

Fairfield Good News

WORSHPPING THE LORD FOR OVER 300 YEARS!

December 2023

Isaiah 9:6-7

For unto us a Child is born.

Unto us a Son is given;

And the government will be upon His shoulder.

And His name will be called

Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God,

Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of His government and peace

There will be no end.

Greetings from Pastor Eric,

In this season, time seems to move rapidly. For many of us our calendars are already full. There will be times of excitement, laughter, fellowship with family and friends, but there also will be times of sorrow, loneliness and painful memories. We will miss those loved ones that are no longer with us.

Make Christ the center of your Christmas plans. Let us praise God for his goodness to us. He sent his son to be our Savior.

May this season of light bring you joy.

Blessings to all.

Fairfield Reformed Church 360 Fairfield Rd. Fairfield, NJ 07004

Pastor Eric Farrar Cell: 973-862-3615

Church: 973-227-5428

Fairfieldreformed@gmail.com www.fairfieldreformedchurch.com

https://www.facebook.com/oldchurchnewsong/



December

- 6 Eula Ferrar
- 19 Jeremy Boling
- 22 Edwin Velez and Sarah Petersen Basile

January 2

Emily Petersen



Dec. 8
Edwin & Madeline Velez

Sunday, December 3 Noon

Bible Study in Ivory Room
"A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23"

Sunday, December 3

First Sunday of Advent Communion

"May the God of **hope** fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in **hope** by the power of the Holy Spirit" (Romans 15:13).

 \sim





Consistory Meetings

December 4 and January 8



How much did Santa pay for his sleigh?
Nothing. It was on the house!

What's the absolute best Christmas present?

A broken drum—you can't beat it!

What do you get when you mix a Christmas tree and an iPad? A pineapple!



<u>Thanks to you</u>, Pastor Eric delivered 4 frozen turkeys to our friends at Good Shepherd Mission in time for them to be thawed and cooked for their Thanksgiving dinner. Thank you. Eric, for delivering them.

In addition, the special collection we did for GSM came to \$365 which, when added to the year's budgeted amount for them, totaled \$965, also delivered by Pastor Eric. Please pray for the homeless men that are sheltered, fed, taught and encouraged at this mission in Paterson. You can see all that they do by clicking here.



Sunday, Nov. 26th was a good day!

<u>Thanks to all</u> of God's people who stayed after worship service to decorate our sanctuary for Christmas. It looks beautiful!

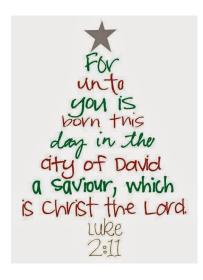
Many hands do make work light (and fun).



Sunday, December 24

Candlelight Worship Service
12:00 noon

There will be no coffee hour on the 24th AND there will be no evening service this year.



What's worse than a reindeer with a runny nose?

Where do you find a Christmas tree?

What's another name for an artificial Christmas tree?





Consistory
wishes you and
yours a blessed
Christmas

The Magic of *Christmas* is not in the presents, but in $\mathcal{H}IS \rightarrow$



"This Christmas season, when the world seems to be in turmoil—wars are breaking out in different places, crime is rampant, many things are happening that are great sins in the sight of God—but in that crib is <a href="the Person who would grow up to save us, and He did."" the world grow up to save us, and He did."

Billy Graham

The Son of God

BECAME A MAN to enable MEN

TO BECOME Sons

of God

C.L. Lewis



PRAYER MEETING

<u>In-person</u> Prayer Meeting will <u>not</u> be held on Tuesday, December 26th and Tuesday, January 2nd.

You are encouraged to pray at home using the Prayer Request bulletin insert from Sunday's service.

Putting Prayers to Action mailed the church a letter thanking us for the 22 sets of hats/mittens mailed to them for the children. They commented, "We appreciate them very much! The children will be warm this winter. God bless your church and may each person have a blessed 'Thanksgiving'."

You say, "I didn't know we were collecting mittens/hats for the children of Appalachia."

We weren't. Louise Williams knitted these items and mailed them herself to Putting Prayers to Action as she has done in years past! THANK YOU, LOUISE, you made many children happy and warm this winter!

Sunday, December 31

New Year's Eve

Noon—Coffee Hour 1:00 Worship Who gets the most excited about the New Year's Eve countdown? Calendar companies.

In what year did Christmas Day and New Year's Day fall in the same year? Every year!

What's the one group that hates New Year's Day? The New Year's Eve clean-up crew.

Why do birds fly south on New Year's Eve? It's too far to walk.

Christmas Poinsettias

You can purchase a poinsettia in memory or honor of a family member, loved one or anyone you wish. These flowers will decorate our church during the Christmas season. We will be taking orders for the poinsettias through Sunday, Dec. 17th. Each one will cost \$6. If you would like to place an order, fill out the order form below or the bulletin insert and give it to one of the deacons or put it in offering plate.

Your Name	Number of Poinsettia(s)
In Memory/Honor of:	
(circle one)	

What are some of the names for Jesus in the Bible? (See if you can unscramble the names below)

Name	Unscrambled	Meaning	Reference
EMERDEER			Job 19:25
LEBDVOE ONS			Luke 9:35
NIGK FO KNISG			I Timothy 6:15
ENLUAIMM			Isaiah 7:14
OTEDRMIA			Hebrews 9:15
EUTR NVEI			John 15:1
MA I			John 8:58
DOGO SHPHEDRE			John 10:11
DOROEMRBGI			John 3:19

Hope



Peace

Toy

Love

HAPPY NEW YEAR