

# THE PROVIDER

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## Fairfield Church of Christ

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Wayne Prince ext.14  
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*Activities*  
Clay Chandler ext. 6  
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Darin Cochran ext.11  
*Worship*  
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**

### Website:

[fairfieldcofc.org](http://fairfieldcofc.org)



## Mike's Minute

### Have Thine Own Way

Adelaide Pollard was deeply discouraged. She wanted to do mission work in Africa but had been unable to raise enough money to make the trip. She attended a prayer meeting and a prayer she heard changed her attitude and the course of her life.

The prayer included this sentence, "It really doesn't matter what You do with us, Lord, just have Your way with our lives."

She was moved by this sincere request of God. When she went home that night, Pollard meditated on Jeremiah 18:3-4: "Then I went down to the potter's house, and behold, he wrought a work on the wheels, and the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter; so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it."

Before retiring that evening, she took pen in hand and wrote in hymn form her own prayer:

*Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Thou art the potter, I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me after Thy will,  
While I am waiting, yielded and still.*

*Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Search me and try me, Master, today!  
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,  
As in Thy presence humbly I bow.*

The next time we sing this beautiful hymn in worship, I'm going to be reminded to pray, not for what I think is good... but for what He thinks is good for me. Isn't that how Jesus taught us to pray? "After this manner therefore pray ye... Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven" (Matthew 6:9-10).

*In Christian Love,*

**Mike**





We now have Mission burgers available for purchase of 10 patties for \$15. Please see Gary Wright if you are interested.

We will have van service this Sunday for the morning worship only at 9 am & no classes. Sunday evening, at 6:00 pm, there will be NO van service. Rodney will teach Wed. night this coming week on Facebook.

**COMMUNION PACKS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 3:00-4:00 PM AT THE FELLOWSHIP HALL FOR THOSE WHO WON'T BE ATTENDING ON SUNDAY MORNING.**

### NEW ADDRESS:

Dustin, Diana, Virginia & Dallas Bailey  
1400 Tralee Drive Apt. 36  
Duncan, SC 29334



Our deepest sympathy to the family of **Ronnie Gossett** who passed away. He is the son of **Helen Shanes** and Gary Gossett, and the nephew of Janie Gilbert.

We also want to extend our sympathy to the family of **Len Womack** who passed away this week as well. He served many years as an alderman for the city of Centerville, a deacon at Centerville church of Christ and Camp Meribah.

### FOR THE RECORD

|                        |        |
|------------------------|--------|
| WEEK OF August 9, 2020 |        |
| MORNING WORSHIP        | 121    |
| CONTRIBUTION:          | \$3257 |
| 2020 WEEKLY BUDGET     | \$4167 |



**Members:** Dewayne Victory (Vanderbilt), Mac Breece, Carolyn Phillips, Terry Duncan, Kenneth Chandler, Gerry Hinson, Paul & Noble Victory, Rickey Weems, Angie Stacks, Wilma Green, Bobbie Graf, Melissa Worley, June Prince, Faye Rochelle, Marlin Lawson, Dorothy Noonan & Noah, Raymond Stoltz, Hester Moss (been in the hospital, now home), James Hassell, C.W. & Elizabeth Tarkington, Harold Choate, James & Glenda Coates, & Jo Ann Totty.

**Friends & Family:** Christopher Jackson & family, John Plemmons, Jr. (Life Care Center-931-729-7560-moved to room 315), Norman Martin, Randy Hall, Chuck Sherrell, Cornelia Chandler, Garry Greer, Rick Lee, Helen Shanes, Jimmy Jenkins, Trace Warren, Amanda Myles, Charlie Shelton, Harley Parker, B.J. Springer, Ruby Church, Wayne Winters, Carolyn Nash, Sandy McFarlin, Nancy Coursey, Rachael Bellis, Jerry Milam, Elizabeth Dunn, Mark Fagan, Kathy Swinford Coleman, Wilburn McGahey, Russell Hargrove, Ron Gossett, Teresa Noonan, Grayson Gunter, David Talley, Willie B. Coates, Greg McCord, Peggy Plunkett Johnson, Linda Goad, Mark Wright, Donna Popp, Cagle, Jimmy George, Jackson Bates, & William Dale Nash.

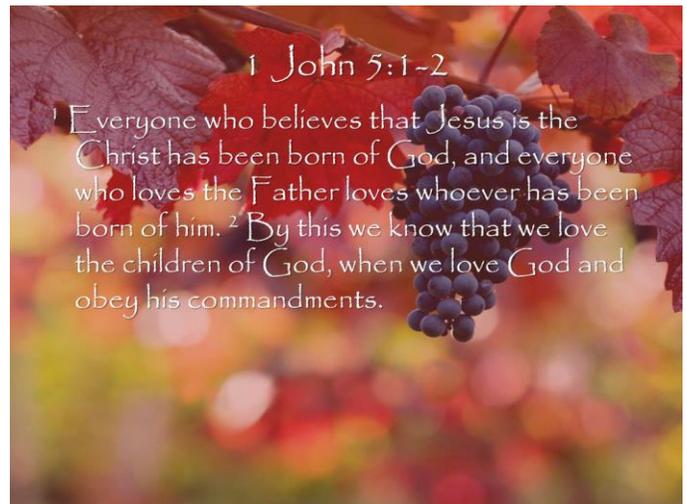
**Life Care:** Anne Neeley, Ray Dudley, Mary England Tommy, & Georgia Belle Smith.

**St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home:** Naomi Bailey, Jo Hudgins (hospice), & Sybil Jenkins.

**Magnolia Place, Waverly:** Sarah Brown

**NHC Dickson:** Dollie Wheeler

**Olive Branch Senior Living, Dickson:** Martha Page





## Center Fielders News

“The Gospel Is Worth It”

Have you ever given much thought what the apostles went through in order to preach the gospel? In 1 Thessalonians chapter 2, it shows very clearly how they suffered and were mistreated. They did not do what they did in order to receive glory from men. They even worked secular jobs in order not to be a burden on the church. They did it because they loved people and wanted to bring this saving message into others’ lives. Their ultimate goal was to get people to “walk in a manner worthy of the God who calls you into His kingdom and glory” vs. 12.

Their sacrifices were worth it. The people in Thessalonica accepted the message preached as the Word of God, not some man-made doctrine. As a result of their becoming Christians, Paul could proudly say that “you are our glory and joy” vs. 20.

To those first century preachers, the “good news” of Jesus Christ was worth any cost or sacrifice. When we think of our own list of priorities, where is the gospel listed? Is it even listed at all? Jesus said we needed to seek first the kingdom of God! Are we doing that?

Despite the horrible things they endured, seeing others obey the gospel brought them joy and satisfaction. Sometimes, and many times, we are not willing to go through the slightest inconvenience or embarrassment to share the gospel with someone else. Yet, being an instrument in bringing that person’s conversion to Jesus Christ is one of life’s greatest achievements. And that person we led to Christ becomes our glory and joy as well. Remind yourself how important the gospel of Jesus is to you and your life.

*Obey God and watch Him work,*

**Rodney**



## MEN TO SERVE AUGUST 16

### SUNDAY MORNING:

**Song Leader:** Darin Cochran

**Opening Prayer:** Jerrie W Barber

**Scripture Reading:** Vance Willis

**Scripture:** 1 John 5:1-5

**Preside Lord’s Supper:** Willie Powers

**Alternates:** Mike Batts, Gary Wright

**Basement:** Ken Copley, Gary Basford

**Announcements:** Marvin Truett

**Closing Prayer:** Ken Copley

**Van Driver:** Gary Basford 931-628-0355

### SUNDAY EVENING:

**Announcements:** Marvin Truett

**Scripture Reading:** Edwin Wright

**Scripture:** Hebrews 11:32-34

**Song Leader:** Jeff Rose

**Opening Prayer:** Kenneth Jett

**Lord’s Supper:** Wayne Prince, Phillip Coates

**Closing Prayer:** James Swaw

**NO VAN SERVICE**

## A FUNNY ONE

I hosted a ministers’ luncheon earlier this week, and because I was busy speaking, I choose not to eat until afterwards. I explained my actions to the group with the following story:

The preacher of a little country church was out visiting his members on a Sunday afternoon, and the last person on his list was an elderly lady, Mrs. Jones. He got to her house around 5 p.m., just as she was sitting down to a meal. “Preacher, won’t you join me and have a bite to eat?” “Oh no, Sister Jones, I have to preach in an hour, and I never eat just before I speak.”

“Won’t you at least have a piece of pie and a glass of milk?” “Thank you, Sister Jones, but as I said, I never eat just before I speak. I want to be at my very best whenever I preach.” “Very well,” said the lady, and she finished her meal while the preacher sat at her kitchen table.

At 6 p.m. they went to church for the evening service. After the worship the preacher greeted the lady at the back of the Auditorium. “Well, what did you think of my sermon, Sister Jones?” The woman contemplated his question for a moment, then said simply, “You might as well et.”

*Dan Williams  
Searcy, AR*

## ANGELS Quiz

### What do you remember about Angels as presented in the Scripture?

1. What was the name of the angel who announced to Mary the glad tidings that she would be the mother of Jesus? **Gabriel**. (Luke 1:19).
2. Which angel is the militant angel who, in Daniel's prophecy, will "stand up ... for the children of thy people"? **Michael**. (Daniel 12:1).
3. What are the names of the two "orders" of angels? **Seraphim** (Isaiah 6:2) and **Cherubim** (Psalm 18:10).
4. Who saw three angels (although he didn't recognize them as angels) at the door of his tent and he entertained them? **Abraham**. (Genesis 18:2).
5. On what occasion did the angel of death visit many homes in Egypt? **the death of the first born**. (Exodus 11:5).
6. What famous "pool" in Jerusalem was thought to be "troubled" by an angel? **Bethesda**. (John 5:2-4).
7. What food was sent by God to the Israelites was called "angels food"? **Manna**. (Psalm 78:24-25).
8. On what occasion did angels come and minister to Jesus? **after He was tempted**. (Matthew 4:11).
9. Who was released from prison by an angel? **Peter**. (Acts 12:7-9).
10. What great leader of Israel was afraid to take up the task of delivering his people from the Midianites until an angel of the Lord appeared to him and then brought fire out of the rock to consume his offering? **Gideon**. (Judges 6:21).



## What Love Means to 4-8-year-old Kids ...

A group of professional people posed this question to a group of 4 to 8-year-olds, 'What does love mean?'

The answers they got were broader, deeper, and more profound than anyone could have ever imagined!

'When my grandmother got arthritis, she couldn't bend over and paint her toenails anymore ... So, my grandfather does it for her all the time, even when his hands got arthritis too. That's love.'

Rebecca- age 8

'When someone loves you, the way they say your name is different. You just know that your name is safe in their mouth.'

Billy - age 4

'Love is when a girl puts on perfume and a boy puts on shaving cologne and they go out and smell each other.'

Karl - age 5

'Love is when you go out to eat and give somebody most of your French fries without making them give you any of theirs.'

Chrissy - age 6

'Love is what makes you smile when you're tired.'

Terri - age 4

'Love is when my mommy makes coffee for my daddy and she takes a sip before giving it to him, to make sure the taste is OK.'

Danny - age 8

'Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and just listen.'

Bobby - age 7

*Continued next week*