



Fairfield Good News

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WONDERFUL MOTHER

God made a wonderful mother,
A mother who never grows old;
He made her smile of sunshine,
And He molded her heart of pure gold;
In her eyes He placed bright shining stars,
In her cheeks fair roses you see;
God made a wonderful mother,
And He gave that dear mother to me.

(Pat O'Reilly)

AND GRANDMA'S, TOO

While we honor all our mothers
With words of love and praise.
While we tell about their goodness
And their kind and loving ways.
We should also think of Grandma
She's a mother too, you see...
For she mothered my dear mother
As my mother mothers me.

(Author Unknown)

THE CREATION OF A NATIONAL MOTHER'S DAY

Ann Reeves Jarvis . . . Known as "Mother Jarvis," Ann Reeves Jarvis was a young Appalachian homemaker who taught Sunday school lessons. She also was a lifelong activist who, in the mid-1800s, had organized "Mothers' Day Work Clubs" in West Virginia to combat unsanitary living conditions. Reeves Jarvis was concerned about the high infant mortality rate, especially pervasive in Appalachia, and wanted to educate and help mothers who needed it the most.

During the Civil War, Mother Jarvis had also organized women's brigades, encouraging women to help without regard for which side their men had chosen. After the war, she proposed a Mothers' Friendship Day to promote peace between former Union and Confederate families.

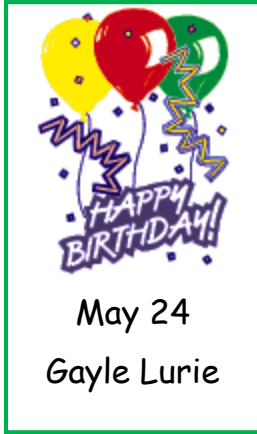
Julia Ward Howe . . . Around 1870, Julia Ward Howe called for a "Mother's Day for Peace" dedicated to the celebration of peace and the eradication of war. As expressed in what is called her "Mother's Day Proclamation" from 1870, Howe felt that mothers should gather to prevent the cruelty of war and the waste of life since mothers of mankind alone bear and know the cost.

Anna M. Jarvis . . . Anna's ideas were less about public service and more about simply honoring the role of motherhood and the sacrifices made in the home. Her efforts came to the attention of the mayor of Philadelphia, who proclaimed a local Mother's Day. (daughter of Ann Reeves Jarvis)

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Thursday
May 4



The National Day of Prayer is an annual day of observance held on the first Thursday of May, designated by the United States Congress, when people are asked "to turn to God in prayer and meditation". The president is required by law to sign a proclamation each year, encouraging all Americans to pray on this day

Church Tour

On Sunday, May 7th at 2:30, First Little Falls Church which is a daughter church of Fairfield Reformed will be visiting our church for a tour of the sanctuary, grounds and Memory Room.

*We will also share a time of refreshment.
If you are able, please stay to greet our guests.*

YOU SAY

GOD SAYS

I can't go on

My grace is sufficient

(II Corinthians 12:9 &
Psalm 91:15)

YOU SAY

GOD SAYS

I'm not able

I am able

(II Corinthians 9:8)



MAY 14

Abraham Lincoln—All that I am, or ever hope to be, I owe to my angel mother.

Eleanor Roosevelt—A mom is like a teabag. You can't tell how strong she is until you put her in hot water.

Erma Bombeck—When your mother asks, 'Do you want a piece of advice?' It is a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no. You're going to get it anyway.

Ascension Day, Thursday, May 18

According to the first chapter of the book of Acts, after appearing to the Apostles on various occasions during a period of 40 days after His resurrection, Jesus was taken up in their presence and was then hidden from them by a cloud, a frequent biblical image signifying the presence of God.

Sunday, May 21st

we will be sharing in the sacrament of holy communion during worship service.



Pentecost Sunday, May 28

Celebrated on the 50th day after Easter Sunday, it commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles and other disciples following the crucifixion, resurrection and ascension of Jesus and marks the beginning of the Christian church's mission to the world according to the book of Acts.



MEMORIAL DAY

MONDAY, MAY 29

In honor of this day, the American flag is raised to half position until noon, to honor the departed souls. After 12 pm, the flag is hoisted to full staff as a reminder that the nation lives and the country will always honor the sacrifice of the soldiers by fighting for justice for all.

“And I’m proud to be an American, where at least I know I’m free, and I won’t forget the men who died, who gave that right to me.”



Lee Greenwood

Name: _____

Date: _____

MEMORIAL DAY

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BASE

MONDAY
WWII
CEREMONY
PARADE
FREEDOM
NAVY

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SOLDIER
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