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Worship & Bible Study: SUNDAY

Worship 9:00 AM Bible Study 10:15 AM Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Family Line: 931-729-9846



Míke's Minute

Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one.

Colossians 4:6

Christians should use salty language!

There's an old saying, "What's down in the well comes up in the bucket." That's another way of making our Lord's point in Matthew 12:34: "For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks."

When we have the Scriptures wrapped around our brains like a helmet—especially through memorization and meditation—our minds become filled with God's Word. It saturates our thoughts.

As we fall asleep thinking about His promises and wake up with Him on our mind, it changes the patterns of our brain. We discover that we often have a word of encouragement for someone else. If we continually fill our minds with the knowledge of Christ, He will bring the needed words to mind in every situation.

Every good cook knows that salt enhances the flavor of food. It's not just a matter of giving food a salty taste. There's something about salt, used in proper amounts, that brings out the taste of other ingredients and makes them more flavorful.

May God help us salt our conversations with the flavor of His Word.

We close with another old saying that rings true... "Make your words warm and sweet because you may have to eat them later!"

In Christian Love.







Just Joshín'



This previous week was the scheduled beginning of the district tournament for high school basketball. I've had the privilege of working with the radio station in broadcasting the games for Hickman County High School this year. It has been an absolute blast and there has certainly been much to learn from this experience. What I think I've seen the most of throughout this last season was how special our community truly is. There are countless people who show up to support the kids and it's a beautiful sight.

The Bible tells us how important a community is. Having a sense of togetherness with those around us is unmatched. In a small town, it's easy to assume you know everyone but I think you would be surprised by how many faces you can't recognize. I know I'm in that boat! There are so many people in this county who need our encouragement and who need a smiling face or a warm embrace. 1 Thessalonians 5:11 tells us to encourage one another and build each other up. We are presented with so many great opportunities in this rural county to bond with a lot of great people. We can find unity with those beyond our church walls and, who knows, maybe someone with whom you share a moment in the community will end up sharing a pew with you later on!

To God be the glory,

Josh

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Facebook: Fairfield church of Christ-Field Family
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"They invented hugs to let people know you love them without saying anything" — Bil Keane

"All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt." — Charles M. Schulz

"If you live to be a hundred, I want to live to be a hundred minus one day so I never have to live without you." — A. A. Milne

"I'll love you, dear, I'll love you till China and Africa meet and the river jumps over the mountain and the salmon sing in the street." — W. H. Auden

"Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant." — Robert Louis Stevenson

"What lies behind you and what lies in front of you, pales in comparison to what lies inside of you." — Ralph Waldo Emerson

"A place for everything, everything in its place." — Benjamin Franklin

"From a small seed a mighty trunk may grow." — Aeschylus

"If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door." — Milton Berle

"There is nothing impossible to him who will try." — Alexander the Great

"The measure of who we are is what we do with what we have." — Vince Lombardi

"Love is the only sane and satisfactory answer to the problem of human existence." — Erich Fromm

"A loving heart is the truest wisdom." — Charles Dickens

"I feel that there is nothing more truly artistic than to love people." — Vincent Van Gogh

"Life is the flower for which love is the honey." — Victor Hugo

"Who does not thank for little will not thank for much."

— Estonian proverb

"A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all other virtues." — Cicero

"Do what you can, with what you have, where you are." — Theodore Roosevelt

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive Centerville Fairfield Church of Christ

Fellowship Hall 1860 Hwy. 100 Centerville, TN 37033

Monday, March 3, 2025 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

To schedule an appointment, please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor cor Centerville19

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.



Download the Blood Donor App today. Get your digital donor card, schedule your next appointment, track your lifetime donations, view your blood pressure, and follow



MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran
Opening Prayer: Lafayette Spears
Scripture Reading: Keith Harvill
Scripture: Ephesians 4:29-30
Preside Lord's Supper: Chris Wright
Left: Mike Breece Right: Chris Love
Brett Wilson Ken Copley
Mike Worley James Swaw
Steve Baker Bobby Dunn

Announcements: Darin Cochran **Closing Prayer:** Mathew Wright

Van Driver: Jack Green 931-994-8317

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Gary Basford **Scripture Reading:** Phillip Coates

Scripture: Psalm 55:22 Song Leader: Gary Basford Opening Prayer: Gary Wright

Lord's Supper: Gary Bailey, Boyce Cannon

Closing Prayer: Ken Copley

Van Driver: Jack Green 931-994-8317

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Gary Wright Song Leader: Mike Kelley Opening Prayer: Chris Wright

Van Driver: Chris Love 931-994-7855

DID YOU KNOW THIS ABOUT 1 KINGS?

First Kings chapter 3 records the time God came to King Solomon in a dream and said, "Ask! What shall I give you?" Solomon's first thought was that God had been kind to his father David, and had also give David an heir to sit on the throne. In his humility, Solomon admitted that he did not feel confident to lead the people of God. So, he asked God to give him an understanding heart, able to discern between good and evil. Because he didn't ask for long life, great riches, or destruction for his enemies, God gave Solomon the wisdom he desired, but also things he didn't ask for: honor and riches. If you could have anything in the world, what would you ask for?

Matt Clifton



The **Fairfield Relay Team** will be having a soup/chili/chicken & dumplings fundraiser lunch on February 23rd after Bible Study in the fellowship hall. They will be serving from 11:30 to 1:00. There will also be silent auction items for bid.

The **Golden Agers** will be going to Catfish Kitchen on February 27th, leaving the building at 5:30. Signup sheets are in both foyers.

The mission meeting scheduled this month has been postponed until March 19th at 6:00 pm in room 104.

Men's Prayer Breakfast is every Tuesday morning at 6:00 am in the basement.

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

The **Ladies' Bible Class** meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 6:00 pm in room 104.

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



Anyone interested in taking over assisting with the Red Cross Blood Drives held here 3 to 4 times per year, please contact Roy McCoy for details at: 931-994-7571 or see one of the elders.

Anyone interested in taking over preparing the Lord's Supper trays each week, please contact Roy McCoy at: 931-994-7571 or see one of the elders.

For several years, **Roy & Sharon McCoy** have been instrumental in getting the Lord's Supper prepared for our Sunday morning worship and also in taking care of the Bloodmobile visits. At this time, they have decided it is time to step away and "retire" from this work. We are needing someone to step up and help us out. Please see one of the elders if you are interested in taking over either of these works. We thank them so much for the time and effort that they have put forth.



Members: Dennis Cannon (surgery scheduled March 6), Steve Atkinson, Billy McCoy, Tommie Newsom, Dot Davidson, Jeff Rose, Tom Gosser, Floy Cochran, Ed Sullivan, Jane Washington, Aletha Martin, Willie Powers, Rita Sullivan, Marlin Lawson, Randy Prince, Deborah McClellan, Joyce Boyd, Shanon Irwin, Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Janey Gilbert, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon & Jo Ann Totty.

Friends & Family: Janet Barber (St. Thomas Hickman swing bed), Mary Morphis, Lois Gilbert, Larry Gilbert, Tony Roder, Glenda Coates, Anthony Stacks (hospice-home), Mildred Rochelle, Amalia Rose Shaw, Edna Copley, B.Y. Peery, Doug True, Davy Baker, Lottie (Terrell) Williams, Mary Sue Sands, Jeff Clark, Linda Canady, Carmela Brown, Beverly Smith, Paul Harvill, Lorrie Davis O'Guin, Ronnie Carroll, Judy Baggett, Ryan Edwards, Deborah Johnston, James Buffington, Willie Lawler, James Coates, Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, Cory Patterson (home), Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler, & Donna Gaspard.

<u>Life Care:</u> Carolyn Phillips, Joe Qualls, Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss, Sue Davidson, Wilma Green.

<u>The Bridge at Columbia:</u> Hattie Mayberry, Daisy Beard.



Mar 1 - Middle/High School Ice Skating Trip, leave 10 am

Mar 4 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH

Mar 9 - 3rd-5th grade Devo, during evening service

Mar 16 - Puppet Show during evening service in Lift-Off

Mar 19 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH

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