

# THE PROVIDER

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Mike Kelley - 931-994-1911

### Associate Minister:

Josh Copley - 931-994-3944

### Youth Minister:

Chris Wright - 931-206-6629

### 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**



## Mike's Minute

*For the word of God is living and powerful, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit... and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.*

Hebrews 4:12

In his book *The Lost Art of Disciple Making*, Leroy Eims describes his struggle with anger. It was not until he made a covenant with God, which included memorizing and meditating on Colossians 3:8 ("You yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath..."), that he began to curb and control his anger.

He reviewed the verse daily and asked the Lord to bring it to mind when he was tempted to lose his temper. The Word of God became a sword with which he was able to win his spiritual battle.

Jesus used Scripture in a similar way. When He was tempted in the wilderness after fasting forty days, Jesus resisted every temptation by quoting the Old Testament book of Deuteronomy (Matthew 4:1-11).

If you are in a spiritual battle, your weapon is to be the Word of God, the sword of the Spirit (Ephesians 6:17). If there is a specific temptation you fight, memorize a portion of God's living and active Word to help you win.

Church reformer, Martin Luther, said it well: "The Bible is alive, it speaks to me; it has feet, it runs after me; it has hands, it lays hold of me."

*In Christian Love,*

*Mike*





*Just Joshin'*

It seems like our world today has a big jealousy problem. We constantly strive to have what others possess. It seems as if we hardly ever take time to appreciate the blessings granted to us by God. The society in which we live seems to always remind us that we are not good enough. We are told that we are not wealthy enough, we don't look good enough, we don't have enough friends, our house is too small, or our clothes are not trendy. I could go on but I think you get my point. It is a touch cliché but there's an adage, "Comparison is the thief of joy." I could not align anymore with this philosophy. There is so much truth packed into this short and simple phrase. I think we become so bogged down in what we don't have that it distracts us from the present. Think of all the blessings you are taking for granted while you hold envy in your heart for others.

James 4:2 reads, "You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask." This passage informs us of a few things. It tells the result of jealousy. Jealousy can drive us to kill, to quarrel, and to fight. Of course, none of those are good. Killing may sound a tad extreme and is perhaps a feeling you have hopefully never felt but I assure you that it has happened in our world's history. Fighting and arguing may seem a bit more common. While these are negative, James closes the verse with a positive message of sorts. He says that we don't have because we don't ask. Does this mean that God is a genie in a bottle? No. What He is, though, is a loving God who supplies His people and showers them in blessings if they reach out to Him *and* if that blessing is in accordance to His will. As we go about our lives, let's pray for wisdom and gratitude. If we possess those traits, we will not find jealousy in our heart because our minds will be too focused upward, toward our Father. God is more than willing to supply you with those traits, All you need to do is ask!

To God be the glory,  
**Josh**

*God doesn't call the equipped...  
God equips the called...*

*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](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor code Centerville19

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](http://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 your donation on its way to a hospital.

**FOR THE RECORD**

WEEK OF February 23, 2025

<b>MORNING WORSHIP</b>	<b>217</b>
<b>CONTRIBUTION:</b>	<b>\$6367</b>
<b>WEEKLY BUDGET</b>	<b>\$5417</b>



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### MARCH

- 1 Kim Bates
- 2 Rita Beard  
Harry Fielder  
Thomas Haskins  
Sharon McCoy
- 3 Amera Rye  
Joyce Swaw
- 4 Bobby Dunn  
Ethan Willis
- 6 Hunter Mayberry
- 9 Willie Powers
- 10 James Jett
- 11 Joyce Bruno  
Jan Hopkins-Campbell  
Brenda Stoltz
- 12 Ron Mayberry  
Tommie Newsom  
Keegan Rochelle
- 14 Ken Copley  
Sarah Hinson  
Roy Wayne McCoy II  
James Swaw
- 15 Stephanie Crockett  
Margaret Martin  
Brett Wilson
- 16 Wallace Smith
- 17 Jennifer Barber
- 18 Janice King
- 19 John Anderson III  
Joyce Fielder  
Lisa Hellmann
- 22 Nancy Baker  
Floy Cochran
- 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
- 20 Jeremy & Ginger James

## MEN TO SERVE

### SUNDAY MORNING:

**Song Leader:** Darin Cochran

**Opening Prayer:** Adam Jude

**Scripture Reading:** Phillip Coates

**Scripture: Proverbs 24:16-18**

**Preside Lord's Supper:** Josh Copley

**Left:** Carter Bates      **Right:** Mathew Wright

James Jett                      Edwin Wright

Brett Wilson                      Ethan Willis

Quincy Cochran                      John Irvin

**Announcements:** Darin Cochran

**Closing Prayer:** Zack Harvill

**Van Driver:** Angie Green 931-219-7979

### SUNDAY EVENING:

**Announcements:** Gary Basford

**Scripture Reading:** Boyce Cannon

**Scripture: Proverbs 24:10-11**

**Song Leader:** Norman Moss

**Opening Prayer:** Wayne Prince

**Lord's Supper:** Mike Worley, Phillip Coates

**Closing Prayer:** Gary Wright

**Van Driver:** Angie Green 931-219-7979

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

**Announcements:** Randal Halbrooks

**Song Leader:** Ronny Pitman

**Opening Prayer:** Rodney Rochelle

**Van Driver:** Chris Love 931-994-7855

## DID YOU KNOW THIS ABOUT 2 KINGS?

The history of Israel is filled with kings who followed God, and kings who did evil in his sight. Between good King Hezekiah and good King Josiah, there was evil king Manasseh. During his time of evil leadership idolatry was rampant, and apparently the book of the law was lost. While Josiah was cleaning out and restoring the temple during his religious reforms, the Book of the Law was found by Hilkiah the priest. When the book was read before King Josiah, he tore his clothes and mourned because Israel had not been faithful to the Lord! Some people think it's okay to ignore the word of God, having a "what I don't know won't hurt me" attitude, and counting on God's mercy. Josiah knew they were in trouble, however, because they had not been obeying the Lord!

*Matt Clifton*



Men to serve and van driver lists for March are ready to be picked up in both foyers.

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



Sympathy is extended to the Spears family in the loss of Lafayette's nephew **Jeremy Spears**.



We greatly appreciate all your kindness and support shown to us during my dad's journey to his heavenly home. The chimes will harmonize beautiful music that will remind us just how beautiful our church family is at Fairfield church of Christ!

Thank you,

**Bettina Horner & Family**

**Members:** Tommy McClanahan (St. Thomas West-pneumonia), Dennis Cannon (surgery March 6), Gerry Loveless (surgery March 14), Steve Atkinson, Billy McCoy, Dot Davidson (swing bed St. Thomas Hickman-rehab), Jeff Rose, Tom Gosser, Floy Cochran, Ed Sullivan, Jane Washington, Willie Powers, Rita Sullivan, Marlin Lawson, Randy Prince, Deborah McClellan, Joyce Boyd, Shanon Irwin (Vanderbilt), Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Janey Gilbert, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon & Jo Ann Totty.

**Friends & Family:** Jett Owsley (nephew of Allison Jett-4 yrs old-brain cancer), Brent Burt (cancer), 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.

**Life Care:** Carolyn Phillips, Joe Qualls, Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss, Sue Davidson, Wilma Green.

**The Bridge at Columbia:** Hattie Mayberry, Daisy Beard.



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

**Mar 9** - 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 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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