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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

My child, listen to me and do as I say, and you will have a long, good life. I will teach you wisdom's ways and lead you in straight paths. When you walk, you won't be held back; when you run, you won't stumble.

Proverbs 4:11-12

One day, 3 rough looking fellows on motorcycles pulled up to a highway cafe. Inside, they found only a waitress, a cook, and one truck driver. Though he drove an 18-wheeler, the truck driver was a little guy, perched on a stool at the counter. He was quietly eating his lunch.

The bikers were angry, feeling the driver had cut them off several miles back. They decided to get their revenge on this innocent man. They grabbed his food away from him, mocked him, laughed in his face and taunted him. The truck driver didn't say a word. He just got up, paid for his meal, and walked out.

One of the men, unhappy that he hadn't been able to provoke the truck driver into a fist fight, said to the waitress, "He sure wasn't much of a man, was he?"

The waitress replied, "I guess not." Then, glancing out the window, she added, "I guess he's not much of a truck driver either. He just ran over 3 motorcycles on his way out of the parking lot."

We love to blame others for our problems, but here is the uncomfortable truth... Many of the problems we have in life are of our own making. Now would be a good time to ask God for wisdom to make choices that will keep us out of trouble in the future.

Wisdom is the quality that keeps you from getting into situations where you need it!

In Christian Love,

Mike





Just Joshin'

“For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up! Again, if two lie together, they keep warm, but how can one keep warm alone? And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him—a threefold cord is not quickly broken.” Ecclesiastes 4:10-12 ESV

I love Ecclesiastes 4:10-12 because it emphasizes the importance of togetherness in the Christian faith. In the month of May, I had to miss back-to-back Sunday evening services, however, being the lucky guy that I am, I had two wonderful friends-in-the-faith that I could fall back on. I am so appreciative to work with Mike Kelley and our new youth minister, Dalton Thomasson. The truth is, we all need strong, honest, and reliable Christian friends. Life happens and we can't always tackle it alone. God made us to be social creatures and to create bonds with one another with Him as the foundation. Making those friends can be a challenge sometimes, though, right? Being vulnerable, opening ourselves up, and risking rejection is all a part of finding those people that you need in your life. It can be scary, for sure, but oh, is it worth it when you find the right ones. Perhaps, God has already given you those people. Don't take them for granted. There's plenty of wickedness in this world and it's much easier to face it with like-minded believers alongside you!

To God be the glory,
Josh

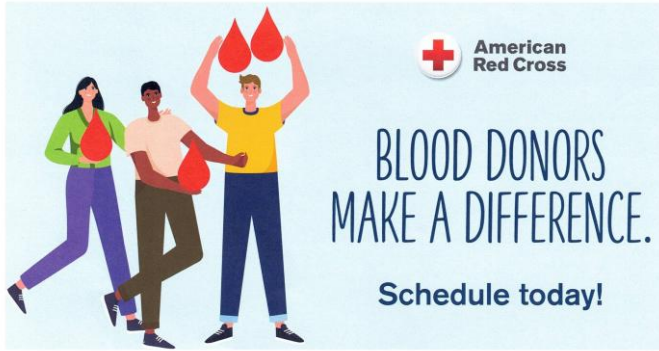


Sympathy to the family of **Ruth Ann Carathers**. Visitation with the family will be Saturday, **May 30th** from 4-8 pm, with funeral Sunday, **May 31st** at 2 pm at McDonald Funeral Home. We will have a meal for the family after the burial.

LADIES TEA



A big THANK YOU to all the women who helped and attended the Ladies Tea last Sunday. It was a wonderful day. And, also thank you to everyone who brought items for Women Are Safe.



Blood Drive
Centerville Community
Fairfield Church of Christ

Fellowship Hall
 1860 Hwy. 100
 Centerville, TN 37033

Monday, June 1, 2026
1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

To schedule an appointment, please visit:
RedCrossBlood.org and enter
 sponsor code: **Centerville19**



Clearview church of Christ VBS
 Put on the Full Armor of God
 June 1-3, 2026 at 7:00 pm

Classes for all ages
 Snacks and refreshments afterwards in the
 Fellowship Room
 Speaker: Joe Rhodes

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran
Opening Prayer: Jeff Stacks
Scripture Reading: Gary Bailey
Scripture: Numbers 6:24-26
Preside Lord's Supper: Josh Copley
Left: Mathew Wright **Right:** Ronny Pitman
 Edwin Wright Don Beard
 Marty England Tony McCoy
 Phillip Coates Zack Harvill

Announcements: Darin Cochran
Closing Prayer: Randal Halbrooks
Van Driver: Gary Basford (931-628-0355)

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Gary Basford
Scripture Reading: Boyce Cannon
Scripture: Ecclesiastes 4:10-12
Song Leader: Ronny Pitman
Opening Prayer: Roy McCoy
Lord's Supper: Gary Bailey, Gary Basford
Closing Prayer: Wayne Prince
Van Driver: Gary Basford (931-628-0355)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Gary Wright
Song Leader: Steve Atkinson
Opening Prayer: Chris Wright
Van Driver: Chris Love (931-994-7855)

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF May 17, 2026

MORNING WORSHIP	185
CONTRIBUTION	\$5,577
2026 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5,417

Welcome to all our visitors. Please fill out a visitor's card and leave it on the seat so we can have a record of your visit.



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



UPCOMING EVENTS

Congratulations to all of our high school seniors who graduated on Saturday.

May 31st is the 5th Sunday. Steve Baggett will be the speaker for the day. We will have a covered dish lunch after Bible study, with the afternoon service at approximately 12:30. There will be no 6 pm service.

For several years, some of our young people have been taking care of the church sign. They are no longer able to do this. If you are interested in helping with keeping the sign updated, please see one of the elders.

The **Ladies' Bible Class** will meet this coming Tuesday, May 26th at 6:00 pm in room 104.

The **Men's Prayer Breakfast** meets Tuesday mornings at 6:00 am in the **basement**.

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

Memorial Day

Memory is an important part of the human experience. God created our minds in such a way that we can store information regarding past events and recall that information in the future. These facts range from the mundane tasks of life, such as brushing our teeth every day because we learned the necessity of doing so in the past, to more profound concepts, such as the sacrifices made by American soldiers throughout history who fought and died to protect others in our nation and world.

On Monday, our country will remember those valiant soldiers who donned the uniform of service to their fellowman, and gave their lives for freedom, a cause they deemed greater than themselves. We remember their great sacrifices, and acknowledge the biblical precept of laying down our lives for others (John 15:13).

On Sunday, Christians will gather to remember the One who taught us to sacrifice for others. Jesus lived a life of service, spending His time on earth doing good (Acts 10:38), teaching truth (John 6:63; Eph. 4:21), and ultimately giving His perfect life as an atonement for our sins (John 10:18).

There are many memorials man observes throughout his days. But there is none so important as the one commanded by God: The Lord's supper (Matt. 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:23-26). Let us not fail to remember the supreme sacrifice, and let us proclaim His death until He comes!

Matt Clifton

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Glenda Newsom (Horizon hospital), Brenda Fly, Barbara Kelley, Jeff Rose, Yvonna Caillouet, Woody Woodruff, Amber McDonald, Dana McCaleb, Preston Rochelle, Dot Davidson, Gerry Loveless, Shelby Bates, Brandy Sullivan, Dave Davidson, Adam Lawson, Marlin & Barbara Lawson, Brenda Carroll, Sherrie Talley, Billy McCoy, Ed Sullivan, Rita Sullivan, Lelia Mae Poore, & Dorothy Weatherspoon

Friends & Family: Cheryl Barringer (sister of Matthew Cozart-surgery Friday), Davy Baker, Leroy Cannon, Brenda Kirk (mother of Tracy Edwards McCord), Linda Thomasson (grandmother of Dalton), Terry Hicks (St. Thomas Rehab), Tammy Boone, Frances McMeen (friend of Martha Butler-cancer), Mike Avery, Hayes Harrington (3-week-old nephew of Dannie George-Vanderbilt Children's hospital), Brenda Horner, Richie Spann (brother-in-law of Terri Barber), Hilda Atkinson (home), Doug Gardner (cancer), Gail Barber, Donald Brady, Tammy Wright, Amalia Rose Shaw, Regina Elkins, Kathryn Purcell, Randy Pitman, Dottie McClellan, Jimmy Rivers, Sunny Anglin, Mildred Rochelle, Edna Copley, Doug True, Linda Canady, Paul Harvill, Ronnie Carroll, Ryan Edwards, Willie Lawler, Pat Garrett, Cory Patterson, Carolyn Nash, Ila Faye Jenkins, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Kevin Chandler, David Stewart & Donna Gaspard

Life Care: Bobby C. McCoy, Willie B Coates, Carolyn Phillips, Cynthia Butler

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

Memorial

Richard & Linda Smith made a contribution in memory of **Sherry Breece**.



May

31st - 5th Sunday - Steve Baggett