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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



Mike's Minute

Do not speak evil of one another, brethren. He who speaks evil of a brother and judges his brother speaks evil of the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. There is one Lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy. Who are you to judge another?

James 4:11-12

We have all encountered overly critical people. These are the people who always have something negative to say about everyone and never give a compliment or speak an encouraging word. They brighten a room... just by walking *out of it!*

Many times, people are critical because they want others to think better of them. They want to be seen as witty, clever, or discerning.

Ultimately, however, a critical spirit acts as a repellent. Who wants to be friends with a negative person who constantly criticizes the people around them? No one wants to live in anticipation of being the next target of criticism.

If you will be critical *to me*, you will be critical *about me*. We all know this to be true.

James challenges us to avoid speaking evil about each other. God alone stands as Judge. He commands us to love, support and encourage each other.

The observation made by Thomas Watson is worth our meditation... "God has set a double fence before the tongue, the teeth and the lips, to teach us to be wary that we offend not with our tongue."

In Christian Love,

Mike





Just Joshin'

On this final Sunday in April, we celebrate our seniors. These young guys and girls have meant so much to our congregation during their tenure in the Fairfield youth group. Perhaps I'm a little biased, seeing as I'm only 22, but I believe that the youth is one of the most important elements of a church. They are the future Christians of the world, not just of Fairfield.

There are often verses that we think about when addressing the youth, but I believe they can be applied to any age.

Proverbs 3:5-6 reads, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths."

Jeremiah 29:11 reads, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."

These passages offer us great reassurance. Even we adults find ourselves trying to go about life our own way, but we quickly find out that it doesn't get us far. Sometimes, with all the negativity that we face in the world, it's hard to imagine a happy ending. There are so many twists and turns, how can we possibly know where to go?

Well, we can't know...not on our own anyway. Thankfully, we serve an all-powerful and all-knowing God. Let Him be your navigator!

To God be the glory,

Josh



MAY

- 1 Daniel Green
- 2 Rhonda Powers
- 3 Steve Atkinson
- 5 Elizabeth Peebles
- 7 Christina George
Levi Holt
- 10 Josie Hassell
Gary Wright
Rodney Rochelle
Loren Roberts
- 11 Terry Barber
- 13 Terry Duncan
Claire Willis
- 14 Amy Springer
- 16 Greg Bates
- 18 Lizzie Barber
- 19 Phillip Anderson
- 23 Jordan Prince
Gerry Loveless
- 24 Jennifer Beasley
Daveigh Cochran
Kylie Jean Duncan
- 25 Whitney Carroll
- 26 Alison Stanley
- 27 Retha Duncan
Rusty Bates



MAY

- 3 Jeffrey & Elizabeth Peebles
- 5 Justin & Shelby Bates
- 9 Terry & Retha Duncan
- 15 Eric & Brittany Gilbert
- 16 Wesley & Carrie Crowther
- 18 Gerry & Sarah Hinson
- 20 Ken & Mary Copley
- 21 Damon & Jennifer McCoy
- 22 Kurt & Lisa Hellmann
Ronald & Jennifer Lynn
- 25 Zack & Anslee Bentley
- 26 Willie & Minnie Powers
- 28 Blake & Katie Graham



APRIL

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!*



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 20, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP	345
CONTRIBUTION:	\$6,106
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5,417

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Chris Wright

Scripture Reading: Keith Harvill

Scripture: Ezekiel 28:25-26

Preside Lord's Supper: Mike Breece

Left: Rick Bruno **Right:** Jerrie W Barber

Larry Pimm Gary Bailey

Carl Daugherty Adam Jude

Kenneth Jett Cole Patton

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Mathew Wright

Van Driver: Gary Basford 931-628-0355

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Gary Wright

Scripture Reading: Wes Crowther

Scripture: Psalm 25:1-5

Song Leader: Gary Basford

Opening Prayer: Lafayette Spears

Lord's Supper: Roy McCoy
Gerry Hinson

Closing Prayer: Wayne Prince

Van Driver: Gary Basford 931-628-0355

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Rick Bruno

Song Leader: Rodney Rochelle

Opening Prayer: Lafayette Spears

Van Driver: Chris Love 931-994-7855



Upcoming Area-Wide Church Events

April 30th – May 4th
at East Hill Church of Christ
Truth in Love Lectureship
"Conversations with Christ"

Upcoming Events:

Matthew Dotson will be our speaker today for our morning worship service.

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!

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.



Mary Morphis placed membership with us this past Sunday. Mary is the mother of Sherry Dunn. We are so glad to have you as part of the Fairfield Family, Mary!



To the family of **James Easley** who passed away last Saturday, April 19th. His visitation is today from 10 am - 2 pm, with service at 2 pm at McDonald Funeral Home. Motorcycle riders are welcome to participate in the final ride to Oakmont Cemetery.



Congratulations to **Sherrie Talley** on her baptism! Welcome to God's family, Sherrie!

The **jail ministry** had 4 baptisms recently. Those baptized were **Tiffany Riggs, Michelle Collins, Kristin O'Connor, and James Hedge.**

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Charlie Golden (son of Courtney McCoy, had surgery at Vanderbilt on April 22nd, now back home), Willie Powers, Deborah Roberts, 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: Tanya Rochelle (still in Centennial Hospital), Preston England, Rodney Tune (home), Mark Tune (home), Jimmy Rivers, Sunny Anglin, Jett Owsley, Brent Burt (cancer), Janet Barber, 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

Life Care: 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.



Thank you so much for all the love, calls, cards, and especially your prayers at the death of my sisters, **Daisy and Brenda**, and for the delicious meal and beautiful chimes.

Love,
Willie Powers and Family