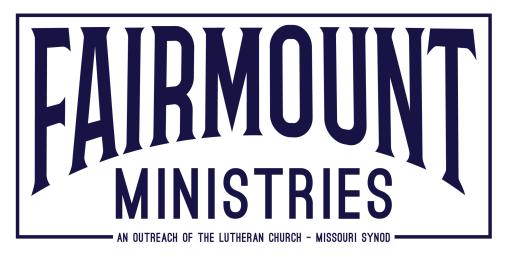


- The WHIRRING of the milk being steamed
- Bursts of **GIGGLES** from a group of Muslim young women playing UNO
- The quiet **HUM** of the music through our speakers
- A student **SEARCHING** for personal Bible study resources
- **LISTENING** to stories of our ministry's history from a woman in her 80's
- Heads **BOWED** in prayer
- A small group of students **WORKING** together on a puzzle
- A student in our office **BEAMING**, her arm extended showing an image of her baby nephew
- A young couple **HOLDING** hands on their coffee date
- Music being **RAISED UP** in praise
- A group of young women **COLORING** Scripture verses
- Students with their headphones on and their eyes intently **FOCUSED** on their computer screens or textbooks
- An infant **CRYING** as a young mother softly hushes him
- A constant **MURMUR** of voices
- A toddler in pigtails **SMILING** between bites of blueberry muffin
- The soft **DISCUSSION** of a group of elderly men reading Scripture during their weekly Bible study
- A young woman **OFFERING** to serve our ministry
- Prayers being **LIFTED UP** for Fairmount by our community
- A small group of young Lutheran men in our Living Room **STUDYING** the Bible
- PITTER-PATTERS of toddler feet

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#### PRAYERS FOR FAIRMOUNT:

- Students: on summer break, serving in summer jobs, mission trips, and traveling on vacations.
- The neighborhood children as they attend Vacation Bible School at Fairmount. May we be a blessing to them and show them the love of Jesus!
- For the King of King mission team as they travel to Wichita and serve in mission to Fairmount and other ministries around town.
- That the Lord provides opportunities to talk with our guests about faith, and the grace that comes through a relationship with Christ!
- For our staff to remain "on-fire" and to walk in faithfulness.
- That the Lord would inspire our community to become monthly donors &/or get involved with Fairmount Ministries.



#### Friday Evening, Sept. 20 The Fairmount Gathering

Celebrating 60 years in ministry; A Fall BBQ & Fundraiser;

# THE SIGHTS & SOUNDS OF FAIRMOUNT

Our growing ministry needs your help!!

These are just a few of the sights and sounds we've experienced and heard only in the last few weeks. Can you imagine the change we have seen in a mere 22 months?

Since we opened Fairmount Coffee Company in August of 2017, there has been an exponential growth of the number of people walking through our doors. **The breadth of our ministry has expanded further than we ever anticipated!** 

There is no way to measure the number of actual guests that come through the doors of Fairmount, but from August 2017-July 2018, there were over 22,000 transactions at Fairmount Coffee Co. Think of the number of people who visited Fairmount who do not know the love of Jesus Christ!

Prior to the start of the coffeehouse ministry, we had 3 Bible studies each month. Since the fall of 2017, our ministries have grown to offer 7 opportunities for Lutheran led Bible studies a month. Last academic year, Fairmount Ministries reached roughly 60 college students and young adults through our own Bible studies. That is 15 times more than previous years!

As our ministry continues to grow and expand larger than we ever anticipated, so does our need for your partnership. In the last two years, operating expenses for Fairmount Ministries & Coffee Co. have increased 4 fold. We need your financial support now, more than ever!

When we started the venture of Fairmount Coffee Co., we were advised by many business consultants that most small businesses do not break even in their first 5 years of operation. So, it is not alarming that the coffeehouse ministry is not breaking even at this time. However, we are constantly working to improve our processes and make our ministry sustainable.

One way to do this is by consistently evaluating our operations and making vital tweaks to products, procedures, pricing, labor costs, etc. **The other way to make Fairmount Ministries & Coffee Co. a sustainable ministry is through your donations!**  Please help us with our Mission Advancement Goal(s) to ensure that Fairmount Ministries & Coffee Company becomes a sustainable mission!

## 1. Increase monthly gifts by \$4,000 per month

Because of the exciting growth and reach of our ministry, our operating costs have seen an extreme growth. Our first financial goal is to increase monthly recurring gifts by \$4,000 per month. This would be 200 families pledging \$20 per month (\$240 per year) or 40 families pledging \$100 per month (\$1,200 per year).

Would you please prayerfully consider becoming a sustaining partner with our ministry?

Visit https://fairmountministries.churchcenter.com/giving and choose "Regularly" under Frequency to give monthly to Fairmount Ministries & Coffee Co. or mail checks to 3815 E. 17th St. N., Wichita, KS 67208.

## 2. Raise an immediate \$50,000-\$100,000

The rapid growth of our ministry has depleted the amount in our operating reserves. It is our second financial goal to rebuild our contingency funds. We have already received \$27,600 toward this goal, as of 5/23/19.

# 3. Pay off debt

In 2017, Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) extended a line of credit for approximately \$300,000. Our final financial goal is to pay-off the line of credit with LCEF as soon as possible.

### WE WERE HONORED TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING MEMORIALS IN 2018:

In memory of Alta Kirk given by Trish Geske
Memorial Fund in memory of Lawrence Roddick
In memory of Marietta Tape given by
John & Erica Tape and Robin Ruse

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING CONGREGATIONS THAT BLESSED US WITH THEIR SUPPORT IN 2018!

Ascension Lutheran Church, Wichita Christ Lutheran Church, Augusta Faith Lutheran Church, Derby Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Wichita Immanuel Lutheran Church, Wichita Peace Lutheran Church, Andover Redeemer Lutheran Church, Arkansas City Risen Savior Lutheran Church, Wichita St. Andrews Lutheran Church, Wichita Trinity Lutheran Church, Wichita Trinity Lutheran Church, Wichita Zion Lutheran Church, Argonia Zion Lutheran Church, Newton

\*\*\* Some common misconceptions about our ministry is that we are sponsored/funded by one local congregation. Another is that we are fully funded by the Wichita congregations. And yet another is that the KS District fully funds our ministry. Although the KS District and many local congregations generously give to Fairmount, we are our own independent 501c3 and we are reliant on the generosity of donors, like you, to continue the ministry at Fairmount.\*\*\*

### SOME OF OUR BIGGEST NEEDS:

- Increase recurring monthly donations by \$4,000 (total)
- **Raise immediate capital** of \$50k-\$100k! (\$27,600 already committed!)
- Volunteers for Fireworks Stand
- Volunteers for Community Garden & Landscape
- Sponsors for Fairmount's Fall Gathering
- Paved back parking lot
- New roof for Living Room and office areas
- New HVAC
- Outreach Committee Members
- Errand runner
- Printing services (marketing, brochures)

### HERE'S A SHOUT OUT OF THANKS TO THE ORGANIZATIONS WHO SUPPORTED FAIRMOUNT MINISTRIES IN 2018!

AIM Inc., Cheney Amazon Smile Ascension Lutheran Church LWML, Wichita Christ Lutheran Church Tabitha Circle, Augusta Cisco Education Program Holy Cross Lutheran Church LWML, Wichita Kansas District LCMS LWML KS District Peace Lutheran Church LWML, Andover Thrivent Financial Trinity Lutheran Church Ladies Guild, Wichita Trinity Lutheran Church LWML, Salina Wichita Zone LWML

#### WE GIVE THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO FAITHFULLY GAVE TO FAIRMOUNT IN 2018!

Bernita Balzer Richard & Betty Borchard Rick & Chris Brandorff Mike & Sarah Carpenter Geoffrey Christensen Elaine Classen Gary & Helen Condict Sharon Cooper Rev. Jeff Crane Chris & Tonya Crawshaw C. J. & Sharon Cross Ida Evans Levon & Joan Gantt Janice Garcia Trish Geske Rev. Ron Gloe Rev. Scott & Deb Goltl Dana Gythiel Edward & Bernita Heim Mark & Betty Herbert JoAnn Hoggatt Phyllis loeger Karl & Nancy Koenig Maggie Koops Dwight & Kristine Koops Kent & Sandy Koster Aaron Kuenn Kenneth & Kathleen Loesing Karissa Marble-Flint Stephen & Bev Mardis Dr. Angela Meyer Evan & Jane Meyers Frank & Marilyn Miller Roland & Donna Mueller Cathy Muncy Toby & Béth Ortstadt Joan Perez William & Billie Peterson Delmar & Irma Quade Rev. Ron Rather **Robin Ruse** Alfred & Lauren Schulz Dale & Karen Soderstrom Robert & Dorothy Sponsel Don & Charlotte Steffens Kevin & Joyce Stuewe Eric Stuewe Dr. John & Linda Tape John & Erica Tape Bruce & Twila Tappan Lois Thompson Matthew Thonen Bruce & Kathy Trapp Gary & Phyllis Von Fange Ken Wellner Rev. Terry & Barb Wiechman Bruce & Karen Wilgers Rev. Clifford & Lois Winter Melva Kay Wulf Cecil & Susan Wulf Roger & Dorothy Zellers Mary & Roger Zwemke

# UPCOMING EVENTS AT FAIRMOUNT

See what's happening around Fairmount all the time; follow us on social media or sign up for our monthly e-newsletter.

# FIREWORKS STAND FUNDRAISER JUNE 27- JULY 5

**Would you help us with this fundraiser?** We were invited to participate in a Fireworks Fundraiser with Zion Lutheran, Newton & Peace Lutheran, Andover!

We have been asked to provide 805 hours of volunteer service. We know it is a BIG goal, but that would mean only 80 people volunteering 10 hours. We know that we can count on our Fairmount Family to help us reach this goal. Every hour you sign up for will bless Fairmount Ministries & Coffee Company! The success of the fundraiser's impact on our ministry depends on our volunteer hours. **Please consider your time as a valuable gift to our mission!** 

The stand needs manned June 27-July 5. There is an array of hours to serve.

Visit www.tinyurl.com/fairmountfireworks for more info and to sign up to volunteer!



# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We are so excited to be able to host our 2nd Annual VBS at Fairmount! A Jr. High mission team will be traveling from King of Kings Lutheran, Kansas City, MO, to lead a "Miraculous Mission" for the littlest souls in our neighborhood!

#### VBS: Monday, June 17 -Wed., June 19, 6:00pm - 7:30 pm

#### Family BBQ: Thursday, June 20, 5:30pm -8:00pm

Looking for a way to get involved at Fairmount? This is a great opportunity to jump in with us! Reach out to Paige at, fairmountministries@gmail.com or 316-684-5224 if you're interested!

# Here are a few other ways you can bless our ministry!



Send us an email fairmountministries@gmail.com or drop us a call 316-684-5224 for more info!

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