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Mike Kelley - 931-994-1911 Associate Minister: Rodney Rochelle-931-374-8223 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



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These are the very Scriptures that testify about me, yet you refuse to come to me to have life.

John 5:39-40

Boston Globe columnist Jeff Jacoby wrote recently about the "uncanny ability of experts to get things hopelessly, cataclysmically wrong."

A quick glance at history shows that his assessment has often been right...

The great inventor, Thomas Edison, once declared that talking movies would never replace silent films.

In 1928, Henry Ford declared, "People are becoming too intelligent to have another war."

Of course, countless other predictions by "experts" have badly missed the mark.

Only one Person is completely reliable. The religious leaders of Jesus' day claimed to have the truth. They thought they knew what the promised Messiah would be like.

But Jesus warned them, "You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life." Then He pointed out that they were missing the heart of the matter. "These are the very Scriptures that testify about me, yet you refuse to come to me to have life"

No matter what scary predictions we hear, don't be alarmed. Our confidence remains in the One at the very heart of the Scriptures. He has a firm grip on us and our future.

In Christian Love,





It was great to have **Floy Cochran** and **Glenda Jacobs** back last Sunday after being out due to illness!!

We are happy that **Trevor & Lauren Demary** are placing membership with us! They have two children, **Ellieana & Asher**. Trevor is the grandson of **Gerry & Sarah Hinson**.

The Men to Serve and Van Drivers sheets for April are in both foyers. Please pick one up.

Boyce Cannon came forward Wednesday night asking for repentance and forgiveness of things he has said or done.

Congratulations to **Mackenzie Edwards** on her marriage to **Michael Schommer** on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

**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 every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the basement.

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



We express our sympathy to the family of **Lou Dickens** who passed away this past Tuesday. Visitation will be Friday 4:00 to 8:00 pm with the funeral Saturday at 11:00 am at McDonald Funeral Home. *We will provide a meal in the Fellowship Hall for the family following the burial at Memory Gardens.* In lieu of flowers, please donate directly to McDonald Funeral Home to help offset funeral expenses.



April 2 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH
April 14 - 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade Devo, during evening service, FH
April 16 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH
April 21 - Puppet Show, during evening service in LO



**Members:** Lloyd & Faye Rochelle (are at home recovering after a car accident on the interstate this past Friday), Lizzie Barber (Dickson Horizon hospital), Charlene Breece (neck surgery April 2<sup>nd</sup>), Floy Cochran, John Fly, Joyce Bruno (home), Sharon Burns (diagnosed breast cancer), Carolyn Phillips, Reda Springer, Barbara Chandler, Shanon Irwin, Dannie George, Kenneth Chandler, Terry Duncan, June Prince, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb (serious surgery Thursday), Woody Woodruff, Janey Gilbert, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes & Jo Ann Totty.

Friends & Family: David Stewart (friend of Sharon McCoy & Martha Butler), Willie Lawler (brother-inlaw of Al Williams-St. Thomas West-heart condition), Greg Edwards (brother of Curtis-home after heart surgery), Carol Warren (daughter of Toby and Brandy), Gary Gossett, (Janey Gilbert's brother-Dickson Horizon-kidney infection), Margaret Martin, Braydon Chessor, James Coates (improving, ICU-VA Hospital Nashville), Lester Davidson, James Williams (brother of Al Williams-St. Thomas West), Kim Totty, Trevor Buchanan, Ricky Harness, Pam Sullivan, Pam Simmons, Mike Avery, Randi Rian Stringer (home), Pat Garrett, June Roder, Mary French, Bobby McCoy, Anthony Stacks, David Talley, Billie Lynn Tyler, Cory Patterson (Centennial hospital), James Stoltz, Grayson Gunter, Dusty Covington, Becky Gatewood, Ann Spencer, Jimmie Jenkins, Stephanie Pitman, Jenny Teet, Carolyn Nash, Aaron Barnett, Laura DeLong, Roy Harris, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell (lung cancer), Colene Beasley, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler & Donna Gaspard.

<u>Life Care:</u> Martha Ann McCord, Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss. Joyce Boyd, Sue Davidson, Gary Yates, Wilma Green.

<u>Olive Branch Senior Living, Dickson:</u> Martha Page

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

### 1 Peter 1:3-5

Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant merey has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.



# **Center Fielders News**

"Easter and the Resurrection"

In an earthly kingdom, a king is a ruler. His law is upheld, enforced, and obeyed. When he dies, the next in succession takes his place. As Christians we follow Christ our King. His laws are upheld, honored, and obeyed. One day our King was killed. Who was His successor? There was none. He died, He was buried, and His tomb was sealed. Satan and his evil demons rejoiced. They thought God's plan for man's redemption had failed. But wait, there is more to the story and as the late Paul Harvey would say, "And now the rest of the story."

Praise God, Christ arose in victory over the forces of evil! That is the reason for rejoicing at Easter. Christ is the perfect lamb that was slain as a sacrifice for our sins. He had to suffer death so that He could defeat death by rising again. By His resurrection power, we too can rise to walk in newness of life, no matter what we have done in the past.

Our faith expressed in Christ through baptism, lets us draw near to God by having our sins forgiven and being reconciled to God. Our garments are no longer stained with sin, but washed white in the blood of the Lamb. This also gives us assurance of eternal life because we know that Christ sits at the right hand of God the Father, interceding for us daily. At one time, each and every one were separated from God the Father. But Christ's death, burial, and resurrection give everyone an opportunity to be in good standing with God and to live with Him for eternity. That is what Easter is all about!

Jesus has done His part, but you have to do your part. What is your part to do? Confess who He is, repent of your sins, and be born again by baptism and a faithful walk thereafter. You can't do without Him and He won't do it without you. Think about what Christ did for you and say thank you by surrendering your life to Him. If you would like to be born again, please call the Church and someone will assist you. Happy Easter everyone, we serve a risen King whose name is Jesus!

Obey God and watch Him work,

# Rodney

# FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF March 24, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP	202
CONTRIBUTION:	\$4754
2024 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5104

# MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING: **Song Leader:** Darin Cochran **Opening Prayer:** Gary Wright Scripture Reading: John Irvin Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-5 Preside Lord's Supper: Jerrie W Barber Right: Josh Copley Left: Chris Love Wes Crowther Quincy Cochran Charley Stone Dwight England Jeff Warren Jack Green Announcements: Darin Cochran Closing Prayer: Lyle Shepherd Van Driver: Jack Green 931-994-8317

# WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Randal Halbrooks Song Leader: Gary Basford Opening Prayer: Kenneth Jett Van Driver: Chris Love 931-994-7855



Thank you for the beautiful wind chimes you sent when mom passed. We are so blessed to be part of such a loving family. Thank you for all the cards, texts and visits. We appreciate all your love and support during such a difficult time.

# With love, Steve, Teresa & Olivia Craft

We appreciate all of the prayers, calls, cards, texts and the beautiful wind chimes that you sent us. Everything was greatly appreciated. We are blessed to have such a caring church family.

> Love to all, Al & Faye Williams

We deeply appreciate all your love and support during this difficult time.

Love, The Family of **Barry Rochelle** 



A contribution was made in memory of **Carolyn Brown & Lorraine Bates** by **Brenda Burchard** for the youth fund.



APRIL

- 1 Olivia Craft
- 4 Emma Borntrager Shanon Irwin
- 5 Barbara Edwards Tyler Stacks
- 6 Landon Graham Kathy Rose Chase Stanley
- 7 Katie Graham
- 8 Sherry Dunn
- Jewell Prince
- 9 Terri Barber Jackson Peebles
- 10 Renee Halbrooks
- 14 Veronica Brown Bridgett Choate Teresa Warren
- 15 Fran Batts Angie Stacks
- 16 Nathaniel Armstrong
- 17 Deneen Clayton
- 18 Brandon James
- 19 Betsy Licciardello Bob Graf Caleb Truett
- 21 Nevaeh Wright
- 22 Teresa Purcell
- 23 Isabella Liddell Joyce Cayce
- 25 Mike Breece
- 26 John Irvin
- Sara Lawson 27 Roy McCoy
- 29 Hester Moss
- 30 Martha Butler



## APRIL

- 6 George & Beverly Petty
- 20 John & Kaitlyn Harris
- 28 Phillip & Roberta Anderson



This year marks the **75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Fairfield** Church of Christ. The elders are seeking volunteers and suggestions to help plan and make this important community milestone a success. If you are willing to help in any way, let one of them know as soon as possible.



Congratulations to the **Freed-Hardeman** Lions for winning the NAIA National Championship this week.

Congratulations to **Stephen Craft** who received SRO of the year in Williamson County.



Today is Easter Sunday. Mike Kelley will speak and we will have Bible classes as usual. Immediately following Bible class, there will be an Easter egg hunt for the children. We will not have a potluck meal afterwards and there will be no evening service that day.



We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us on this Easter Sunday. Your presence is an encouragement and you are always welcome. Please fill out the attendance card you will find in the pew rack and drop it in the basket or leave on the seat and it will be picked up.



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