

Fairfield Monthly Messenger

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY CHURCH

THE RIGHT THANKSGIVING

The month of November is a time to recognize our blessings and the giver of those blessings (actually we should do this everyday!). However, sometimes we tend to focus too much on the material blessings when the Bible seems to guide us to focus on the blessings we can't see. In an online article, Jason Engle reminds of this:

In the Scriptures, thanksgiving is rooted more deeply than our attitude towards the temporary goods and experiences of this life. It is anchored in the eternal gospel realities that are ours, even if all worldly blessings are stripped away. In light of the coming judgment when all that is temporary will fade away, the writer of Hebrews expresses this truth when he proclaims, "let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken" (12:28a).

With this perspective, our thanksgiving becomes more durable, joyful, and contented, because it is intimately connected to the eternal gospel promises that are ours in Christ. The grounding of our gratitude makes all the difference: it is either grounded in this world or the world to come.

Notice how the gospel is the context for Paul's thanksgiving throughout his letters:

- "I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus…(1 Corinthians 1:4-5)
- "I thank God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now" (Philippians 1:3-5).
- "We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven" (Colossians 1:3-5a).
- "We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Thessalonians 1:2-4).

Let's celebrate the Lord and His blessings this November and especially on Thanksgiving day!

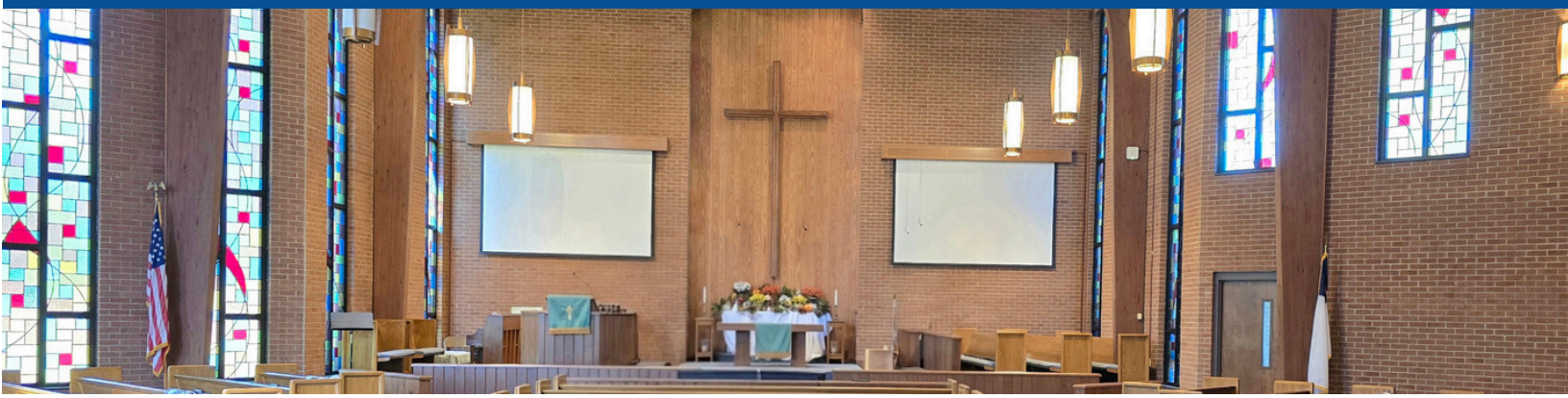
-Pastor Rich

FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY CHURCH Sunday Services: Sunday School 10am Worship 11am

Rev. Rich Tuttle, Pastor richtuttle2020@gmail.com	**Pam Lamb** **Katelyn Stoves** Music Coordinators	**Marta Price** Pianist	**Meredith Antley** Youth Coordinator mantley12@gmail.com
	Morgan Robbins Children's Coordinator mnhumble@gmail.com	**Rae Hicks** Church Administrator fairfieldgmc@gmail.com	

1505 NC Hwy 62 West High Point, NC 27263 336-431-5743 fairfieldgmc.org

Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs: 10am - 1pm; Closed Fridays



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Nov. 3 Wesley Wright
Nov. 6 Kathy Schaal
Nov. 10 Bobby Cecil
Nov. 11 Matthew Kinley
Nov. 14 Hayden Queen
Nov. 16 Sydney Kearns
Nov. 19 Lisa Kiser
Nov. 20 Mark Rumley
Nov. 21 James Turbyfill
Nov. 21 Aubrey Antley
Nov. 22 Chad Thomas
Nov. 22 Kelly Sink
Nov. 23 Laura Wood
Nov. 24 Jason Brown
Nov. 24 Kari Brown
Nov. 26 Jack Ellis
Nov. 28 Nancy Cecil

Our ***Thanksgiving meal and worship service is Tuesday, November 24.*** we will have a catered meal at 6 p.m. before the worship service at 7 p.m. Make your ***reservation*** *by contacting the church office 336-431-5743 or fairfieldgmc@gmail.com (name & number of people) by Thursday, November 19.*

We will be **decorating the sanctuary for Christmas after the worship service.** Any and I'll help is greatly appreciated!

Women's Connection News: *Rejoice always. Pray continuously. Give thanks in all circumstances.* These verses require action! The Women's Connection Team plans mission projects and YOU join us in action to successfully complete this mission work.

Because of YOUR willingness to give, just in this last month, we have

- packed 14 Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoeboxes
- served dinner to the Southern Guilford High School Football Team
- provided a reception for the families of our dear friends, Marie Peele and Doreen Horlick.

THANK YOU to all who participated in the Oct. 31 Bake Sale and Frozen Food Sale.

Now, we look ahead:

Nov. 24 - We join the Men's Fellowship to prepare and serve Fairfield's Thanksgiving Meal, 6pm, Worship at 7pm

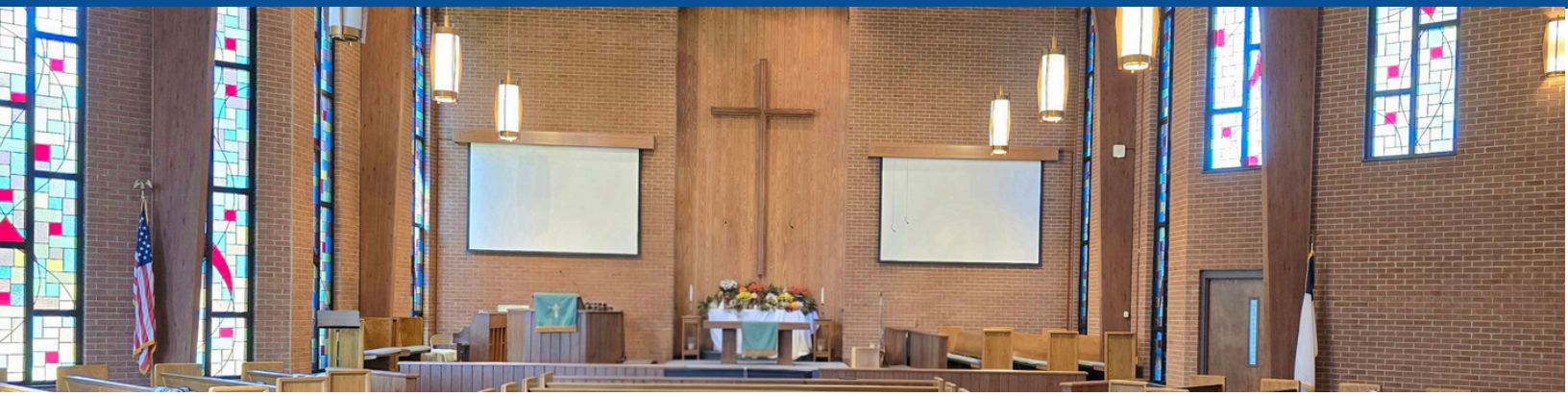
Dec. 3 - Join us for our Annual Christmas Dinner prepared by Ron & Debbie Griffin, 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Mission Project: Leslie's House: conditioner (please, no shampoo), winter gloves & hats, bar & liquid bath soap, cleaning supplies & gloves, blankets, hygiene products.

Blessings to all who give so willingly!

If you are a veteran, please contact the church office 336-431-5743, Fairfield GMC at gmail.com, with your name, branch of service, and date of when you served. We would like to honor you during the service on Sunday November 8th.

On the **fifth Sunday** of the month we are accepting **donations to support scholarships** for our graduating youth members of Fairfield. Your generous donations will help invest in their future and educational journey. Please write 'scholarship' on the memo line of your check and place it in the offering plate. Please prayerfully consider giving to this important cause. **Our next date is Sunday, November 29.**



A big **thank you** to all who helped organize the blood drive on October 13th and to all who donated blood. May God bless you and keep you! Our next **blood drive is Monday, December 14 from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m.** call Pam lamb at 570-447-1573 for an appointment or go online to www.redcrossblood.org and enter the sponsor code: fairfield.

YOUTH:

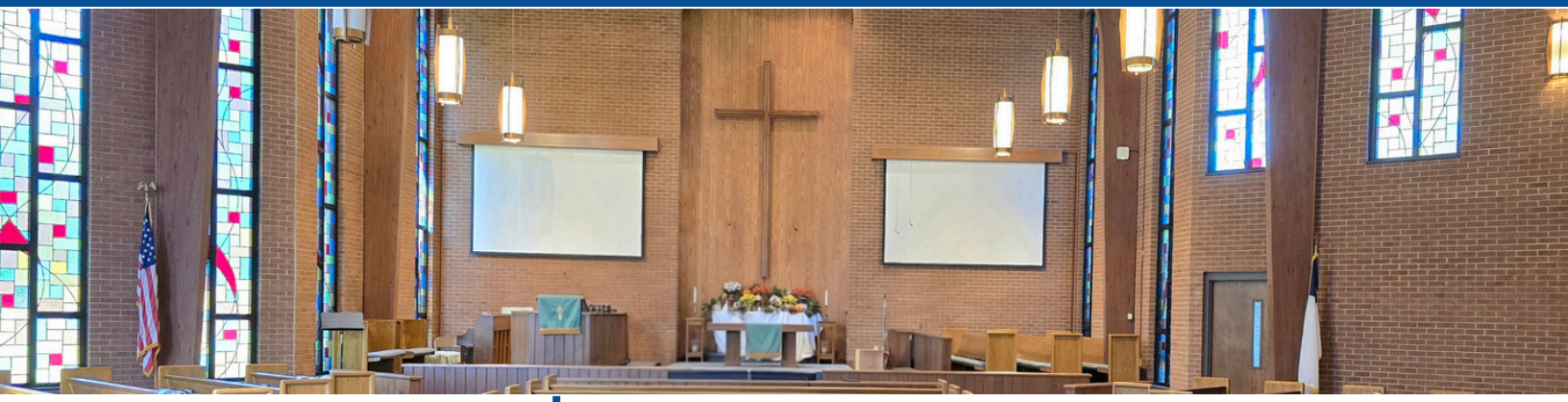
Nov. 1 - 6-7:30PM Dinner & Devotions
Nov. 8 - 6-7:30PM Grub & Games
Nov. 15 - 5:30-8PM Serve & Be Served
Nov. 22 - 12-2pm Chili Cook off & Cake Auction FUNDRAISER
Nov. 29 - NO Youth

FAIRFIELD KIDS:

Nov. 1 - Sonshine & Praise, 9:30am, Fellowship Hall
Nov. 22 - Advent Festival, 2pm

VOLUNTEERS	*November 1*	*November 8*	*November 15*	*November 22*	*November 29*
NURSERY 10am	Judy Millikan	Morgan Robbins	Judy Millikan	Kay Yates	TBD
NURSERY 11am	Laura Patteson Josie Wood	Rachel Brown Beka Patteson	Amber Harrison & Levie	Erin Thompson & Ginny	Scott & Lia Eggleston
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	The Botts Family	Kevin & Jan Wright	Sue Ellen Modlin Ginny Thompson	Craig & Terri Thomas	Morgan Robbins Pam Lamb
SOUNDBOARD	Seth Wood	Chad Antley	Michael Rhoney	Rob Harrison	Seth Wood
GREETERS	Judy Millikan Sue Ellen Modlin	Curtis & Melba York	Eddie & Sue Coltrane	Walt & Kathy McLoughlin-Meier	The Antley Family
ACOLYTE	Christopher Harrison	Zane Wood	Josie Wood	Elana Shipwash	Naomi Robbins
VISITATION	Lee & Kaye Spencer	Steve & Laura Patteson	Trenton & Kristen Patteson	Mike & Betsy Sink	Rob & Amber Harrison

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



Prayer Requests:

- Melba York, back pain, eye issues.
- Gayle Sullivan, Alzheimer's, Kay Curtis' sister
- Larry & Gail Lawson, friends of Shannon Stoves
- Clayton Guiles, Acute Myeloid Leukemia, friend of Jeff & Rae Hicks
- Sydney, prayers as she looks for a new employer, daycare and after school care for her two boys, friend of Kay Curtis
- Jack Ellis, eye (retina) issues
- Mark Stroud, glioblastoma, friend of community
- Alice Rhoney, Michael Rhoney's mother
- Joe Pugh, lung cancer, Wayne Harris' brother
- Teresa Bryan
- Sharon Jones
- Joe Turbyfill
- Rae Nell Hix
- Linda Adams
- Brenda Kinley
- Carol Brown
- Dennis Pulaski
- Lee Spencer
- Chris Roberts

Our heartfelt sympathy extends to the families of:

Doreen Horlick
Marie Peele
Janice Leonard, Brannan's aunt

UPCOMING EVENTS

• **Thursdays, through November 12** - Bible Study & Dinner (donations appreciated), 6pm
• **Sundays, through November 15** - Bible Study, 10am
• **Sunday, November 1** - **Sonshine & Praise**, 9:30am, Fellowship Hall
• **Sunday, November 1** - **All Saint's Sunday**
• **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3 (*date change*)** - **GOLDEN ADVENTURERS** are going to Bear Creek to visit Southern Supreme to tour the fruitcake factory and have lunch, bus leaves the church at 8:30am. *RSVP by Oct. 29* to Annette de Ruyter, 336-688-6443 or Brenda Taylor, 336-580-6648.
• **Tuesday, November 3** - **Voting in Fellowship Hall**
• **Sunday, November 8** - **Veteran's Sunday**
• **Sunday, November 8** - **Prayer Time**, 9:15am, Parlor
• **Thursday, November 19** - ***December 2026/January 2027 Newsletter Deadline***
• **Sunday, November 22** - **Youth Chili Cook-off & Cake Auction**, after worship
• **Sunday, November 22** - **Children's Advent Festival**, 2pm
• **Tuesday, November 24** - **Dinner (6pm) and worship service (7pm) for Thanksgiving,** decorating Church for Christmas after worship. *RSVP to the Church Office by Sunday, Nov. 22, fairfieldgmc@gmail.com*, with your name and number of people.
• **Wednesday, November 25 - Friday, November 27** - **Office Closed** for Thanksgiving
• **Saturday, December 5** - **Live Nativity**, 6-8pm (rain date 12/6)

Sunday, November 1 is **All Saint's Sunday.** We pause to remember and honor the members and loved ones of our church family who have passed away this past year. We give thanks for their lives, the love they shared, and the lasting impact they made. Though they are no longer with us, they remain forever in our hearts and in God's eternal care.



Mary Vivian Dyer
November 15, 1932 - March 20, 2026



Juanita Henley Smith
April 14, 1929 - June 8, 2026



Jerry Boyles
September 21, 1941 - June 24, 2026



Billie Ann Chilton
December 7, 1936 ~ August 1, 2026



Marie Weant Peele
September 1, 1938 - October 3, 2026



Doreen Horlick
April 3, 1927 – October 17, 2026

Veteran's Day is November 11. Fairfield Community Church proudly honors the men and women of our congregation who have served in the United States Armed Forces. We are grateful for their courage, sacrifice, and dedication to protecting the freedoms we cherish.

To our veterans, thank you for your service, your sacrifice, and your willingness to answer the call to serve our nation. We remember those who served before us, honor those among us today, and give thanks for all who have worn our nation's uniform.

May God bless our veterans, their families, and the United States of America.

Name	Branch	Dates	Served In
Eddie Bryan	US Navy	1981-1985	Peace Time
Ethan Bryan	US Marines	2019 -present	
Ken 'Yank' Collins	US Army	1960-1966	Reserves
Jason Gustafson			
Walt Meier	US Army	1974	Vietnam War
Dale Queen	US Army	1966-1966	Peace Time
Mark Rumley	US Marines	1980-1986	Reserves
Gary Sharpe	US Army	1968-1970	Vietnam War
Darrell Smith			
James Turbyfill	US Navy	1985-1990	Peace Time
Joe Turbyfill, Sr.	US Army	1960-1963	Berlin/Cuban Crisis
Samuel Yates			









Fairfield Youth's ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF



Everyone is invited to bring a crockpot of their favorite homemade chili.

We will all be judges by leaving tips at your favorite chili dish.

The crockpot with the largest amount of tips wins!

Sunday, November 22
after the Worship Service.



There's also a **Cake Auction!**

Proceeds benefit the Youth's 2027 Mission Trip.

Children's ADVENT FESTIVAL

Sunday, November 22
2 - 3:30pm

All children are invited.
Bring a friend!

Games · Music · Crafts · Story

There will be games, music, crafts, and a story as we prepare for the upcoming advent season.



Fairfield Community Church

Our THANKSGIVING Meal & Worship Service

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

CATERED MEAL **6:00 P.M.** | WORSHIP SERVICE **7:00 P.M.**



Please make your reservation
by contacting the church office
336-431-5743
fairfieldgmc@gmail.com
(Please include your name & number of people)
BY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19.

We will collect donations that evening out of gratitude for all that God has done for us and provided for us as church and as families.



We will be decorating **the sanctuary for Christmas** *after the worship service.*
Any and all help is greatly appreciated!

Live Nativity

Saturday, December 5, 2026



Come hear the story of the birth of Jesus Christ.

6:30pm, 7pm, 7:30pm and 8pm.

Wise people, animals and villagers will take guests on a journey to begin the Christmas season.

Fairfield Community Church
1505 NC Hwy 62 West, High Point, NC 27263
336-431-5743

In case of inclement weather, the Live Nativity will take place on Sunday, December 6.