



New Sermon Series Begins Sunday, December 1st “The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe”



Fairmount Christian Church presents *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*, from C. S. Lewis' classic series, *The Chronicles of Narnia*. **7 Free Shows!** No tickets or reservations required!

Show dates and times:

- Friday, December 6th at 7pm
- Saturday, December 7th at 3pm & 7pm
- Sunday, December 8th at 3pm*
- Friday, December 13th at 7pm
- Saturday, December 14th at 7pm
- Sunday, December 15th at 3pm*

*nursery available on Sundays



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When Lucy Pevensie steps through the wardrobe into the enchanted world of Narnia, the first creature she meets is a faun by the name of Mr. Tumnus. We can only imagine what it would have been like for a little girl to meet a being who is half man, half goat. In their initial conversation, Lucy's new friend utters words that are central to the entire story:

“It is winter in Narnia,” said Mr. Tumnus, “and has been for ever so long ... always winter, but never Christmas.”

What unfolds in the pages of this wonderful tale surrounds that very sentiment – what would it be like to live in a world in which it was always winter, but Christmas never came.

This is C.S. Lewis' brilliant allegory of the world in which Jesus came 2000 years ago. A world dark, cold, and brutal – a world in which there was no joy, no peace, no hope, and no salvation. We all know what happened. Christmas did come – Jesus was born – and everything changed.

This December, in conjunction with our outreach production, our Sunday morning sermons will focus on this central theme of “The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe”. We will focus on the amazing good news that the birth of Jesus brings to the dark, cold, and brutal world in which we live. As the angel said to the shepherds on that night long ago, “Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy”. This is news we all need to hear. This is news all our friends and neighbors need to hear. Be sure to invite your friends and be in one of our four worship services each Sunday in December as we celebrate the good news of Christmas.

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Thanksgiving Eve Wednesday, November 27th

Fellowship Dinner from 5:00-6:15pm in the Family Life Center
(RSVP online at fccsignups.info/Thanks or use the tear-off that will be in the bulletin on November 24th.)

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
hosted by U&I Bible School Class
6:30pm in the Sanctuary ~ Speaker: Terry Sullivan

An offering will be taken which will benefit the MCEF Food Bank which provides essential food and other non-perishable items to our neighbors in need.



Terry Sullivan is Associate Pastor at Beaverdam Baptist Church and a Lieutenant with the Hanover County Sheriff's Office. Terry currently supervises the Criminal Intelligence Unit and Crime Prevention Units, which also encompass the Sheriff's Office Homeland Security Initiative and FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force and serves on staff with the Virginia State Police Fusion Center as the state's first Intelligence Liaison Officer (ILO).

Terry served in the United States Air Force during the first Gulf War as a military police officer. He finished his undergraduate degree in leadership studies after attending the Community College of the Air Force, J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College and seminary studies at Newburg Theological Seminary and Liberty University. He and his wife, Misty, have three boys, TJ, Wyatt, and Josiah.

THE LION AND THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE

Our Christmas Gift to You!

Join us for a live performance of C. S. Lewis's classic tale, *The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe*, presented in our Worship Center. No tickets or reservations are necessary - just choose the time that works best for you and come enjoy the show. Each performance lasts about an hour and forty-five minutes, including a 15-minute intermission.

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Saturday, December 7th at 3pm or 7pm
Sunday, December 8th at 3pm (nursery available)
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Saturday, December 14th at 7pm
Sunday, December 15th at 3pm (nursery available)



Christmas with MMS

At Fairmount, sharing gifts with the children at Mt. Mission School is an annual tradition that everyone looks forward to! Bible School classes and other small groups sponsor specific children and help to provide their "heart's desire" gift as well as other necessities like clothing, shoes, and personal items. Children and teens are encouraged to choose a fun gift for a child the same age and gender as themselves. **Bring your wrapped gifts to the tables in the Worship Center and Sanctuary lobbies on November 24th, December 1st, or December 8th for labeling instructions and labels.**

Learn more about Mt. Mission School's history, ministry, and kids - mmskids.org.



The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe Volunteers Needed

**Greeters, Ushers, Parking Lot & Welcome Center Attendants
Visit fccsignups.info/Narnia to learn more and sign up to help.**



Christmas at Fairmount



Sunday, December 1st

First Sunday of Advent - Advent comes from a Latin word meaning, "a coming". The Advent wreath and candles are used to observe a period of prayer and fasting beginning four Sundays before Christmas. The symbolism of the candles varies, but the purpose is always the same - to prepare our hearts and minds for the birth of our Savior.

Hanging Of The Greens - 6pm, Sanctuary ~ With the help of our adult and children's choirs, we'll fill God's house with songs of the season and children will hang Chrismons on the tree. This evening filled with song and cheer is sure to put you in the Christmas mood. **Children choirs will meet in their regular rooms at 5:30pm to warm up before performing.**

Sunday, December 8th

Second Sunday of Advent

Final day to drop off gifts for Mountain Mission School.

Children's Class Photos will be taken during each grade's Bible School time. If you don't normally come for your Bible School hour, try to come on the 8th to be part of the photo and this fun tradition.

(Infants-2nd Gr. - 9:30am; 3-5th Gr. - 11am.)

Children's Family Gingerbread Decorating - 12:30pm in the Gym ~ Pizza lunch, dessert, and a Gingerbread Decorating kit will be provided. Cost \$2 per person + \$5 per kit. Sign up on the kids bulletin board with how many are attending and how many kits you will need.

FCYM Caroling & Cook Out

Sunday December 16th

Third Sunday of Advent

Journey to Jesus - From 9:30am-Noon, elementary students will celebrate Jesus' birthday as they journey through His life. Preschoolers will Journey to Jesus during the 9:30 hour.

Morning Friendship Circle Annual Seniors' Luncheon - 12:30pm, Family Life Center ~ For more information and to RSVP, contact Liz Neagle (301-5182) or Bonnie Norwood (730-1473).

Sunday, December 22nd

Fourth Sunday of Advent

A Quiet Winter's Night - 6pm, Worship Center ~ A relaxing and enjoyable evening of live Christmas music. (Approx. 2 hrs. long.)

Tuesday, December 24th

Church Office Closed

Christmas Eve Services

3pm - Traditional Service in the Sanctuary ~ The Friends Bible School class invites you to remember the birth of Christ and what it means to the world.

5pm, Modern Service in the Worship Center ~ Join us for our first modern Christmas Eve Service as we travel by song and scripture through the ultimate story of peace, hope, and love over 2000 years ago.

Wed., December 25th

Christmas Day

Church Office Closed

Dec. 29th-Jan. 1st

Snowball Camp for 3rd-5th Gr. ~ Sign up on the Kid's bulletin board if you plan to ride the church bus. Sign up at fccsignups.info/CampRudolph.

Wed., January 1st

New Year's

Church Office Closed

Sunday, Jan. 5th

Winter Kick-Off

Family Skate Night at Ashland Skateland - 5:30-7:30pm ~ Bring the whole family & invite your friends!



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OUR CHURCH

NEW MEMBERS

Baptisms:

11/10: Connor Mills

11/17: Callie Wright

Transfers

11/17: Cheryl McBroom

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

	11/10	11/17
8:15 Traditional Worship:	159	175
Children's Worship:	5	3
9:30 Contemporary Worship:	438	534
Children's Worship:	50	55
Online Views	49	51
11:00 Traditional Worship:	144	179
Children's Worship:	84	87
11:15 Modern Worship:	268	300
Online Views	26	24

Total: 1,224 1,408

Bible School: 574 615

Budget Requirements: \$49,127 \$49,127

Budget Receipts: \$35,097 \$46,327

Are you aware that you can gift appreciated stock to help with Fairmount's upcoming Christmas Campaign?

Giftng appreciated stock is one of the most effective means of tax savings available. For more information, please contact Brandon Woodard in the church office at 559-8070 or bwoodard@fairmountcc.org.



Fresh Hope

Tuesdays, 7-8:30pm

A peer-to-peer support group for those with a mental health diagnosis and their loved ones.

freshhope@fairmountcc.org

SERMON SERIES

OVERBOOKED

**FAIRMOUNT
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MINISTRY LEADERSHIP TEAM**
Rick Raines - Senior Minister
Chris Santasiere - Associate Minister
Seth Wortman - Associate Minister
Tracy Thomas - Worship/Music Minister
Ryan Card - Associate Worship Minister
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Ashley Sears - Children's Director
Amber Grubbs - Early Childhood Director
Brandon Woodard - Church Executive