared that they would put together different vision groups to help accomplish each task needed. Fred shared that security will have to be enhanced if we start bringing younger families with children. Butch presented a timeline in completing these tasks. He was asked to revisit the timeline to ensure that we can meet the task objectives. Butch will put together a report on how these vision groups will work and report back to the Elders at the Elders meeting in April.

The administrative report was presented by Chris. The February financial report was reviewed and approved. The loan status for the FORWARD campaign was reviewed. Phase 1 pledge period closes at the end of April with an expectation of meeting our goal. Our hope is to close out Phase 2 pledges by the end of July. The elders provided an update on the Building Project to the congregation in February during each weekend service. Chris provided a detailed update on the Gathering Area Scripture Floor-signing event. It was well attended with over four hundred members participating. The month of April will bring about finishing work in the administrative offices areas as well as some of the classrooms.

The Preaching Minister's Report was provided by Butch to include an update on the ministerial staff activities for the month. He highlighted that the most recent First Step Class was completed in late February with two small groups formed to continue studies. He outlined the upcoming 5-part sermon series: based on Mike Kokolowski's book, *Happily Generous* (Secret to Living a Generous Life). Butch revealed that the official launch date for Unity Christian Church, our church plant, has been postponed until the week after Fairway's grand opening scheduled for mid-August at this time. A soft launch will begin on the weekend of May 18th in order to maintain team unity and give time to work out any kinks. He provided extensive reviews of each of the Associate Minister's monthly accomplishments. The elders recognized how blessed we are to have such capable, talented, cooperative, and effective ministry staff, reflected by the myriad of tasks the ministers complete every day out of the view of our members. They truly make Fairway the loving, Bible-based church we are. Butch mentioned that April will really be a busy month with Easter preparations already under way.

Under Old Business, a number of organizational and administrative actions were discussed to bring to closure policy and procedures updates, as well as several personnel matters.

Under New Business, Chris distributed a draft letter of details for our Red-Carpet Grand Opening scheduled for mid-August. He shared that he would distribute a copy to all the staff as a working document to help us ensure this event will be a memorable one. A brief list of internal action items were discussed and assigned to various elders and ministers to pursue. Chris shared that the building contractor offered to complete the Chapel renovation at a cost of approximately \$100k, saving over \$150k if we waited to complete the project separately at a later date, as we have currently planned. The Chapel renovation offer was approved noting that further detailed discussion is required to clearly delineate alternatives for realignment of funds. It was suggested that the Elders should schedule a tour of Unity Church facility in Leesburg and this action was accomplished on March 25th. Roger provided the closing prayer. The next monthly Elders meeting is scheduled for April 21st.



A Growing Church

Recently, Jim Jacobs challenged each of us to look at our relationship with Fairway, to get involved and find a place to serve with our unique talents and abilities. Jim told us that even with limitations we may have, we can each do something. Mike Kokolowski from Christian Financial Resources told us: "The happiest people I know are the most generous people I know". Butch told us: "Our greatest joy can be found by being happily generous". Their messages focused on our giving of both time and talents.

Is it possible to be a member of Fairway, but not be part of the team that makes the church function smoothly? Every member of Fairway plays a vital role simply through our presence, prayers, and participation in services and events. But as building renovations are completed the opportunity to be generous with your time will be many. Fairway's growth in size brings with it a host of new opportunities for service and need for volunteers. An expanding range of activities and services require volunteers to make them work properly. Volunteering provides a sense of purpose, fulfillment, and personal growth.

If you're not sure where to start, or if you cannot commit to a regular role, consider volunteering for short-term projects or events. This allows you to try different roles without a long-term commitment. You'll discover what you enjoy and where you can make the most impact: the Parking Lot Team, Emergency Response Team, Greeter, Usher, Connecting Hearts, Creative Card Ministry, MOAMI, Senior Health and Wellness, Military Outreach, Healing Journey, Helping Hands, Grief Share, Men's and Women's Ministries, Missions and Worship Team.

Sometimes, the best opportunities come from stepping out of your comfort zone. You might find a new passion or skill you didn't know you had!

Go to www.fairwaycc.org. Click on Events, Upcoming Events, Ministry Interest Sign Up, or simply use the kiosk at the Guest Services Desk. Speak with any of our Ministers, Elders, Deacons, call Michael Bolter at 616-745-9699, or the church office at 352-259-9305.

Happy Birthday and Anniversary to...

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Barbara Lowe
- 2 Ginny Bohlen
- 3 Carri Mansdoerfer
- 4 Sandy Reissing
Ruth Palmer
Pat McFarlin
Paul Smith
- 5 Jean Frye
Bud Atchison
- 6 Eileen Manley
- 7 Bill Imhoff
Chris Howard
- 8 Sue Arvoy
John Cross
- 9 Wayne Masters
Steve Feller
Jean Gafford
Steve Beasley
- 10 Bill Raeder
Cindy Eversole
Richard Moffett
- 11 John Johnson
- 12 Christina Holliday
- 13 Jerry McGraw
Ann Schaum
- 15 Hayat Khan
Gene Farmer
Dick Steves
- 16 Dean Moffett
Pat Vandivier
Bruce Mazur
- 17 Barbara Coburn
Mike Eberle
- 18 Richard Kent
Michael Easter
- 19 Merle McConnell
Wes Lindholm
Debbie Martinez
Jim Carbonneau
- 20 Marv Crowley
Pam Perras
Michael Spano
- 21 Betty O'Conner
Bunny Buckner
Pat Newcombe
- 22 Lois Ottman Howland
Mary Smalley
Eileen Emery
- 23 Joanne Zonker
Bill Joiner
Kathy Cross
- 24 Joyce Henry
Sheri Barker
Bob Brandt
Paul Cook
- 25 Jan Lubbehusen
- 26 Sandy Maffitt
Danny Bake
Ed Johnson
- 27 Norm Liskey
Bonnie Bolter
Sheila Easter

- 28 Linda Dansberger
John Urian
Al Richardson
- 29 Bev Johnsey
Bob O'Brien
- 30 Buddy Appel
Loretta Selby
Jenny Sweat
Ann McCullough
Bob McIlwee

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Frank & Joanne Gregory
Paul & Patty Wertz
Wade & Joan Werry
- 3 Dennis & BJ Hockenberry
- 4 Paul & Jill Barcus
- 5 Dave & Linda DeMars
- 7 Larry & Kay Miller
- 8 Bill & Barb* Pope
Tom & Celeste Fodor
- 10 Cindy and James* Lambert
Jerry & Barbara Benware
- 11 Ken & Diana McPeak
- 13 Ken & Linda Riffle
Glenn Kelly & BJ Kellogg
- 14 Rick and Arlene Sutherland
Glenn & Ginny Bohlen
- 15 Anita & Ed* Dougherty
Ted & Jackie (Stuckey) Texer
- 17 Jim & Terri Cranfill
Brett & Jamie Thomas
- 18 Bob & Chris Naramore
Bob & Sue Eaton
Bill & Pat Newcombe
- 19 Dan & Phyllis Walters
Butch & DeDe Gastfield
Lon & Bev Gaumer
- 20 Bob & Diane Jacobs
- 22 Malan & Tricia Hepper
- 24 Linda & Bill* Whitney
Margaret & Dennis* Salisbury
- 27 Dennis & Marilyn Leslie
- 28 Lois & Dallas* Kuhn
Gary & Barb Mastny
Karl & Beth Kennaugh
- 29 Joanne & CW* Zonker



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.



CONSTRUCTION UPDATES ARE AVAILABLE UNDER "FORWARD" LOCATED UNDER THE MINISTRIES TAB ON OUR WEBSITE

GOT COFFEE?

All new ladies and familiar faces are invited for coffee, fun and fellowship on **April 2 at 10 a.m. in Rm. C.** Information will be presented about Fairway Women's Ministry opportunities. Join us to make a new friend!



Visit our website at fairwaycc.org for more information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have a critical need for parking lot guide volunteers. This is so important during our construction period. We are trying to find the best ways to combat the challenges of construction and we know that parking lot guides are at the top of the list. We need to ensure everyone can come to Worship Services in the safest manner possible. If you would like to volunteer. Please sign up at the kiosk or online and someone will reach out to you very soon.



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



Fairway Women have a Friday executive golf group. If you would like to join us please sign up at the Kiosk in the Gathering Hall 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.

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



Do you enjoy playing Pickleball?
Come play....
Mondays at Moyer Rec. Ctr., 2 pm
Thursdays at Pimlico Rec. Ctr., 3 pm

April 2025

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 9am—Precept 9am—WM Tues. Bible Study 11am—Prayer Shawl 11am—WM Adv. Board Mtg. 11am—WM Plugged in Mtg. 12 ³⁰ pm—Precept 2pm—Ukulele 3pm—Private Mtg.	2 8am—FMS 8am—Men's Bible Study 9am—Private Mtg. 9 ¹⁵ am—Private Mtg. 10am—Wm's Coffee 2pm—GriefShare 3pm—Choir 6pm—Bible Study	3 9am—Private Mtg. 10am—Creative Card 1pm—MOAMI	4 8 ³⁰ am—Private Event 6 ³⁰ pm—Game Night	5 5 ⁴⁰ pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
6 8am—Coffee 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—Elders Mtg. 9am—1st Imp. 10am—SH&W Elder Options 1pm—Mahjongg 3pm—Deacons Mtg.	8 9am—Precept 9am—WM Tues. Bible Study 11am—Prayer Shawl 11 ³⁰ am—MOM Mtg. 12pm—Tricord Mtg. 12 ³⁰ pm—Precept 2pm—Ukulele 3pm—Private Mtg.	9 8am—FMS 8am—Men's Bible Study 9am—Private Mtg. 9 ¹⁵ am—Private Mtg. 2pm—GriefShare 3pm—Choir 5pm—Dinner 6pm—Bible Study	10 9am—Private Mtg. 10am—WM June Mtg. 12pm—MOAMI Grad. 3pm—Visitation Mtg	11 8 ³⁰ am—Private Mtg. 130pm—Caregivers Connection 5pm—Choir Rehearsal 6pm—Easter Musical	12 5 ⁴⁰ pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
13 PALM SUNDAY  8am—Coffee 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. 6pm—Easter Musical	14 8am—FMS 9am—1st Imp. 9 ³⁰ am—1 st Aid Mtg. 10am—SH&W Elder Options 1pm—Mahjongg 1pm—M.O.M. @ the Springs 3pm—WM Retreat Mtg.	15 9am—Precept 9am—WM Tues. Bible Study 11am—Prayer Shawl 12pm—Tricord Mtg. 12 ³⁰ pm—Precept 2pm—Ukulele 3pm—Private Mtg. 4pm—MM Leaders Mtg.	16 8am—FMS 8am—Men's Bible Study 9am—Private Mtg. 9 ¹⁵ am—Private Mtg. 2pm—GriefShare 6pm—Bible Study	17 9am—Private Mtg. 10am—WM July Mtg.	18 GOOD FRIDAY <i>Office Closed</i> 5pm—Good Friday Service 	19 8am - Men's Breakfast 5 ⁴⁰ pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
20 Happy Easter! 8am—Coffee 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. 9am—Elders Mtg. 10am—SH&W Elder Options	22 12pm—Tricord Mtg. 2pm—Ukulele 3pm—Private Mtg.	23 8am—FMS 8am—Men's Bible Study 9am—Private Mtg. 9 ¹⁵ am—Private Mtg. 2pm—GriefShare 4pm—Choir 6pm—Bible Study	24 9am—Private Mtg. 9am—Card Prep	25 8 ³⁰ am—Private Mtg. 6pm—Pre-Movie Snacks 6 ³⁰ pm—Movie	26 5 ⁴⁰ pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
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Spring is upon us! I “re-planted” two large Crape Myrtle trees in my front yard that I “adopted” when our expansion project started here at the church last year. Fall was already approaching, so they never really grew any leaves and as we moved into winter, the branches were bare, and I thought maybe they weren’t going to make it. But now that Spring is here, I’m seeing new growth on once bare leaves, and I’ve been reminded that Springtime is the time we celebrate new growth and new life – with plants and with the little critters that are always born during Springtime. And of course, during Springtime, new life is the focus for us spiritually. The resurrection is all about new life! Jesus Christ went into the tomb dead and three days later, He came out of the tomb alive! We hope you will join us as we celebrate this Resurrection season. Make plans to attend our special programs that will turn our attention to the event that has literally changed the world! We’ll be starting a new three-part sermon series titled “***I Would Remind You, Brothers!***” that will lead us from Jesus’ death to His burial, and on to His glorious resurrection! This is the essence of Christianity! I hope you will read 1 Corinthians 15 in preparation for this series.

By the time you read this article the announcement of my upcoming Sabbatical will have been made in each of the weekend services. I want to publicly express my thanks and appreciation to the elders who have afforded me this opportunity to take some extended time to be refreshed, to dream, to plan, and to seek God’s guidance as we move forward in these coming months and year. Bob Harris will be taking the lead among our ministry staff and addressing any issues that come up during my absence through May as well as preaching on Mother’s Day – May 11. Tom Beckner will be preaching a new 4 part series through the month of May.

Our “Grand Opening” will be upon us sooner than we think, as will the need to be prepared to take advantage of the increased ministry opportunities that will come with the completion of our expansion. Exciting times lie ahead for Fairway! Our faithful giving, our joyful service, and our continued spiritual growth and prayers will be essential as the Lord leads us in His will! What a joy and privilege it is to serve such a great church like Fairway and our Lord Jesus Christ! Blessings to you all!

Your preacher,

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