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Worship & Bible Study:

SUNDAY

Worship 9:00 AM
Bible Study 10:20 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Family Line:

931-729-9846



Mike's Minute

Answer me when I call to you, O God who declares me innocent. Free me from my troubles. Have mercy on me and hear my prayer. How long will you people ruin my reputation? How long will you make groundless accusations? How long will you continue your lies? You can be sure of this: The LORD set apart the godly for himself. The LORD will answer when I call to him.

Psalm 4:1-3

“Answer me when I call to you, O God,” was the constant plea of King David. “Have mercy,” he begged. Notice David did not cry out for *justice*. Justice would have doomed him... and us all. He needed, and we need, *mercy*.

David was “in trouble” as he wrote this psalm. Actually, “trouble” is the plight of the whole race. Fortunate are those who know it and acknowledge it.

In his trouble and anguish, caused by his *humanity*, David found comfort in *Divinity*. David shares two assuring thoughts. First, God sets apart for Himself the godly. Knowing this should motivate us to be committed to following God’s guidance. Second, God answers prayer. This knowledge provides hope to our sinking hearts and strength to our lagging steps.

Like David, let’s bravely face life’s blows. We can bear them. David could. We can. With God setting us apart for special love and attention, no trouble can overwhelm us.

Like David, let’s live in awe of God, stick with Him, and trust in Him forever.

*This thought shall cheer me:
That thou art near me,
Whose ear to hear me,
Is still inclined.*

In Christian Love,

Mike





Just Joshin'

From the same mouth come blessing and cursing.
 "My brothers, these things ought not to be so." —
James 3:10

It's kind of amazing how quickly our words can switch directions. On Sunday morning we're singing praises, encouraging one another, and making pleasant conversation. But what does Monday look like? By Monday afternoon, we might be frustrated, sarcastic, or speaking in ways that don't reflect the grace we've received. James doesn't sugarcoat it. In the Epistle of James, he reminds believers that our words matter deeply. Blessing God and tearing down people, who are made in His image, shouldn't flow from the same source. It's a heart issue as much as a speech issue. The words that we speak can, also, be someone's first impression of us. When we speak, do they hear a Christian? Or someone else? The choice is yours. You've heard the phrase: "They will know we are Christians by our love," and that includes the manner in which we speak and how we talk to others! This week, let's pay attention to what's coming out of our mouths. Are our words refreshing, or do they leave a bitter aftertaste? As we walk with Christ, may our speech be shaped by His kindness, truth, and love. After all, a transformed heart should lead to transformed words!

To God be the glory,
Josh

Do you know the steps to salvation?

We must listen to Him (Luke 10:16),

Believe in Him (John 11:25),

Repent of sin (Mark 1:15),

Confess Him (Matthew 10:32),

Be baptized into Him (Galatians 3:27), and

Live faithfully to Him (Galatians 2:20).



Centerville Blood Drive Fairfield Church of Christ

Fellowship Hall
 1860 Hwy. 100
 Centerville, TN 37033
**Monday, March 2, 2026
 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**



Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Centerville19 to schedule an appointment.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

WISDOM NUGGETS

Faith does not eliminate questions, but faith knows where to take them.

Why wish upon a star when you can pray to the one who created it?

Any concern too small to be turned into a prayer is too small to be made into a burden.

If we want to feel deeply about God, we must learn to think deeply about God.

If we find ourselves with a desire that nothing in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that we were made for another world.

God can't give us peace and happiness apart from Himself because there is no such thing.

The Christian does not think God will love us because we are good, but that God will make us good because He loves us.

We should trust an unknown future to a known God.

When life is sweet, say thank you and celebrate. And when life is bitter, say thank you and grow.

Watch what you're thinking about: The words your mind thinks become the house your heart lives in.

It's nice to be important, but it's more important to be nice.

Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?



MARCH

- 1 Kim Bates
- 2 Rita Beard
Harry Fielder
Sharon McCoy
- 3 Amera Rye
Joyce Swaw
- 4 Bobby Dunn
Ethan Willis
- 6 Hunter Mayberry
- 10 James Jett
- 11 Joyce Bruno
Jan Hopkins-Campbell
Morgan Patton
Brenda Stoltz
- 12 Ron Mayberry
Tommie Newsom
Keegan Rochelle
- 13 Alyssa Cozart
- 14 Ken Copley
Sarah Hinson
Roy Wayne McCoy II
James Swaw
- 15 Stephanie Crockett
Margaret Martin
Brett Wilson
- 16 Wallace Smith
- 17 Jennifer Barber
Danny King
- 18 Janice King
- 19 John Anderson III
Joyce Fielder
Lisa Hellmann
- 22 Nancy Baker
- 23 Emily Spears
- 24 Ronald Lynn
- 26 Tony McCoy
- 27 Halyn Brady
Lucy Knight
- 30 David Johnson
- 31 Ruth Ann Carathers



MARCH

- 3 Mike & Melissa Worley
- 7 Kim & Deneen Clayton
- 10 Gary & Kita Wright
- 19 Austin & Stephanie Crockett
- 20 Jeremy & Ginger James

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran
Opening Prayer: Chris Wright
Scripture Reading: Keith Harvill
Scripture: Psalm 121:1-2
Preside Lord's Supper: Randal Halbrooks
Left: Rick Bruno **Right:** Chris Love
 Brett Wilson Ken Copley
 Mike Worley Josh Copley
 Norman George Bobby Dunn
Announcements: Darin Cochran
Closing Prayer: Mathew Wright
Van Driver: Angie Green (931-219-7979)

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Gary Basford
Scripture Reading: Phillip Coates
Scripture: Psalm 95:1-3
Song Leader: Jeff Stacks
Opening Prayer: Ronny Pitman
Lord's Supper: Gary Bailey, Wayne Prince
Closing Prayer: Ken Copley
Van Driver: Angie Green (931-219-7979)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Gary Wright
Song Leader: Mike Kelley
Opening Prayer: Gary Basford
Van Driver: Chris Love (931-994-7855)

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF February 15, 2026

MORNING WORSHIP	191
CONTRIBUTION	\$6,385
2026 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5,417

Welcome to all our visitors. Please fill out a visitor's card and leave it on the seat so we can have a record of your visit.



Stay in touch with us on social media:
Facebook: Fairfield church of Christ - Field Family
Instagram: fcocfamily
Website: fairfieldcofc.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

There were two baptisms last Saturday at the jail ministry. **Mathew Harvey & Tristen Canada** were baptized.

The elders will meet with the men of the congregation this Sunday, February 22nd at 5:00 pm in the basement.

The **Golden Agers** will be going to Catfish Kitchen February 26th. They will be leaving the building at 5:30. Sign up lists are in both foyers.

There will be a bridal shower for **Nevaeh Wright**, bride elect of **Gabe Stone**, Sunday, March 1st at 2:00 pm in the fellowship hall. They are registered at TheKnot.com.

The Sunday morning Ladies' class which meets in the fellowship hall on Sunday mornings is meeting in the basement while Team Rubicon is here.

The **Ladies' Bible Class** meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 6:00 pm in room 104.

The **Men's Prayer Breakfast** meets Tuesday mornings at 6:00 am in the **basement**.

If you enjoy **quilting**, several ladies meet each Thursday at 9:00 am in the basement to make quilts.



Thank you

Thank you for the lantern, calls, texts and prayers during Dad's declining health and at his passing.

- Family of **David Talley**

Thank you all for being there when we needed you during the ice storm and power outage. We are forever grateful for you being there at the right place and time. But God knew.

Thank you with all our heart,
Dorothy Marshall (Dot) & son Tony (Anthony Talley)

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Linda Smith, Dot Davidson (surgery soon), Cindy Bailey, Gerry Loveless, Shelby Bates, Kerry Lynn, Steve Atkinson, Brandy Sullivan, Harry Totty, Peggy McCoy, Conner Peebles, Dave Davidson, Curtis Edwards, Jackson Bates, Adam Lawson, Marlin & Barbara Lawson, Violet Shelby, Brenda Carroll, Sherrie Talley, Bobby C. McCoy, Billy McCoy, Ed Sullivan, Jane Washington, Rita Sullivan, Lelia Mae Poore, & Dorothy Weatherspoon

Friends & Family: Doug Gardner (cancer), Gail Barber, Hilda Atkinson, Donald Brady (Vanderbilt), Jean Smith, Tammy Wright (undergoing chemo treatments), Maeve McDonald (4 month old-St. Jude hospital), Amalia Rose Shaw (home), JT Booker, Gail Tidwell, Regina Elkins, Kathryn Purcell, Randy Pitman, Deborah Roberts, Michael Harvill, Dottie McClearn, Mark Tune, Jimmy Rivers, Sunny Anglin, Mildred Rochelle, Edna Copley, Doug True, Davy Baker, Linda Canady, Paul Harvill, Ronnie Carroll, Ryan Edwards, Deborah Johnston, Willie Lawler, Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, Cory Patterson, Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Ila Faye Jenkins, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Kevin Chandler, David Stewart & Donna Gaspard

Life Care: Willie B Coates, Carolyn Phillips, Cynthia Butler, Wilma Green

NHC Dickson: Woody Woodruff (would like to have visitors, room 108)

If you have a **prayer request**, please write it on a blue card and drop it in the wooden box in either foyer.



Sympathy to the family of **Hester Moss**, long time member of Fairfield and mother of **Deborah Peery**. Her funeral was Thursday at McDonald Funeral Home. She was our oldest member at 98 years old.

"Mercy and grace do not mean the same thing. Mercy means that God does not give me what I deserve. Grace means that God gives me what I don't deserve."

Mike Kelley