

# THE PROVIDER

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## Fairfield church of Christ

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### Pulpit Minister:

Mike Kelley - 931-994-1911

### Associate Minister:

Josh Copley - 931-994-3944

### Youth Minister:

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

*By this will all men know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.*

John 13:35

When a non-Christian walks inside a church building to worship, his or her *first* observation should be this: "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

Have they come to the right church? There are so many choices of which church to attend. How will they know we are genuine disciples of Jesus? If they see that we love each other, they will know they are in the right place.

Tertullian wrote in the early third century, "It is mainly the deeds of a love so noble that lead many to put a brand on us! 'See,' they say, 'how they love one another... see how they are ready even to die for one another.'"

In the early church, the obvious and active love of Christians for one another was a powerful testimony to a Roman world with its sharp social divisions.

Nothing surprises a fractured world more than a community in which radical, faithful, genuine love is shared among its members. There are many places you can go to find people with shared interests. The church can and should stand out in the world as *the place* for unconditional love.

*In Christian Love,*

**Mike**





*Just Joshin'*

It has been outrageously hot over the course of this past week. It seems like you can barely step outside without immediately sweating. When we subject ourselves to these temperatures, our bodies become fatigued, dehydrated, and, ultimately, drained. We can fix this problem by stepping inside the house, turning on the AC, and drinking some cold ice water. Now, what happens when life's circumstances start draining us? I'm not talking physically but spiritually. Well, we can make some parallels to our solutions for the extreme heat. When life is beating down on us, like the sun has been these past few days, we can always step into the presence of the Lord. Simply being near to Him can bring us a sense of peace and comfort. When we're exhausted, God can feel distant. He can feel far away. However, Psalms 119:89-90 tells us, "Forever, O Lord, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; you have established the earth, and it stands fast."

God is the same now as He was when He created the universe. Your circumstances will not change Him. Your circumstances are not greater than Him. There are so many blessings around us that God has given that are here to encourage and replenish. When we are spiritually worn thin, we can find rest in God's presence and comfort in our brothers and sisters in Christ. We can pray for strength and seek answers in the Word. There are solutions to our fatigue that have been handed to us. We just have to use them!

To God be the glory,

**Josh**



Today is our 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday June 29<sup>th</sup> and Mark McFarlin will be our speaker for the day. Worship at 9 am, Bible study to follow and a potluck in the Fellowship Hall. Afternoon service will be about 12:30pm.



**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 June 22, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP	216
CONTRIBUTION:	\$6,052
<b>WEEKLY BUDGET</b>	<b>\$5,417</b>

On behalf of our family, I want to extend our heartfelt thanks for the support you showed during the loss of my dad, **James Coates**. The beautiful lantern you gave was such a meaningful and comforting gift. Thank you also for the delicious meal that was prepared for our family. A special thank you to Mike Kelley for his touching and comforting words at the service. Thank you for your support, your prayers and love during this difficult time.

With love,  
**Ginger & Jeremy James  
& Family**



## JULY

- 1 Asher Demary  
George Petty, Jr.
- 4 Roberta Anderson
- 6 Jan Choate
- 7 Meredith Kelley
- 9 Zack Bentley  
Kaitlyn Harris
- 12 Keith Plunkett
- 13 Ella Truett
- 14 Miranda England
- 15 Charlie Golden
- 16 Dawn Mayberry
- 17 Don Beard  
Dwight England  
Adam Jude
- 18 Hudson Bates
- 19 Joni Prince
- 20 Suzanne Lewis
- 21 Kathryn McCoy
- 22 Paulette Baker
- 23 Barbara Chandler  
Ryan Brady
- 25 Jeffrey Peebles
- 27 Buddy Chandler  
Donnie Fielder  
Harry Totty
- 30 Lisa Barber



## JULY

- 1 John & Carol Anderson
- 7 Adam & Sarah Jude
- 10 Tony & Denise McCoy
- 12 Adam & Charlie Lawson
- 14 Lafayette & Liz Spears
- 15 Rodney & Sharon Rochelle
- 16 Chris & Teresa Kimbro
- 18 Marlin & Barbara Lawson
- 20 Darin & Lori Cochran
- 23 Randal & Renee Halbrooks
- 24 Edward & Melinda Sullivan
- 27 Gary & Janet Basford
- 28 Bob & Bobbie Graf
- 31 David & Tina Johnson  
Dwight & Reba England

## MEN TO SERVE

## SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Jerrie W Barber

Scripture Reading: Randal Halbrooks

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:1-4

Preside Lord's Supper: Adam Jude

Left: Josh Copley Right: Carter Bates

Quincy Cochran

James Jett

John Irvin

Matthew Wright

Brett Wilson

Edwin Wright

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Jeff Stacks

Van Driver: Jack Green (931-994-8317)

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON:

Scripture Reading: Wallace Smith

Scripture: Matthew 6:25-34

Song Leader: Gary Basford

Opening Prayer: Rodney Rochelle

Closing Prayer: Matthew Wright

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Gary Basford

Song Leader: Ronny Pitman

Opening Prayer: Boyce Cannon

Van Driver: Chris Love (931-994-7855)



## JULY

13<sup>th</sup> – 6:00-7:00 pm Happy Tales Bible Ranch

VBS - Parable of the Talents

7:00-7:30 pm Rice Krispy Treats &amp; Haystacks

Candy Snacks provided in the Fellowship Hall

15<sup>th</sup> - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30 – 8:30 at the  
Field House20<sup>th</sup> – 6:00-7:00 pm Happy Tales Bible Ranch

VBS - Parable of the Soils

7:00-7:30 pm Trail Mix Snacks provided in the  
Fellowship Hall27<sup>th</sup> - 6:00-7:00 pm Happy Tales Bible Ranch

VBS – Parable of the Salt &amp; Light

7:00-7:30 pm Walking Smores Snacks provided in  
the Fellowship Hall



## Upcoming Events:

**Congratulations to Wyatt Irwin** for graduating last Friday from the Law Enforcement Academy.

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

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

The Tuesday evening **Ladies' Bible Class** led by **Jan Campbell & Joyce Bruno** has begun a summer study on "**Slowing Down and Getting to Know God Better.**" This group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month in room 104 at 6:00 pm. The next class will be next Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>.



Thank you for all the cards, calls, prayers and food that I received after surgery.

Gerry Loveless

Thank you, Mike, for visiting momma (Janey Gilbert) while she was in the hospital. It meant a lot to her. Thank you to the church for the gift of remembrances and all the prayers on her behalf.

Susan & Eddie Sullivan  
Jimmy Tidwell

Dear Fairfield church of Christ Ladies,

Your act of kindness in preparing a meal for the Coates' family after the funeral of James Coates was greatly appreciated.

This Christlike service allowed the family a time to come together and share their thoughts and memories. Many families had traveled from out of town and out of state, and the meal allowed them an opportunity to spend additional time for reminiscing. James was a remarkable person. He loved and was loved!

Your group of ladies demonstrated your love of God and the kindness and compassion that show true concern for others.

May God Bless you,  
Shirley & Andy Coates

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

**Members:** Joyce Bruno (St. Thomas Midtown-hernia surgery was Monday), Melinda Sullivan (aunt of Brandy Sullivan), Deborah Peery (home), Faye Rochelle (St. Thomas Hickman swing bed), Barbara Kelley (gall bladder surgery soon), Woody Woodruff, Gerry Loveless, Jewell Prince, Glenda Newsom, Gary Wright, Brenda Carroll, Willie Powers, Sherrie Talley, 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, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon & Jo Ann Totty

**Friends & Family:** Donna Martin, Lorrie O'Guinn (hospice), Drew Elliott (cousin of Erik Hassell), Lois Gilbert (hospice), Tanya Rochelle, Mark Tune, Jimmy Rivers, Sunny Anglin, Jett Owsley, Brent Burt, Janet Barber, Glenda Coates, Mildred Rochelle, Amalia Rose Shaw, Edna Copley, B.Y. Peery, Doug True, Davy Baker, Linda Canady, Carmela Brown, Beverly Smith, Paul Harvill, Ronnie Carroll, Ryan Edwards, Deborah Johnston, Willie Lawler, 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:** Willie B Coates, Debra Clark (mother of Sharon Clark Burns), Carolyn Phillips, 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.



*Plans are underway for "HAPPY TALES BIBLE RANCH" VBS which will begin Sunday night July 13 during evening worship. Sign up lists are in both foyers for volunteers for Trailblazers (teachers) and Wranglers (assistants) and also a t-shirt list.*

*Deadline to order shirts is JUNE 29<sup>th</sup>. Flyers and postcards are available to use to invite others. The other nights will be July 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, and the final night will be August 3<sup>rd</sup>.*