

Fairfield Good News

KNOWING HIM AND MAKING HIM KNOWN

November 2018

Upcoming Events

Sunday, Nov. 4

Daylight Savings
time ends

Monday, Nov. 5 Consistory

Tuesday, Nov. 6
Election Day

Sunday, Nov. 11 Veterans Day

Sat. Nov. 17 & Sun. Nov. 18 FREE concert

Monday, Nov. 19 Eveready Meeting

Friday, Nov. 22 Thanksgiving

Fairfield Reformed Church 360 Fairfield Rd. Fairfield, NJ 07004 973-227-5428 fairfieldreformed@gmail.com https://www.facebook.com/ oldchurchnewsong/ From the desk of Pastor Scott: **Psalm 100**

A psalm. For giving grateful praise.

- ¹ Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.
- Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.
- ³ Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
- ⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.
- ⁵ For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

"In all our public service the rendering of thanks must abound; it is like the incense of the temple, which filled the whole house with smoke. Expiatory sacrifices are ended, but those of gratitude will never be out of date. So long as we are receivers of mercy, we must be givers of thanks. ...Be thankful unto him. Let the praise be in your heart as well as on your tongue, and let it all be for him to whom it all belongs. And bless his name. He blessed you, bless him in return; bless his name, his character, his person. Whatever he does, be sure that you bless him for it; bless him when he takes away as well as when he gives; bless him as long as you live, under all circumstances..." (CH Spurgeon on Psalm 100)

Thanksgiving in many ways is the forgotten holiday. Positioned between the twin poles of consumerism of Halloween and Christmas, it seems a quaint throwback to simpler times. Times where family, food and faith were the centerpieces on a table of gratitude. Sadly, it is now oftentimes nothing more than a brief respite before the frenzied start to the Christmas shopping season. A day so stuffed that we often edge out that which is most important.

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However, Spurgeon is correct, "gratitude will never be out of date. So long as we are receivers of mercy, we must be givers of thanks." Since thanksgiving has no expiration date and since we receive new mercies each day, let us purpose to set aside some time each day to return thanks to the One who has given us all things. Let us thank him for who He is, for what He is doing daily for us and what He has promised to do every day of our lives into eternity. Shout and Sing! Worship and Praise! Bless Him, Bless Him, Bless Him today and always.



<u>November</u>

- 2 Justin Boling
- 3 Debbie Petersen
- 16 Ruth Peters
- 21 Jon Nichols
- 22 Linda Walker

<u> Nov. 4th</u>



Turn your clocks BACK Sunday morning 2:00 AM! (OR Saturday night before you go to bed!!)

Reminder: test the batteries in your smoke alarms when you turn your clocks back.



Monday, November 5

Consistory Meeting
Elders/Deacons Meetings 6:30 pm
Full Consistory Meeting 7:00 pm

Autumn is like a second spring when every leaf is a flower.

Tuesday, Nov. 6th

Don't forget to vote in the Mid-Term elections.

YOUR
VOTE
COUNTS

Election Day

November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Noon Coffee Hr. Adult Class 1:00 Worship	5 Consistory Meeting	6 Election Day Pray	7	8	9	10
Noon Coffee Hr. Adult Class 1:00 Worship Veterans Day	12	Prayer Meeting	14	15	16	17 FREE concert
Noon Coffee Hr. Adult Class 1:00 Worship FREE concert	19 Eveready Meeting Women ministry	Prayer Meeting canceled	21	Thanksgiving Day	23 Grate to	24 eful od
Noon Coffee Hr. Adult Class 1:00 Worship	26	27 Prayer Meeting Pray	28	29	30	

2018 Fall Clean-Up Day

Date: TBD Time: morning til done!



Watch for exact date we will be cleaning God's house!! (probably a Saturday the end of Nov)



Sunday, November 11

Veterans' Day



Thank all veterans, especially our FRC veterans: Jim Gwinn, Allen Lentz, Ken Myron, Art Nelson, Russ Safar, Dan Tarantino and John Wert.

The Christian horse -

There's this guy who had been lost and walking in the desert for about 2 weeks. One hot day, he sees the home of a missionary. Tired and weak, he crawls up to the house and collapses on the doorstep. The missionary finds him and nurses him back to health. Feeling better, the man asks the missionary for directions to the nearest town. On his way out the back door, he sees a horse and asks, "Could I borrow your horse and give it back when I reach the town?"

The missionary says, "Sure but there's a special thing about that horse. You have to say 'Thank God' to make it go and 'Amen' to make it stop." Not paying much attention, the man says, "Sure, ok."

So he gets on the horse and says, "Thank God" and the horse starts walking. Then he says, "Thank God, thank God," and the horse starts trotting. Feeling really brave, the man says, "Thank God, thank God, thank God, thank God" and the horse takes off. Pretty soon he sees a cliff coming up and he's doing everything he can to make the horse stop.

"Whoa, stop, hold on!!!" Finally he remembers, "Amen!!"

The horse stops 4 inches from the cliff. Then the man leans back in the saddle and says, "Thank God."

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In everything give thanks; for	established in the, as you have been			
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A Concert of Praise by Voices of Praise 3 Free Concerts

Saturday, November 17 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM

Covenant Chrístían Reformed Church 400 North Haledon Ave., North Haledon, NJ 07508

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Sunday, November 18 6:00 PM

Fellowship Deaconry Ministries 3575 Valley Rd., Basking Ridge, NJ 07920



As we approach the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays and colder weather, we again think of the homeless in our area and the agencies that serve them. This time of year agencies' resources are stretched thin to feed, clothe and shelter.

We will be accepting offerings of warm gently used or new: men's clothing for Good Shepherd Mission, women's and children's clothing for Eva's Village, blankets.



Good Shepherd Mission could also use food items such as: coffee, sugar, oatmeal, rice, pasta and sauce, paper products such as paper plates, paper towels, toilet tissue, trash bags. If you see any of these on sale, pick them up and bring them in.

There are large containers in the Fellowship Hall pantry to place these items to be delivered to the agencies. <u>Anything</u> you bring will help <u>someone</u> in need.

We also will need assistance in delivering the items to GSM and Eva's Village.

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### As you know our Operation Christian Child shoeboxes are ready to go to our assigned distribution location the week of Nov. $12^{th}$ .



After receiving shoebox gifts, many children are invited to participate in the discipleship program, *The Greatest Journey*. This course includes Bible stories and Scripture memorization. They are given a Bible, a dictionary of Biblical terms and a map of Bible lands.

#### "PASTOR WAISEA

Pastor Waisea Liwaiono hosted an Operation Christmas Child outreach in Vunika, a rural community in Fiji that had no church. He then invited the children to attend The Greatest Journey discipleship program. As the students gathered for Bible lessons, their parents grew curious and began attending too. The local witchdoctor became a believer and offered his property as a place for the new church to meet. Today 80 people attend regularly, and five additional churches have been started in surrounding villages!"

Click <u>here</u> to see more about *The Greatest Journey* .

#### Thanksgiving Fun Facts

- 1. Abraham Lincoln declared thanksgiving a public holiday in 1863.
- 2. Historians believe the Pilgrims served wild game and vegetables, instead of turkey.
- 3. Appr. 46 million turkeys are eaten on thanksgiving every year.
- 4. The state of California consumes the most turkeys.
- 5. The Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade began in 1924 with only 400 employees.

- 1. Psalm 69:30
- 2. I Thes 5:18
- 3. Colossians 2:7
- 4. Philippians 4:6
- 5. Psalm 100:4

