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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

I have heard many such things; miserable comforters are you all!

Job 16:2

Humorist Arnold H. Glasgow said, "A loyal friend laughs at your jokes when they are not so good and sympathizes with your problems when they're not so bad."

Job's friends seemed to start that way during his crisis. We read in Job 2:11, "When Job's three friends heard of all this adversity that had come upon him, each one came from his own place... For they had made an appointment together to come and mourn with him, and to comfort him."

Job's pals began well. They sat with him on the ground seven days and seven nights and grieved with him. No words were spoken. The friends were sensitive to Job's despair as he shared his heart with them.

But, when they opened their mouths and began spouting opinions, most of which were full of misinformation, their well-meaning visit took a wrong turn.

This led an exasperated Job to nickname them "miserable comforters."

How many times have we played the role of Job's friends? We come alongside our friends. We weep when they weep and laugh when they laugh. So far, so good. But then we start spouting opinions about this or that and our attempt at encouragement goes downhill from there.

Before we begin speaking to a hurting friend, let's ask God for wisdom. Let's ask Him to give us the right words. Words that build up and comfort. Lest we, too, become miserable comforters.

In Christian Love,







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It's a very important holiday that we, as Christians, are celebrating. It's a day that holds the most weight, even if it doesn't get the same corporate attention as Christmas, Halloween, or Thanksgiving. It's the day that our Savior defeated death. It's the day that the tomb was found empty.

Of course, I'm talking about Easter Sunday. Last week, we saw the preparation for this holiday, which we refer to as "Palm Sunday," the day that Jesus made his grand entry into Jerusalem. Later in the week, we observed "Good Friday." The name was always so strange because, for those present, I can imagine witnessing the death of Jesus was anything but "good."

However, it was good because it had to happen. Without first a death, what is there to resurrect from? Easter is the grand finale. The resurrection of Jesus. Without this holiday and without this event, our lives are meaningless. If Jesus never truly came back from the dead then He wasn't God. He wasn't a Savior. He wasn't Who the Bible claimed Him to be.

1 Peter 1:3 reads, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead..." Peter specifies the hope we have through the *resurrection*. We are born again through it. Our sins are washed away from the blood that was shed. Jesus, in the greatest showcasing of power the world had ever seen, saved us all! So, let's live a life, through the resurrection, that honors the sacrifice!

To God be the glory,

Josh



Congratulations to **Hannah Irwin** for her baptism into Christ on April 10th. Hannah is the daughter of Sydney Irwin and the late Shanon Irwin. Welcome to God's family, Hannah! We are all so proud of you!





Stay in touch with us on social media:

Facebook: Fairfield church of Christ - Field Family

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FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF April 13, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP 245 CONTRIBUTION: \$5785 WEEKLY BUDGET \$5417





APRIL

20th – 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 16th. If you need plastic eggs to fill, please see Teresa Craft.

20th - Puppet Show during evening service in Lift-Off upstairs in the Education Wing

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

27th - 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 on Sunday evening,
April 27th!

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran Opening Prayer: Gary Wright Scripture Reading: Zack Harvill Scripture: Psalm 136:1-4

Preside Lord's Supper: Randal Halbrooks
Left: Robert Graf Right: Steve Baker
Boyce Cannon Wes Crowther
Tony McCoy
Jeff Warren Rusty Bates

Announcements: Darin Cochran Closing Prayer: Buddy Chandler Van Driver: Angie Green 931-219-7979

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Randal Halbrooks
Scripture Reading: Chris Love
Scripture: Romans 5:1-5
Song Leader: Gary Basford
Opening Prayer: Ken Copley
Lord's Supper: Gary Basford

Phillip Coates

Closing Prayer: Gerry Hinson

Van Driver: Angie Green 931-219-7979

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Rick Bruno Song Leader: Mike Kelley Opening Prayer: Roy McCoy

Van Driver: Chris Love 931-994-7855



Upcoming Area-Wide Church Events

April 26th - Ladies Day (rescheduled)

at Five Points Church of Christ Begins @ 10 am Speaker: Ethel Crowder

April 27th - Friends & Family Day

at Columbia Avenue Church of Christ Morning Worship @ 11 am LUNCH Evening Worship @ 2 pm

April 30th - May 4th

at East Hill Church of Christ Truth in Love Lectureship "Conversations with Christ"



Change of location: The Men's Prayer Breakfast that meets Tuesday mornings at 6:00 am will be moved to the Fellowship Hall instead of the basement starting this week. Please come join us!

Matthew Dotson will be our speaker Sunday, April 27th, for our morning worship service.

The **Golden Agers** will have a potluck fellowship Thursday, April 24th, at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

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

The **Ladies' Bible Class** meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:00 pm in room 104.



Kollins June Tohn was born Sunday, April 13th at 1:19 pm to Ellie Aydelott & Conor Tohn. She weighed 5 lbs, 14 oz and was 18 ¾" long.

Congratulations to:

Grandparents, Misty & Jonathan Aydelott, Great-Grandparents, Gary & Kita Wright, Great-Great-Grandmother, Floy Cochran, & Aunt and Uncle, Alyssa & Matthew Cozart.

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A warm welcome to **Whitney Tidwell** who placed membership this past Sunday, along with her children, **Annabelle & Aiden**.
Welcome to Fairfield, Tidwell Family!

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To the family of **Keith Semore** who passed away on Saturday, April 12th. The funeral was Thursday at McDonald Funeral Home.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Jan Campbell (sick at home following an ER visit), Willie Powers, Deborah Roberts, Carla Woodruff, Bobby C. McCoy, Tommy McClanahan, Billy McCoy, Floy Cochran, Ed Sullivan, Jane Washington, Rita Sullivan, Marlin Lawson, Deborah McClellan, Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Janey Gilbert, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon & Jo Ann Totty

Friends & Family: Charlie Golden (son of Courtney McCov. will have surgery at Vanderbilt on April 22nd). Tanya Rochelle (back in hospital, had surgery to clean out infection on Tuesday), Preston England, Rodney Tune (home), Mark Tune (home), Jimmy Rivers, Sunny Anglin, Jett Owsley, Brent Burt (cancer), Janet Barber, Mary Morphis, Lois Gilbert (home-rehab), Glenda Coates, Anthony Stacks (hospice-home), Mildred Rochelle, Amalia Rose Shaw, Edna Copley, B.Y. Peery, Doug True, Davy Baker, Lottie (Terrell) Williams, 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, Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler, David Stewart & Donna Gaspard

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

The Bridge, Columbia: Hattie Mayberry

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



The family of **Daisy Beard** deeply appreciates your kindness and are so very grateful for the warm, beautiful meal you all provided to our family and friends after her funeral. It was so nice to gather with our friends and family, enjoy a delicious lunch, and share memories of Daisy. Our sincere thanks to everyone who made lunch possible. And please accept this donation to use in other community efforts.