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Fairfield church of Christ

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Benevolence
Darin Cochran ext.11
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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
Jeff Stacks ext.22
Transportation
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 10:20 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Family Line:

931-729-9846

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fairfieldcofc.org



Mike's Minute

Someone has said, "If you would be happy, keep your wants few and simple." There is a great deal of truth in that statement. *Unhappiness comes when there is a gap between what we desire and what we have.*

Our modern system of advertising says that happiness lies in having the newest, the best, the most luxurious of all kinds of all things. The system is designed to create more cravings in us than we could ever satisfy. But there is no way to have everything that you might conceivably want.

As someone else has said, "You can't *have everything*. Where would you put it?"

True happiness is not having what you want. It is wanting what you have. Happiness is best achieved by controlling cravings, wants and desires... and keeping them in close range with what you have the ability to acquire.

The current news cycle is all about the high (and rising) cost of living. Christians ought to not only survive, but thrive, in this environment because we are taught by our Lord to live simple lives. We are taught to seek first His kingdom. We are taught to live one day at a time. We are taught not to worry about what we will eat or drink or wear.

With the skyrocketing cost of living, why don't we plan to enjoy a simple summer. With gas prices nearing all time highs, maybe we should consider staying home more often. We can spend time with our families, get to know our neighbors, enjoy the yard and porch and patio. We can make our trips to worship the big events in our week. Folks used to live like that and they were happier than we are today.

Let's also remember and remind others of the *high cost of low living*. What's really inflating in our country is sin. Violence, unbelief, unfaithfulness, anger, selfishness, godlessness... these sins are costing us more than we could ever estimate. As Christians, let's be done with low living!

A simple summer for the Savior. I believe I can afford that!

In Christian Love,

Mike





It was good to see **Barbara Chandler & Lelia Mae Poore, Terry Duncan, Ralph & Patsy Givens, Lizzie Barber, Rodney Rochelle, Cindy Bailey** at service last Sunday, and good to see **Willie Powers** back on Wednesday night.

Ladies craft night is this coming Monday, June 13th at 6 pm in room 104. Please bring your sewing machine.

Dads and their families will meet in the Fellowship Hall starting at 8am on Fathers' Day, June 19th, for Donuts with Dad as we honor our fathers on that day. Please sign up in either foyer by June 15th if you plan to attend.

Golden Agers will be going to the Junk Yard Dog in Hohenwald on Thursday, June 23rd. The bus will leave here at 5:30. Sign-up sheets are in both foyers.



We express our sympathy to the family of **David Dansby** who passed away. David was very active in our town such as, assistant and later director of the Hickman County library, alderman, vice mayor, Imagination Library, Hickman County Ag Pavilion and fair board, Lions Club, Grinders Switch Foundation, Hickman County grand jury, and many more civic organizations. His funeral was Friday.

We also express sympathy to the family of **Billy Duncan**, father of **Tommy Duncan** who passed away.

RESPONSES

Boyce Cannon responded to the invitation last Sunday morning.

Stormie Edwards placed membership with us last Sunday. We welcome you Stormie!

We are happy that **Jacob Gunter**, grandson of **Joyce Gunter**, was baptized by Mike Kelley Wednesday night. We welcome him to our church



Members: Noble Victory (home after being in Life Care Center), Brenda Stoltz, Janey Gilbert, Butch Sullivan, Deborah Peery, Harry Totty, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes, Lou Dickens (home), Paul Victory, Dewayne Victory & Jo Ann Totty.

Friends & Family: Mike Rhea, Jimmy Loveless, Helen Jerpe, Michael Harvill, Jay Pickard, Mary Spears, Christians, missionaries, military personal & people in the Ukraine, Connie Johnston, Mark Walton, J.B. Brown, Nancy Clancy, Gus Gilreath, Willie Taylor, Everett Kelly (Horizon-pneumonia), Ray Weatherspoon (home), Kevin Chandler, Jo James, Lucille Morphis, Wanda Gilliam Felts, Cody Crawford, Linda Goad, Doris & Marjorie Claud, Rebeca Mears, Greg Zoller, Seth Williams, Elizabeth Dunn, Kelley Wilson, Billie Church, Daniel Spears, Ann Spencer, Thomas Brady, Donald Brady, Doris Elam, Neil Jobe, Donna Gaspard, Rita Stacks, Jimmy Jenkins, Ruby Church, Carolyn Nash, Kathy Swinford Coleman, Grayson Gunter, Jimmy George & William Dale Nash.

Life Care: Anthony Stacks, Wilma Green, Francis Qualls, Hester Moss

St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home: Barbara Beard (hospice), Naomi Bailey

Olive Branch Senior Living, Dickson: Martha Page

Yvonna Caillouett has shingles and is scheduled for foot surgery on Monday. She has requested prayers.



June 12 - Puppet Show during evening service in Lift-off

June 17 - Middle/High School outing

June 19 - 3rd-5th grade Devo, during evening service @ FH

June 21 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH



Center Fielders News

“The Soul That Sinneth Shall Die”

Ezekiel 18:20 says, “The soul who sins is the one who will die. The son will not share the guilt of the father, nor will the father share the guilt of the son.”

We live in a blame game society. No one wants to accept accountability. The jails are overflowing with supposedly innocent people. The cold fact remains that guilt or innocence is determined by what we do, not by what we think or say. We are personally responsible to God for our own life. We will be judged by what we do, not by what others do. It is sad when we let others influence us to commit sin. We need to remember daily, the soul that sinneth, it shall die. Never can I excuse my wrong because of another person and be justified before God.

The blame game has no power to change the ruling of God’s command. Yes, we can blame the person that we allowed to influence us wrongly, but the rule still applies. The church leaders were unfair! The school dealt unjustly with our son or daughter! The other family’s children were a bad influence on our children! The list of excuses is endless! Sad to say, many will come to the judgment with only a bag of excuses.

The blood of Jesus will take care of the blame game. God expects personal uprightness and accountability even when wickedness is all around us. God expects us to be honest. No cheater will enter Heaven, regardless of profession or claims of religion. We all need to take personal responsibility before God for our actions, and never try to shift blame if we do wrong. Instead of blaming others for our failures, we need to live in victory over sin by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Obey God and watch Him work,

Rodney

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF June 6, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP	208
CONTRIBUTION:	\$5546
2022 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$4167

MEN TO SERVE JUNE 12

SUNDAY MORNING:

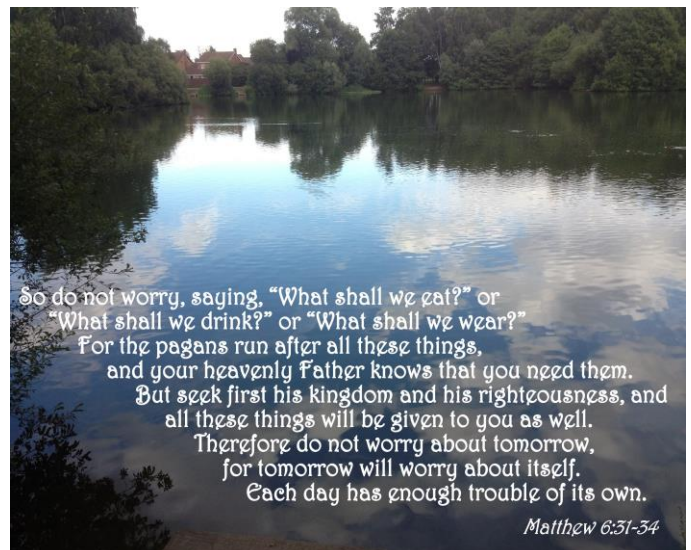
Song Leader: Darin Cochran
Opening Prayer: Jerrie W Barber
Scripture Reading: Rick Bruno
Scripture: Matthew 6:31-34
Preside Lord’s Supper: Willie Powers
Alternates: Kenneth Jett, Bobby McCoy
Announcements: Darin Cochran
Closing Prayer: Zack Harvill
Van Driver: Angie Green 931-219-7979

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Mike Batts
Scripture Reading: Skyler Irvin
Scripture: Acts 4:1-4
Song Leader: Jeff Rose
Opening Prayer: Wayne Prince
Lord’s Supper: Gary Basford, Adam Jude
Closing Prayer: Rick Bruno
Van Driver: Angie Green 931-219-7979

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:


Announcements: Mike Batts
Song Leader: Bobby McCoy
Opening Prayer: Lafayette Spears
Invitation: Mike Batts
Van Driver: Chris Love 931-994-7855



GRACE

Grace isn't earned, it's a gift. Just as you didn't qualify yourself to earn God's love, you can't disqualify yourself from the grace of God. God placed His best in you.

Join us for
 "VBS 2022- Heroes of Faith"
 at Fairfield Church of Christ



July 10 (6-7 pm) Classes; (7-8pm) Ice cream fellowship
 July 17 and 24 (6-7 pm) Classes, crafts, snacks
 July 31 (4-6 pm) Celebrating the end of VBS with water fun, inflatables, and pizza

We need teachers and assistants for VBS. Teacher sign-up sheet is in the educational wing foyer.



Join us for Vacation Bible School!
June 22nd - 25th
 Clearview Church of Christ
 7747 Clearview Church Rd. Lyles, TN 37098
Classes for all ages
 Wednesday - Friday at 7 p.m.
 Saturday at 3 p.m.
 followed by a cookout and fellowship
 Guest Speakers: Steve Baggett, Matt Miller, Joe Rhodes and Justin Darnell



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
 RESTORE AND REBUILD
 EZRA & NEHEMIAH
 CENTERVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST
 June 13-15
 9am
 Classes for all Ages
 Bible Skills
 Inflatables
 Refreshments
 CENTERVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST
 138 North Central Avenue, Centerville, Tennessee



Congratulations to **Terry and Lisa Barber** on the birth of a grandson, **Hayston Luke Barber!** He was born June 6th to Lucas Barber and Kayla Rowe.

Paradoxical Commandments of Leadership

People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered.

Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish ulterior motives.

Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies.

Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you.

Be honest and frank anyway.

What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight.

Build anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous.

Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow.

Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have and it may just never be enough.

Give the world the best you have anyway.

You see, in the final analysis, it's all between you and God.

It was never between you and them anyway.

Kent M. Keith



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Facebook: Fairfield church of Christ-Field Family
Instagram: fcocfamily