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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

Website:

fairfieldcofc.org



Mike's Minute

Tell Me The Story. This past Sunday, Katie Story was baptized into Christ at Fairfield. Katie is the daughter of Robert and Kay Story. Her grandparents are Gerry and Sarah Hinson. Katie is such a sweet young lady... with a very bright future ahead. We are so proud of her! We congratulate Katie and her family... and pray that she will enjoy a happy, healthy, and holy life of service to God.

A Christian Goes Home. Barbara Beard entered into eternity Tuesday morning. Barbara was a pillar in our congregation and community for many years. She had relatives and friends all over our congregation, including her sister Rita Beard and niece Veronica Brown. Her daughter, Dorinda, lives in Atlanta and visits Fairfield when she is in our area. Barbara was such a strong, faithful Christian woman! Her health had been declining steadily for many months... and, as is sometimes the case, she had to die to get well. Barbara's memory and influence will live on in our community... and her soul lives on in Paradise.

Women's Bible Study. Monday night marked the beginning of a Women's Bible Study at Fairfield. The study was led by Joyce Bruno and attended by about 20 women. Joyce has written a book on the subject of prayer and she is leading our women through a study of that book. We are so fortunate to have Joyce (and so many other wonderful women) in our midst. By the way, Joyce's twin sister, Jan, is also a published author. Gentleman, that is 2 women who are published authors in our congregation. Which one of us men is going to write a book? Let's get after it!

In Christian Love,

Mike





It was good to see **Brenda Stoltz** back at services after hip surgery.

If you would like to help with VBS, see Jennifer Knight. Our speaker on July 10th in the auditorium at 6:00 pm will be **Taylor Bell** and we will have an ice cream fellowship following classes. Please make plans to attend and bring a friend.



*Christmas in July Ladies Breakfast
Fla"mingle" and Jingle
July 23rd at 9:00 am
Fairfield basement
Bring an ornament to exchange
Susan Spears will be our speaker*

RESPONSE

Katie Story, daughter of **Robert & Kay Story**, was baptized on Sunday morning by Mike Kelley. Katie is also the granddaughter of Gerry & Sarah Hinson.



We express our sympathy to the family of **Daniel Spears**, the brother of Lafayette Spears. His funeral was Tuesday.

Also, we express sympathy to the family of **Barbara Louise Beard** who passed away on Tuesday. She was a long-time member here and had many relatives including her sister **Rita Beard** and niece **Veronica Brown**. Her daughter, **Dorinda**, lives in Atlanta and visits here when she is in our area. Her visitation is Saturday at 10:00 am and the funeral at 11:00 am at McDonald Funeral Home. Following the service, a meal will be provided in the Fellowship Hall.



Members: Lafayette Spears, Steve Baker (covid), Boyce Cannon, Jewell Prince (surgery on Wednesday-went well), Kenneth Jett, Yvonna Caillouet, Janey Gilbert, Butch Sullivan, Harry Totty, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes, Lou Dickens, Paul & Noble Victory, Dewayne Victory & Jo Ann Totty.

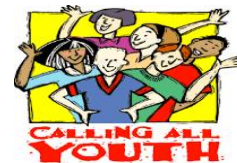
Friends & Family: Jerry Scott (St. Thomas West), Grayson Gunter, Mike Rhea (Centennial hospital), Jimmy Loveless, Helen Jerpe, Michael Harvill, Jay Pickard, Mary Spears, Christians, missionaries, military personal & people in the Ukraine, Everett Kelly (therapy at Dickson Horizon), J.B. Brown, Nancy Clancy, Gus Gilreath, Willie Taylor, Ray Weatherspoon, 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, Ann Spencer, Thomas Brady, Donald Brady, Doris Elam, Neil Jobe, Donna Gaspard, Rita Stacks, Jimmy Jenkins, Ruby Church, Carolyn Nash, Kathy Swinford Coleman, Jimmy George & William Dale Nash.

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

St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home: Naomi Bailey

Olive Branch Senior Living, Dickson: Martha Page

The Red Cross Blood Mobile will be here on Monday, July 18th from 12:30-5:30 pm at the fellowship hall. Please sign up at redcrossblood.org or see Margaret Martin for questions or to sign up.



July 10 - VBS, 6:00-7:00, Ice Cream 7:00-8:00

July 17 - VBS, 6:00-7:00

July 19 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH

July 22 - Middle/High School Lock-In

July 24 - VBS, 6:00-7:00

July 31 - 5th Sunday--End of VBS Celebration, 4:00-6:00p
Inflatables, pizza and Water Fun (wear/bring clothes to get wet in and a towel)



Center Fielders News

“Pulling Down Strongholds”

The Bible tells us that sometimes there are rooms in our hearts in which Satan can have strongholds even though we are Christians. The way to deal with this is to rebuke Satan, cast out that stronghold in Jesus’ name, and reclaim that room for Christ. The Bible doesn’t give the reasons for the divided heart, nor does it give any list of the strongholds to be cast out. The Bible does give us a list of “works of the flesh,” and these sins can become strongholds in our lives. The flesh and all its affections and lust need to be crucified, and sometimes this is a very painful process.

In 2 Corinthians 10:5 we find four weapons to pull these strongholds down. Paul says first, “we demolish all arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God.” Simply saying, there is no argument against truth, which is God’s Word. No one will ever overcome wrong ideas unless they are willing to accept the truth and live by it. God’s Word is truth and will bring truth and clarity to every situation we face. Second, cast out pride. “...every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God.” It takes humility to repent of sin, to acknowledge that God knows better than we do, and to forgive so we can be forgiven.

Third, is “take every thought to make it obedient to Christ.” Thoughts controlled by the Holy Spirit will cast out carnal strongholds. Fourth is obedience to Christ. Jesus lived His whole earthly life in obedience to the Father. And if Jesus is our example to live by, we too must no longer live by “I feel,” “I think,” “I thought,” “I know the Bible says that, but...,” and simply live by the Word of God and these strongholds will be no longer. Remember, even if something doesn’t make sense to you, it doesn’t mean it doesn’t make sense.

Obey God and watch Him work,

Rodney

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF June 26, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP	205
CONTRIBUTION:	\$4963
2022 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$4167

MEN TO SERVE JULY 3

SUNDAY MORNING:

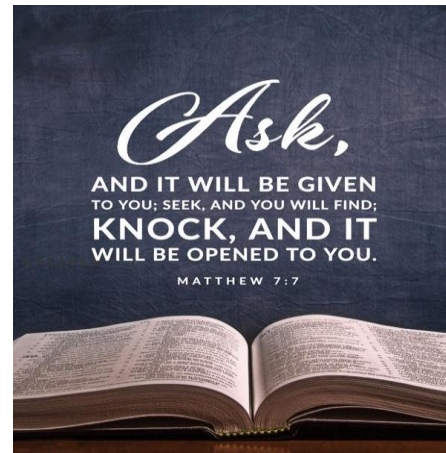
Song Leader: Darin Cochran
Opening Prayer: Jerrie W Barber
Scripture Reading: Phillip Coates
Scripture: Matthew 7:7-8
Preside Lord’s Supper: Willie Powers
Alternates: Rick Bruno, Bobby McCoy
Announcements: Darin Cochran
Closing Prayer: Zack Harvill
Van Driver: Angie Green 931-219-7979

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Mike Batts
Scripture Reading: Skyler Irvin
Scripture: Matthew 3:13-17
Song Leader: Jeff Rose
Opening Prayer: Wayne Prince
Lord’s Supper: Gary Basford, Adam Jude
Closing Prayer: Bobby McCoy
Van Driver: Angie Green 931-219-7979

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

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



QUOTES

Grace is when God gives us good things that we don't deserve. Mercy is when He spares us from bad things we deserve. Blessings are when He is generous with both. Truly, we can never run out of reasons to thank Him. God is good all the time.

4th of July Quotes

1. "America is another name for opportunity."— Ralph Waldo Emerson
2. "Independence Day: freedom has its life in the hearts, the actions, the spirit of men and so it must be daily earned and refreshed – else like a flower cut from its life-giving roots, it will wither and die." – Dwight D. Eisenhower
3. "It will be celebrated with pomp and parade, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other." – John Adams
4. "America was not built on fear. America was built on courage, on imagination and an unbeatable determination to do the job at hand."— President Harry S. Truman
5. "Then join hand in hand, brave Americans all! By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall." – John Dickinson
6. "America is a tune. It must be sung together."— Gerald Stanley Lee
7. "I believe in America because we have great dreams, and because we have the opportunity to make those dreams come true." – Wendell L. Willkie
8. "Intellectually I know that America is no better than any other country; emotionally I know she is better than every other country."— Sinclair Lewis
9. "We on this continent should never forget that men first crossed the Atlantic not to find soil for their ploughs but to secure liberty for their souls." — Robert J. McCracken
10. "In the unlikely story that is America, there has never been anything false about hope." — Barack Obama
11. "I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!"—Patrick Henry
12. "I like to see a man proud of the place in which he lives. I like to see a man live so that his place will be proud of him." – Abraham Lincoln
13. "Where liberty dwells, there is my country." – Benjamin Franklin
14. "In the truest sense, freedom cannot be bestowed; it must be achieved." — Franklin D. Roosevelt
15. "The history of free men is never really written by chance but by choice; their choice!" —Dwight D. Eisenhower
16. "America means opportunity, freedom, power." – Ralph Waldo Emerson
17. "A patriot must always be ready to defend his country against his government." —Edward Abbey
18. "Ask not what your country can do for you—ask what you can do for your country." – John F. Kennedy
19. "We must be free not because we claim freedom, but because we practice it." — William Faulkner
20. "Observe good faith and justice toward all nations. Cultivate peace and harmony with all." —George Washington
21. "We hold our heads high, despite the price we have paid, because freedom is priceless." – Lech Walesa
22. "Life without liberty is like a body without spirit." — Kahlil Gibran
23. "This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave." – Elmer Davis
24. "Humanity has won its battle. Liberty now has a country." —Marquis de Lafayette
25. "Better to die fighting for freedom than be a prisoner all the days of your life." — Bob Marley



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