

Weekly News

17TH 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

Neville Stevenson
Ephesians 1:9-14
Communion

NEXT SUNDAY

Ross Woodhouse
Ephesians 1:15-18

THIS WEEKS EVENTS

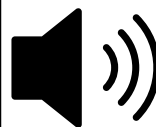
Craft Group: Monday at 10.00am in the Youth room.

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:

[Ephesians 1:3-8](#)



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(See Genesis 6-8)

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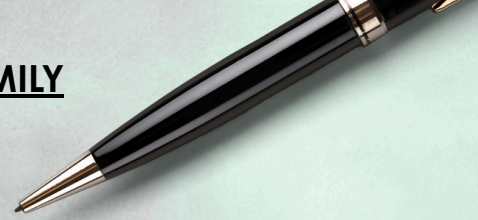
TWO ANTS? YOU HAVE ONLY TWO ANTS?!? MY WIFE AND I EAT LIKE 100,000 PER DAY EACH!

SERMON NOTES

If you would like to take sermon notes during the service we have a booklet available at the info desk for you to use. This is created specifically for our study on Ephesians.

WELCOMING OUR GROWING FAMILY

Greetings FBC Church family.



We give thanks to the Lord that we are seeing a good number of new people visiting FBC most Sundays now. Last Sunday 129 people gathered for worship, not including our children. What a blessing it is to see so many familiar faces and, even more exciting for us to welcome new friends into our community of faith.

FBC's growth is something we have been and are praying for, and I believe God is answering our prayers. This growth, however, comes with a gentle call to action for all of us. As our numbers increase, we need to be mindful of how we make room for everyone. We want every person who walks through our doors to feel warmly welcomed and able to find a place to sit comfortably, especially newcomers who may already feel a bit nervous.

Let's make it a habit to move to the centre of the rows, leaving the seats on the ends open. This simple act of kindness makes it so much easier for latecomers and families to find seats quickly without causing disruption. Similarly, being willing to shift down a row or two to create space shows our love and hospitality to those who are just beginning to connect with us.

In coming Sundays you'll see a few rows at the back with "Reserved" signs. This, again, is to make it easy and inviting for new folk to come in and find a seat.

This isn't about being uncomfortable; it's about being adaptable and open-hearted. It's a chance for us to show that we truly desire for our church family to grow. Our hosting and hospitality are powerful testimonies to the love of God, and sometimes that love is shown through the simple gesture of making room for someone new.

Do also take time to meet and greet new folk to FBC. Invite them to join you in the café for morning tea. I have every confidence this is the kind of hosting and hospitality that honours the Lord.

Thank you for your willingness to help us be a warm and welcoming home for all. Let's continue to be a church that not only prays for growth but actively makes space for it.

Blessings on all,

Ross

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

Lucas Moreira 17th
Simone Schuil 18th
Sue Frauenstein 20th
Margaret Hooker 22nd



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/>



The Georgiou family are our Mission Focus for August

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.

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.



IF YOU ARE NEW
TO THE CHURCH
WE INVITE YOU TO
JOIN THE
LEADERSHIP TEAM
FOR LUNCH AFTER
THE SERVICE ON
24TH AUGUST

*New
Peoples
Lunch*



RSVP to the church office by
email:
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by 20th August (for catering
purposes)