

# THE PROVIDER

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## Fairfield church of Christ

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### Pulpit Minister:

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

*It is good to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing praises to Your name, O Most High.*

Psalm 92:1

One spring day, a motorist driving on Route 23 near Columbus, Ohio, called the police with an unusual report. A large amount of cash was scattered alongside the highway. Police responded and collected the money.

Although the exact amount wasn't announced, sources close to the case said it added up to tens of thousands of dollars. Officials had no idea where it came from.

The story is reminiscent of the blessings in our lives. Just like the cash littering the highway, blessings are often unexpected and many times overlooked.

The highway of life certainly is not without its headaches and hazards. There are potholes and traffic jams, detours and delays. Sometimes there are steep hills and other times there are sharp curves.

But God litters our way with blessings. The Psalmist proclaims, "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loads us with benefits" (Psalm 68:19).

Maybe we should pump the breaks long enough to ponder how blessed we are. Tens of thousands of blessings attend our way. Goodness and mercy follow us all our days.

Happy people count their blessings. Unhappy people discount theirs. The choice is ours.

*In Christian Love,*

**Mike**





## *Just Joshin'*

It was a beautiful sight to finally be able to see the sunshine once again after the immense rainfall. It had been cloudy for the better part of the week a little over a week ago and these last several days have certainly been ideal weather-wise. I almost had forgotten the sky was blue and that the sun existed.

This got me thinking about how I took days of clear skies and sunshine for granted. I'm sure many of us know the feeling. We take life for granted all the time. We become so accustomed to certain luxuries that many don't have. The water that we drink, the food that we eat, and the roof over our heads are examples that come to mind. We have a church building to worship in. We have a fellowship to have meals together and to host a variety of activities.

My point is that we are a blessed people and sometimes we can forget that. We get bogged down in the negativity of our world. Much like the sunshine a couple of weeks ago, and as the old saying goes, "You never know what you have until it's gone." It's not only objects we take for granted, however. It's people too. We can take for granted our parents, friends, children, or other acquaintances. We can even take God for granted. His Creation, His love, and His grace.

1 Peter 4:7-8 reads, "The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins." This passage reminds us to be aware. The passage of time awaits no one so appreciate what we have. Be mindful when praying and remember to love always. This is a winning formula to counteract the mindset that leads us to take life for granted!

To God be the glory,  
*Josh*



## Consider These Things About Jesus

- He who was the bread of life began His ministry hungry.
- He who was the water of life ended His ministry thirsty.
- He who was often weary is our rest.
- He who paid taxes is the king of the universe.
- He who was called a devil cast out demons.
- He who wept dries our tears.
- He who was sold for 30 pieces of silver redeemed the world.
- He who was led as a lamb to the slaughter is our Good Shepherd.



*Stay in touch with us on social media:*

**Facebook:** *Fairfield church of Christ-Field Family*

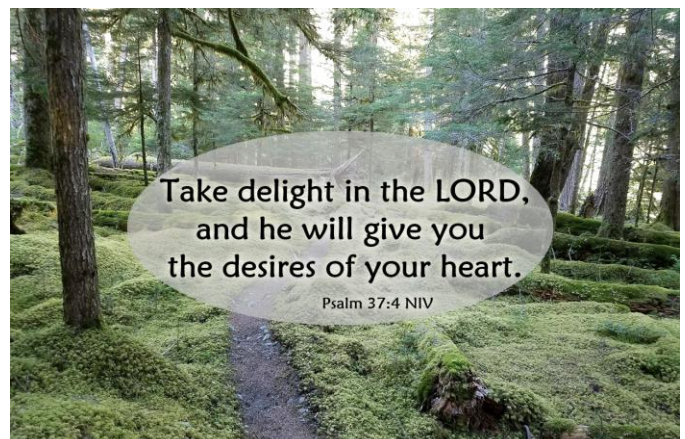
**Instagram:** *fcocfamily*

**Website:** *fairfieldcofc.org*

## FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF April 6, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP	208
CONTRIBUTION:	\$5458
<b>WEEKLY BUDGET</b>	<b>\$5417</b>





## APRIL

Today, 13<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Devo during evening service @ the Field House

15<sup>th</sup> – Middle/High School Devo  
6:30-8:30 @ the Field House

20<sup>th</sup> – Easter Egg Hunt immediately following Sunday School

Plastic candy-filled eggs or individually wrapped candy is needed. Please bring items to the building by April 16<sup>th</sup>. If you need plastic eggs to fill, please see Teresa Craft.

20<sup>th</sup> – Puppet Show during evening service in Lift-Off upstairs in the Education Wing

26<sup>th</sup> – Junior/Senior Retreat  
(See Chris or Arielle Wright or Steve or Teresa Craft for details)

27<sup>th</sup> – Senior Night honoring our High School Seniors:

Emily Anderson, Virginia Bailey, Emma Borntrager, Emily Copley, John Irvin, Mackenzie Kisiel, & Mathew Wright

We will begin with evening service followed by slide show presentations then end with a finger food fellowship in the Fellowship Hall.



*Please come show your support for our Seniors!*

## MEN TO SERVE

### SUNDAY MORNING:

**Song Leader:** Darin Cochran

**Opening Prayer:** Adam Jude

**Scripture Reading:** Robert Graf

**Scripture:** Psalm 1:1-3

**Preside Lord's Supper:** Rodney Rochelle

**Left:** Ken Copley

**Right:** Lafayette Spears

Marty England

Keith Harvill

Erik Hassell

Buddy Chandler

Phillip Coates

James Swaw

**Announcements:** Darin Cochran

**Closing Prayer:** Josh Copley

**Van Driver:** Jack Green 931-994-8317

### SUNDAY EVENING:

**Announcements:** Rick Bruno

**Scripture Reading:** Gerry Hinson

**Scripture:** Romans 4:7-8

**Song Leader:** Gary Basford

**Opening Prayer:** Gary Bailey

**Lord's Supper:** Gary Wright

Boyce Cannon

**Closing Prayer:** Roy McCoy

**Van Driver:** Jack Green 931-994-8317

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

**Announcements:** Gary Wright

**Song Leader:** Gary Basford

**Opening Prayer:** Kenneth Jett

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



## Upcoming Area-Wide Church Events

### April 26<sup>th</sup> - Ladies Day (rescheduled)

at Five Points Church of Christ

Begins @ 10 am

Speaker: Ethel Crowder

### April 27<sup>th</sup> - Friends & Family Day

at Columbia Avenue Church of Christ

Morning Worship @ 11 am

LUNCH

Evening Worship @ 2 pm

### April 30<sup>th</sup> – May 4<sup>th</sup>

at East Hill Church of Christ

Truth in Love Lectureship

"Conversations with Christ"





All **graduating Seniors** need to get their pictures to Teresa Craft by Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>.

There will be a **meeting for all teen girls & ladies** that are interested in helping with the **Ladies Tea** on Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 in Room 104. The Tea is scheduled for May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Ladies Craft Night** will be held April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in Room 104. We will be making favors for the Ladies Tea Party.

**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> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 6:00 pm in room 104.

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



Congratulations to **Gerry Loveless** on the birth of a great-granddaughter, **Lily Mae Proctor**, born Wednesday in Alabama.



**Tawny Totty and her son, CJ Totty**, placed membership with us on Sunday.

**Brandy and Marina Sullivan and their son, Wyatt**, also placed membership with us on Sunday.

*We welcome both of these families to Fairfield!*



**Members:** Willie Powers (home after spending some time in St. Thomas Midtown), Deborah Roberts (returned to the hospital), Carla Woodruff (home), Bobby C. McCoy, Tommy McClanahan, Billy McCoy, Dot Davidson (swing bed St. Thomas Hickman-rehab), Floy Cochran, Ed Sullivan, Jane Washington, Rita Sullivan, Marlin Lawson, Randy Prince, Deborah McClellan, Joyce Boyd, Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Janey Gilbert, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon & Jo Ann Totty.

**Friends & Family:** Preston England, (father of Eric and Marty England & grandfather of Miranda England - diagnosed with cancer), Rodney Tune (home after spending time in the hospital), Mark Tune (knee replacement surgery Wednesday at Southern Hills Hospital), Jimmy Rivers (father of Dawn Mayberry - diagnosed with cancer & receiving treatments), Sunny Anglin (3 yr old from Dickson-leukemia), Jett Owsley (nephew of Allison Jett-4 yrs old-brain cancer), Tanya Rochelle (Horizon-rehab), Brent Burt (cancer), Janet Barber (home), Mary Morphis, Lois Gilbert (home-rehab), 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, 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, David Stewart & Donna Gaspard.

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

**The Bridge, Columbia:** Hattie Mayberry.

### Special Dog

A minister delivered a sermon in ten minutes one Sunday, about a third of the usual length. He explained, "I regret to inform you that my dog, who is very fond of eating paper, ate portions of my sermon which I was unable to deliver this morning."

After the service, a visitor from another congregation shook hands with the preacher and said, "Preacher, if that dog of yours has any pups, I want to get one to give to my minister." Serious question: How much hunger for the Word do you bring on Sundays? Read Matthew 5:6.