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Fairfield Church of Christ

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Darin Cochran ext.11
Worship
Ken Copley ext.17
Education
Steve Craft ext.20
Youth
Randal Halbrooks ext.13
Missions
Shanon Irwin ext.29
Security
O.D. Pratt ext.23
Seniors
Lloyd Rochelle ext.21
Maintenance
Vance Willis ext.26
Finance/IT

Pulpit Minister:

Mike Kelley ext. 2

Associate Minister:

Rodney Rochelle ext.25

Youth Minister:

Chris Wright ext. 3

Worship & Bible Study:

SUNDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

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Mike's Minute

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

(James 1:2-5)

Wisdom is *helpful* during periods of testing. James is writing to people who are going through tough times. He says, "if any of you lacks wisdom..." James implies that as you are being tested in life, one thing you need is wisdom. Wisdom is rightly applying the Word of God to every situation you encounter. It is knowing what God would have you do, rather than viewing the situation from a strictly human standpoint.

If you are like me and find yourself lacking wisdom, you'll be excited to note the second thing that James says about wisdom. Not only is wisdom *helpful* during testing, it is also *available* during testing.

Wisdom is there for the asking. If you ask God for wisdom, He will gladly give it to you. How does He give it? God gives wisdom through His Word. In 2 Timothy 3:15, Paul says this to Timothy, "from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ." The more we saturate our mind with Scripture, the more we store it up in our heart, the wiser we become.

God also gives wisdom through godly people. Proverbs 10:31: "The mouth of the righteous brings forth wisdom." Put yourself in the company of wise, godly people. Listen and learn from what they have to say. You will grow in wisdom. Someone has said, "Wisdom comes from a lifetime of listening when you would rather be speaking."

When you are going through tough times, pray for wisdom! God says it is helpful and it is available.

In Christian Love,

Mike



There will be an Easter egg hunt right after bible class this Sunday. We are needing individually wrapped candy or filled eggs.

The mission committee will meet next Wednesday evening at 6 pm in room 104.

The Golden Agers will be going to the Log Cabin next Thursday. The bus will leave from the building at 5:30 pm. Signup sheets are in both foyers.

On April 28th, after class, Virginia & Dallas Bailey will host a spaghetti luncheon for \$5 a plate with green beans, dessert & drink to raise funds for church camp this summer.

The widows and widowers luncheon this year will be on Saturday, April 27th at 12 noon in the fellowship hall. This year's guest speaker will be Bill McDonald. Signup sheets are in both foyers.

*Men's Prayer Breakfast is every Tues. morning @ 6a in the basement.

*Depression & Bipolar Support meet the 1st & 3rd Tues. evenings @ 6p in the basement.

*The Quilters meet every Thurs. morning @ 9:00a in the basement.

*Narcotics Anonymous meets every Thurs. night at 7p in the basement.

SENIOR NIGHT

May 5th during evening service

Our High School Seniors

for 2019 are:

Allison Cook
Cameron Creech
Garrett Cochran
Olivia Dotson
Mason Ward

We would also like to recognize our college seniors who will be graduating:

Brooke Graham
Cole Patton
Zack Harvill



Maury Regional: Janice King (pneumonia)

Members: Connor Peebles, Dot Davidson, Daisy Beard, Mike Breece, Hester Moss, Christina George, Harry Fielder, James Hassell, Leon Lynn, Martha Harvill, Tony Halfacre, Diane Breece, Christie Hutchings, C.W. & Elizabeth Tarkington, Harold Choate, James Coates, Glenda Coates, & Jo Ann Totty.

Friends & Family: Faye McClellan, Peggy Plunkett Johnson, Ray Woodruff, Alyssa Aydelott (surgery April 30), Mary Spears, Ronnie Pittman, Angie Davis, Lonnie Qualls, Adam Lawson, Sandra Bagwell, Joyce Bates, Arica Hinson, Mark Wright, Linda Goad, Helen Shanes, Bracey Campbell (hospice), Donna Popp, Bobby Mack Dunn, Bobby Brawley, Dorris French, Dana Hall, Mary Ann Wallace, Dorothy Love, Don Glover, Slater Springman, Tana Rochelle Brinke, John Beard, Jimmy George, Jean Greer, Tommy Cagle, Clare Loughrey, Linda Truett, Kathy Brown, Jackson Bates, Steve Scroggins, William Dale Nash & Jimmy Mathis.

Life Care: David Talley (physical therapy), Donald Dorton, Mary Carolyn McClanahan, Kitty Halfacre, Anne Neely, Ray Dudley, Mary England, Georgia Belle Smith, and Jim & Jean Wright.

St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home: Jo Hudgins, Bill Shanes, Sybil Jenkins, & Gladys Primm.

Horizon Rehab: Greg McCord – coming home Friday

NHC Dickson: Dollie Wheeler, Percy Lancaster

Magnolia Place, Waverly: Sarah Brown

NHC Transitions, Columbia: Willie B. Coates

YOUTH CALENDAR FOR APRIL/MAY

April 21 - Egg Hunt following Sunday school. We need individually wrapped candy or filled eggs. See Teresa if you need some eggs.

April 21 - Puppet show during evening service.

April 30 - Desserts & Devo, 6:30 – 8:00 @ the Field House

May 5 - Senior Night 6 pm. Slideshow, finger food in FH.



Thank you so very much for the beautiful wind chimes you gave at the death of my sister. We are so blessed to be a part of such a loving, caring church family.

Willie & Minnie Powers



Center Fielders News

“The Beauty of Baptism”

Don't you just love to attend a baptismal service? Baptism is an external ceremony established by God that symbolizes spiritual truth and experience. It typifies repenting, having one's sins forgiven, and receiving the Holy Spirit of God. It is associated with death of the old carnal nature and resurrection to newness of life. It includes confession of faith, commitment to Christ, and responsibility to His Body, the church. In addition, one receives power for sonship and witnessing, and God writes His law upon that heart.

Baptism also signifies being born again. The new birth is more fact than feeling. Yes, feelings are very much involved, but God has established the facts of salvation for us to believe rather than feel. The new birth is more choice than experience. To have an “experience with the Lord”, is often viewed as having a personal encounter with God through a strongly emotional event or a dream or vision. God is not looking for dramatic experiences but for our voluntary choice to receive Christ and serve Him.

The new birth is more a commitment than emotion. The scriptures tell us the importance of counting the cost and understanding what the will of the Lord is. To take up the cross and follow Jesus daily requires a commitment to truth that continues when emotions have run their course. God invites all people to recognize the facts of the new birth, make the choice to receive it, commit their lives to where it will lead, and experience its life and peace.

Obey God and watch Him work,

Rodney



We express our sincere love and sympathy to the family of **Lee Ann Sanderson**, faithful member here at Fairfield, who passed away suddenly this past Sunday morning. She was the sister of **Janice King** and the mother of **Jennifer Lynn** and **Rickey Sanderson**. Her Celebration of Life was held on Thursday of this week.

EASTER SUNDAY

4 And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people. (Acts 12:4 KJV)

Most churches in our country will be celebrating “Easter” today as they attempt to worship the Lord in their own particular way. Realizing Jesus was crucified the day before the Jewish people celebrated the Passover feast, (John 19:14,31) the crucifixion and resurrection can be safely dated at this time of the year. This has been a practice observed for centuries by churches.

Many church leaders will use the above passage to contend that this was in the mind of Luke as he recorded the arrest of Peter and the practice of the early church. This is the only time in Scripture that there is the possibility of the early church honoring one special day of the year. Every other reference to the day of worship for the church is simply the “first day of the week”. (Acts 20:7 & I Corinthians 16:1,2)

It is interesting that only the King James Version makes reference to Easter while all the other versions correctly refer to the *Passover feast*. (*We are not suggesting this is a reason not to use the King James Version of the Bible, but we must recognize this is possibly a mistake of the translators.*)

There is a danger in emphasizing one day above another especially when it comes to worship. As a result of this practice of the religious world, many will come to worship on “Easter” and/or “Christmas,” and think they have served the Lord sufficiently for the year. They will make this a practice even though Scriptures instructs Christians “not to forsake the assembly” (Hebrews 10:25) during the entire year. It also proves people will do the minimum in their service to the Lord, who gave His life as a sacrifice for the sole purpose of saving obedient believers from their sins. (Luke 19:10)

Bill Hopkins
Ravenna, OH



MEN TO SERVE APR. 21

LORD'S TABLE

Preside: Buddy Chandler
Left: Josh Copley **Right:** Ken Copley
 Boyce Cannon Rusty Bates
 Terry Duncan Gary Basford
 Donnie Fielder Jeff Warren
Alternates: Keith Harvill, Zack Harvill
Basement: Steve Craft, Stephen Graham
Sun. P.M.: Rick Bruno, Gary Basford

PRAYERS & SCRIPTURE

A.M. Scripture Reading: Derek Hutchings
Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:1-5
A.M. Opening Prayer: Willie Powers
A.M. Closing Prayer: Wallace Smith
P.M. Scripture Reading: Jeff Rose
Scripture: John 1:48-50
P.M. Opening Prayer: Dustin Bailey
P.M. Closing Prayer: Mathew Wright
Wed. Opening Prayer: Ken Copley
Wed. Invitation: (Apr 24) Mike Kelley

SONG LEADERS

Sunday A.M. Darin Cochran
Sunday P.M. Justin Beard
Wednesday P.M. (Apr 24) Jeff Rose

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday A.M. Marvin Truett
Sunday P.M. Marvin Truett
Wednesday P.M. (Apr 24) Jerrie W. Barber

VAN DRIVERS

Sunday A.M. Gary Basford 931-628-0355
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Wed. P.M. Gary Basford 931-628-0355
 (Apr 24)

If you are unable to serve in anyway, please call or text Gary Basford at (931)628-0355 or Darin Cochran at (615)418-3148.

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF April 14, 2019
A.M. WORSHIP: 211
CONTRIBUTION: \$4133
2019 WEEKLY BUDGET: \$4167



MAY

- 2 Rhonda Powers
- 5 Elizabeth Peebles
- 7 Christina George
Levi Holt
- 10 Gary Wright
Rodney Rochelle
Loren Roberts
- 11 Terry Barber
- 12 Shirley Gilbert
- 13 Terry Duncan
Claire Willis
Donald Dorton
Harper McCroby
- 14 Amy Liddell
- 17 Elizabeth Tarkington
- 19 Phillip Anderson
- 23 Jordan Prince
- 24 Daveigh Cochran
Kylie Jean Duncan
- 25 Whitney Carroll
- 26 Alison Jacobs
- 27 Retha Duncan
Rusty Bates



MAY

- 3 Jeffrey & Elizabeth Peebles
- 5 Justin & Shelby Bates
- 9 Terry & Retha Duncan
- 14 Paul & Noble Victory
- 18 Gerry & Sarah Hinson
- 20 Ken & Mary Copley
- 22 Kurt & Lisa Hellmann
Ronald & Jennifer Lynn
- 26 Willie & Minnie Powers

