

Weekly News

3RD AUGUST 2025



fairfield baptist church

Connect, Care, Commit, Contribute

Fairfield Baptist Church

In unity be a fully functioning Biblical community, demonstrating the love, grace and truth of Christ, through our worship, walk and witness.

Connect with those inside the church and beyond

Do a random act of kindness this week (RAK)

Care for one another

Encourage someone in the church with a card, note or small gift

Commit to sharing Christ's love with others

Offer to pray or share your faith with someone not part of the church

Contribute to the life and mission of FBC

Serve God in a ministry this week

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THIS SUNDAY

Ross Woodhouse

New Series: Ephesians

"Being a Church that Loves Christ"

Ephesians 1:1-2

Communion

NEXT SUNDAY

Iunisi Katoa

Ephesians 1:3-8

THIS WEEKS EVENTS

Craft Group: Monday at 10.00am in the Youth room.

Cafe Connect: Tuesday from 10.00am - 11.00am in the cafe.

Bowls: Tuesday at 12.45pm in the hall.

Here is the link for last week's sermon:

<https://fairfieldbaptist.co.nz/sermon-audio/?sermon=the-treaty-and-the-church-part-1>

SMALL GROUPS

Whether you are young or old , single or a couple we have the small group for you.

Our small groups are groups of a few people who get together regularly to support each other while they do a bible study, establish friendships and strengthen their faith in Jesus.

If you would like to join a small group please contact the office or Derek (our small group deacon)

Val Carlson and family want to say a big thank you to the church family for their love and practical support before and after Ian's passing. We really appreciated your prayers which were of great comfort to us all.

TEARFUND

A big **thankyou** to all those who supported our Tearfund Pizza and Quiz evening. We raised \$790.93 for this worthy cause.



This is happening
this weekend

THE FIRST HYMN is a powerful journey into history, faith, and music. When Professor John Dickson discovers an ancient papyrus buried in the Egyptian desert, he unearths more than just lost lyrics - he finds clues to early Christian beliefs. Joined by acclaimed worship composers Chris Tomlin and Ben Fielding, Dickson travels across continents to breathe new life into this ancient song - reimagining it as a worship anthem for today.

Sessions are strictly limited from 31 JULY to 3 AUGUST. Book now and experience the hymn that time almost forgot.

Times & Tickets



Community E-waste Drop Off Day

Saturday 9 August
10am - 1pm
University of Waikato Gate 2B

We are partnering with Hamilton City Council to provide a FREE E-Waste Drop Off event to encourage responsible recycling and disposal of electronic waste.

This event is for the disposal of personal e-waste only. For collection of unused University-owned equipment, contact the Service Desk on 07 838 4008.






Scan to find out more

Prayer Chain

All prayer chain requests should be emailed to rose@fairfieldbaptist.co.nz



HELP!

Let the office know if you can help serve in our church..



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Praise Oni 4th
Gerry Schuil 6th



Giving at Fairfield Baptist Church

Online banking: 03-0306-0200267-00 Use your name as a reference

Donation Box in foyer at church

Online via website at <https://fairfieldbaptist.co.nz/giving/>

MEET AND HEAR THE MAYORAL CANDIDATES

DATE AND TIME: SUNDAY 27TH JULY @ 4.00 – 5.30PM

VENUE: TE WHĀNAU PŪTAHI, 37 OXFORD STREET, FAIRFIELD

ENQUIRIES: 855 0990 (TUESDAY – FRIDAY 9.00AM – 3.00PM).

PLEASE NOTE: A GENEROUS AMOUNT OF TIME WILL BE ALLOCATED TO Q & A.



See the noticeboard in the foyer for more details



Celebrating Growth

The first Joyya Report Cards

This month, we were excited to hand out our very first Joyya Report Cards to everyone who attends one of our Joyya training courses. That includes courses from Bengali or English language, art classes, beauty therapy classes, maths, typing or even learning to play guitar or ride a bike.

These report cards aren't about ranking students or identifying a "top of the class" - they are a tool for encouragement, helping each individual celebrate their personal progress and set new goals as they continue to learn and grow.

We're continually refining how we assess and measure learning so we can give our participants the best teaching possible.

These report cards are a small but powerful step in recognizing the progress being made and in building momentum for brighter futures.

If anyone is interested in baptism and/or membership, please see Ross.

"And Peter said to them, 'Repent and be baptised every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.'" Acts 2:38

Prayer is available after the service on Sunday. Please come to the front and one of the prayer team will be happy to pray with you.

The Monday night prayer meeting is held from 7pm to 8pm in the Oasis room.

Tuesday morning prayer meeting is held in the Oasis room at 9.15am.





The Georgiou family are our Mission Focus for July

Capernwray New Zealand: This year we have students from New Zealand, Australia, England, Ethiopia, Switzerland, Germany, Netherlands, Canada, America, and France.

Ross: This has been a busy but also a very rewarding season, with 11 young people getting baptized in 6 months. It's been such an exciting time journeying with the students, building into them and helping them discover how they can serve in Missions after their time at the college by using the gifts God blessed them with.

One of my highlights was to watch one of them share her faith with a group of homeless people in Auckland during the ministry week.

Roula and I hosted a couple of student groups at our house in Auckland, which they all appreciated. We thank God for each one of you and pray that you may experience God's amazing love, care and peace in a very tangible way.

We praise God:

- For the new chaplains who completed the GSCA chaplaincy training 2025. Thank you for praying for their protection.
- For the Sports Chaplaincy training teachers, who shared their knowledge and gave up their free time to equip the new sports chaplains from the global Christian community.
- For the successful GSCA Coaching program 2024/2025 who was completed last week.
- For all the young people who came to Capernwray this year to spend time at the feet of Jesus, to learn and grow in their faith and in the relationship with Him.
- For God's protection on the way, especially for Ross, who is spending many hours a week on the road.
- For my successful eye surgery on June 3

Please pray with us:

- Pray for the new chaplains who completed their GSCA Training, and are positioned to serve in different clubs. Some of them work in dangerous places.
- Pray for Lau from Angola. He feels called to full-time Christian ministry and is pursuing theological studies and further studies in Sports Chaplaincy.
- Pray for the direction of GSCA, especially regarding the GSCA chaplaincy training.
- Pray for the complete healing of my eye. I am struggling, especially with computer tasks.
- Pray that the upcoming conference in the UK would be a blessing to every one attending, including Ross and myself (Roula)
- Pray that we will get a good summer break after that. We are looking forward to special times with God.
- Pray for a complete recovery for Ross's dad, who had a hip replacement surgery today. He seems to be in good spirit,
- Pray for complete healing for Roula's mum, who suffered a heart attack 2 days ago due to pneumonia. She is on the way to recovery.