

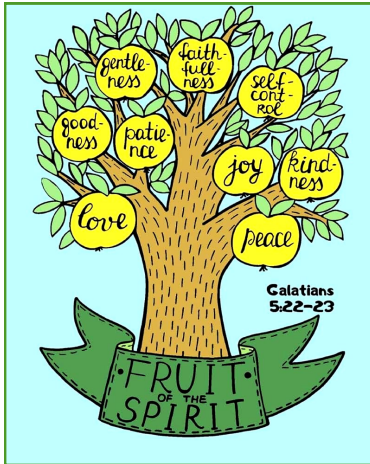


The Fairfield Monthly Messenger

April 2026

Am I Growing?

By: Pastor Rich Tuttle



I recently came across a question that I have found myself pondering this week: "Am I Growing?"

It's a great question. As Christians, we should all be "growing" in specific ways. Galatians 5:22-23 gives us a great litmus test for areas we should be growing:

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness and self-control.

I often ask couples in pre-marriage counseling where they think their future spouse excels and where they think he/she could grow using the fruit of the Spirit as examples. It's important for each couple to hear AND accept encouragement AND criticism.

This question isn't to shame or guilt us, it's to remind us that God's Spirit is always at work in our lives, we just have to join Him in that work. It's more about what God is doing in our lives and joining in than trying to force growth upon ourselves. When we pray, we grow. When we read our Bible, we grow. When we make church a priority, we grow. When we intentionally make Jesus the center of our lives, we grow.

Think about it this way, if we aren't growing we are either stagnant or shrinking and both create problems of their own. May you be intentional about growing in your relationship with Jesus knowing that doing so leads to growth in all areas of our life.

Peter ends his second letter with this encouragement:

¹⁸ But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.

Please join us for
Fairfield Community Church's
2026 Holy Week Events and Services

Friday, April 3, Good Friday
5pm - Carry the Cross
(Youth Lock-in Begins with this event)
6:30pm - Good Friday Service
Sunday, April 5, 2026, Easter
Please bring fresh flowers to place on the flower cross.
6:30am - Sunrise Service 7:15am - Breakfast
8:00am - Sunday School 9:00am - Worship
10am - Sonshine & Praise and Easter Egg Hunt

Fairfield Community Church Sunday Services: 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship On-Line & In-person

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What's Happening

- Friday, April 3 - Good Friday Service, 6:30pm, Youth Lock-in 5pm
- Sunday, April 5, EASTER - 6:30am - Sunrise Service. 7:15am - Breakfast. 8am - Sunday School. 9am - Worship. 10am - Sonshine & Praise and Easter Egg Hunt. *Please remember to bring fresh flowers for the Flower Cross.*
- Monday, April 6 & Tuesday, April 7 - Church Office will be closed for Easter.
- Sunday, April 12 - Prayer Time, 9:15am, Parlor
- Monday, April 13 - Blood Drive, 2-7pm. Call Pam Lamb at 570-447-1573 for an appointment or online at www.redcrossblood.org and enter the sponsor code: Fairfield.
- Thursday, April 16 - Golden Adventurers are going to Mill Creek in Mt. Airy, lunch at the Amish deli and shopping at the farmer's market. RSVP to Annette de Ruyter, 336-688-6443 or Brenda Taylor at 336-580-6648 by April 11.
- Sunday, April 19 - Family Prayer Walk and Hot Dog Lunch, after worship
- Wednesday, April 22 - Open Door: Youth
- Thursday, April 23 - Men's Fellowship, 6:30pm
- Thursday, April 23 - *May Newsletter Deadline*
- Thursday, April 23 - Tuesday, April 28 - Church Office closed. Reopens on Wednesday, April 29.
- Sunday, April 26 - Education Committee Meeting, 9am
- Sunday, May 3 - Children's Sunday!
- Sunday, May 3 - Sonshine & Praise, 9:30am, Fellowship Hall
- Sunday, May 3 - Kid's Strawberry picking and picnic lunch (bring your own), 12pm, Ingram's Farm
- Sunday, May 10 - Mother's Day

Women's Connection

- The Women's Connection is collecting 'LOVE' dollars through April 1 (or all year if you choose).
- We are collecting items to support their new mission project, 'REACHING OUT' TO TRINITY MIDDLE SCHOOL: Shampoo, conditioner (large and small), body soap or wash, women's deodorant. We will be collecting these items through April 8. Thank you!
- Family Prayer Walk and Lunch: Join us for a fun and meaningful time of fellowship after the worship service on Sunday, April 19! The men will be grilling hot dogs again this year so stay and enjoy lunch together. After we eat, we'll take part in a prayer walk around the track. Along the way, there will be stations with devotion, prayer, and music, creating a special time to reflect and pray together as a church family. Donations for this event are appreciated and will go to support a single mother with two children in our community. Everyone is invited—we hope you'll stay and join us!

Thank you for the wonderful support from our church members who volunteered at the blood drive on February 9th! Also, thank you to all the donors who came out to give blood! The next blood drive will be Monday, April 13th from 2-7pm. To make an appointment, please call Pam Lamb at 570-447-1573 or visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: Fairfield.

Nancy McDowell has moved to Texas to live with her daughter Laura. Here is her new address: Nancy McDowell, c/o Tim and Laura McCrory, 2313 Beacon Hill Drive, Keller TX 76248.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

4/2 - Toliver Pegg	4/4 - Christine Mercantini	4/10 - Sarah Roberts	4/19 - Sue Ellen Modlin
4/2 - Wesley Boyles	4/5 - Melba York	4/11 - Adeline Botts	4/19 - Maggie Rumley
4/3 - Robin Hamilton	4/8 - Diane Osborne	4/16 - Shirley Boyles	4/26 - Kay Auman
4/3 - Doreen Horlick	4/9 - Ron Griffin, Jr.	4/17 - Brittany Smith	4/30 - Quentin Queen

	April 4 Jason & Kari Brown	April 5 Jeff & Judy Foster
	April 12 Kevin & Jan Wright	April 26 Don & Brenda Taylor

VOLUNTEERS	April 5	April 12	April 19	April 26
NURSERY 10am	8am - Karen Harris	Karen Harris	Judy Millikan	Judy Millikan
NURSERY 11am	9am - Penny Bryan & Emily	Kay Yates & Caroline	Vickie Rhoney/Kristen Patteson	Lia Eggleston & Lucy
CHILDREN'S CH	9am - Jan & Kevin Wright	Steve & Laura Patteson	Craig & Terri Thomas	Rob & Amber Harrison
SOUNDBOARD	9am - Michael Rhoney	Rob Harrison	Seth Wood	Chad Antley
GREETERS	9am - The Eggleston Family	Eric Caveness & Valerie	Judy Millikan/Sue Ellen Modlin	Joseph & Beka Patteson
ACOLYTE	9am - Hunter Antley	Aubrey Antley	Addie Botts	Hendrix Botts
VISITATION	Mike & Betsy Sink	Steve & Laura Patteson	Trenton & Kristen Patteson	Lee & Kaye Spencer

If you are unable to volunteer on your specified day, please find someone to switch with you.

FAIRFIELD YOUTH Friday, April 3 - 5PM - Good Friday Carry the Cross & Lock-In (pick up Saturday by 8:30AM)
 Sunday, April 5 - NO youth, Happy Easter!
 Sunday, April 12 - 6-7:30PM Dinner & Devotions
 Sunday, April 19 - 6-7:30PM Grub & Games
 Sunday, April 26 - 5-7:30PM Serve & Be Served
 UPCOMING FUNDRAISER: CAR WASH, SATURDAY MAY 16, 8am - 12pm
 - If you would like to provide a meal for the Youth on Sunday evenings, please see Meredith Antley.

Golden ADVENTURERS Thursday, April 16 - We will go to Mill Creek in Mount Airy, have lunch at the Amish deli there and shop around the market. The bus will leave the church at 11am. RSVP by 4/11.
 Thursday, May 14 - We'll head to Mitchell's Grove on the bus at 11am to enjoy a hotdog lunch. RSVP to Annette or Brenda by May 11.
 Thursday, June 18 - Lunch and BINGO in the Fellowship Hall. More info to come on this. We will plan for September - December at this meeting.
 No meetings in July and August.
 Annette de Ruyter, 336-688-6443
 Brenda Taylor at 336-580-6648

FAIRFIELD KIDS Kids of ALL ages are invited every 1st Sunday to "Sonshine & Praise" with Katelyn and Morgan. Join us at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall for fun, fellowship, fuel for the soul, and singing from the heart!
 Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, April 5, at 10am. Don't forget your basket!
 Join us for the Family Prayer Walk and hot dog lunch on Sunday, April 19 after the worship service.

Graduation Sunday is May 31st. If you have a high school senior or college graduate, please send the following information to fairfieldgmc@gmail.com:
 ALL GRADS: full name; name of school; recent photo
 High School grads please include: plans after high school (job, college, major); clubs, awards
 College Grads please include: your major, plans after graduation, clubs, awards
 Information due to the church office by Tuesday, May 24th.

The Messiah in the Passover

Demonstration



Word of Messiah

Ministries

Sam Nadler

at

Fairfield

Community Church

1505 NC Highway 62 West

Highpoint, NC 27263

April 3, 2026 @ 6:30 PM

Sam Nadler is a Jewish believer in Jesus, who has been in Jewish ministry for over forty years. He is the Founder and President of Word of Messiah Ministries.

Sam is an internationally recognized conference speaker having authored books on theology and discipleship.

Sam conducts evangelism, discipleship and congregation planting in Jewish communities worldwide.

To learn more about Sam visiting:

www.wordofmessiah.org



CAR WASH

fundraiser

SATURDAY, MAY 16

8am - Noon

FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY CHURCH YOUTH GROUP

DONATIONS WELCOME!

PROCEEDS BENEFIT FAIRFIELD'S YOUTH SUMMER MISSION TRIP



By **BIL KEANE**

I HEARD SAM AND BARFY BARKIN' DURING THE NIGHT! MUST'VE BEEN THE EASTER BUNNY.

ARE PETER RABBIT, THE EASTER BUNNY AND PETER COTTONTAIL ALL THE SAME DUDE?

THE SUN RISES IN THE EAST, SO THAT'S WHY TODAY'S CALLED EASTER.

DO WE HAFTA GO TO BRUNCH AFTER OR CAN WE JUST GO HOME AND EAT MORE JELLY BEANS?

WOW! THIS IS A LOT MORE PEOPLE THAN LAST YEAR!

I LIKE IT WHEN THE CHOR SINGS ABOUT THAT GUY NAMED OLLIE LOOYA.

EVERYTHING I'M WEARING IS NEW FOR EASTER 'CEPT MY UNDERWEAR!

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