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Fairfield Church of Christ

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Ken Copley ext.17
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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. -
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Vance Willis ext.26
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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 10:15 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Family Line:

931-729-9846

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Mike's Minute

It's No Secret. A preacher in Texas recently talked about reading an article on a successful college football coach who was taking his team to a prestigious bowl game. The preacher had two friends who happened to be high school football coaches and had heard this coach speak at a football coaches' conference. The friends said they had never encountered such a vulgar, profane man. The preacher was surprised, as he scanned the article, to read that the coach was a Christian. But the next line in the article cleared things up. The coach said, "I'm not the kind of Christian that would ever let anyone know about it." It was clear from the tone of the article that the reporter approved of this. "This is what the world needs," he implied, "more Christians who will not let anyone else know about their faith." But we know that's wrong. Faith in Jesus is *personal*... but it cannot be *private*. As Dietrich Bonhoeffer said, "There is no such thing as secret Christianity. Either the secrecy will destroy the Christianity or the Christianity will destroy the secrecy."

A New Member. Joyce Bruno has placed membership with us at Fairfield. She said she was doing it as a birthday present for her husband, Rick. Little did she know that joining our church family is a wonderful gift to our entire congregation! We are so thankful to Rick for his outstanding work in producing our church bulletin each week and working in our sound room. We now have the double blessing of having both Bruno's at the Field.

Mark Your Calendar. This Sunday, August 18th, Josh Copley will be the speaker at our evening worship. Make your plans now to be present. You will be blessed by hearing this young man present the Word of God... and he will be blessed by your support and encouragement.

In Christian Love,

Mike



Josh Copley will be speaking on Sunday night!



Congratulations to Kim & Deneen Clayton on the birth of a new granddaughter born on August 8th. She was named Bella Kristin Thomas and is 7lb. 14 oz inches and 20.5 inches long.

The Hickman County Relay for Life is hosting a dinner for all cancer survivors on August 31st at 5:00 pm at Fairfield church of Christ fellowship hall. Please RSVP to Sheila Brady by August 25th.

Ken Copley is now needing volunteers to teach and be field guides for the 4th quarter (Sept – Dec). Please see Ken if you can help.

The next planning meeting to our 70th Anniversary is September 4th at 6:00 pm in room 104. Come join us.

September 28th is clean-up day here at the church building starting at 9:00 am.

This year marks the 70th anniversary of the establishment of our church. To commemorate this milestone in our history, the elders have decided to provide our church members and their immediate family members with a special T-shirt featuring our church. A form has been prepared for each family to pick up and fill out with the size needed for each family member. This will enable us to have a more accurate count of proper sizes that are needed. Forms will be available for pick up on Sunday, 8/11/19 in the front foyer. A basket will be in the front and back foyer for you to put your form in when you return it. **Please return forms as soon as possible.** ALL FORMS MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 15, 2019. **If you do not wish to get a shirt, please indicate that on the form and return it as requested.**

There are postcards now available in both foyers for you to take to start inviting others to join us on October 20th at our 70th anniversary celebration. These cards cost 35 cents to mail.

Women Are Safe is in need of new crib sheets for the shelter. Please help if you can.

*Men's Prayer Breakfast is every Tues. morning @ 6:00 am in the basement.

*Depression & Bipolar Support meet the 1st & 3rd Tues. evenings @ 6:00 pm in the basement.

*The Quilters meet every Thurs. morning @ 9:00 am in the basement.

*Narcotics Anonymous meets every Thurs. night at 7:00p in the basement.

Members: Diana Bailey (double knee surgery), Teresa Kimbro, Gary Bailey, Amber McDonald, Kathy Rose, Raymond Stoltz, Dollie Wheeler, Barbara (Edgar) Beard, Dot Davidson, Hester Moss, Christina George, James Hassell, Martha Harvill, Tony Halfacre, Diane Breece, Christie Hutchings, Leon Lynn, Daisy Beard, C.W. & Elizabeth Tarkington, Harold Choate, James & Glenda Coates, & Jo Ann Totty.

Friends & Family: Chuck Dauphin (back surgery), Russell Hargrove, Davey Baker, Ron Gossett (son of Helen Shanes, dialysis), Alan Dickens, Jack Wood, Doug Bates, Cooper Parker, Teresa Noonan, Larry Neumann, Dennis Bradburn, Paul Bryant, Grayson Gunter, Laura Plunkett, Lena Harrell, Mickie Cagle James, David Talley, Willie B. Coates, Greg McCord, Peggy Plunkett Johnson, Ray Woodruff, Linda Goad, Ronny Pitman, Adam Lawson, Arica Hinson, Mark Wright, Helen Shanes, Donna Popp, Dorris French, Linda Truett, Tommy Cagle, John Beard, Jimmy George (home), Jean Greer, Jackson Bates, Steve Scroggins, William Dale Nash, & Jimmy Mathis,.

Life Care: Mary Carolyn McClanahan, Kitty Halfacre, Anne Neeley, Ray Dudley, Mary England, & Georgia Belle Smith.

St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home: Jo Hudgins (hospice), Bill Shanes, & Sybil Jenkins.

Magnolia Place, Waverly: Sarah Brown

NHC Dickson: Joyce Johnson

St. Thomas Hickman Hospital: Naomi Bailey (swing bed).

RESPONSE

Joyce Bruno, wife of Rick, placed membership on Sunday. Welcome!



We express our sympathy to the family of **Tommy Yokley** (former member). He passed away this week and his funeral was Thursday.



Center Fielders News

“The Value of History”

History is a story of the lives and labors of people in the past. History reveals the choices and values that affected the courses of individuals, churches, and nations. It also shows the tragic results of wrong choices, and the blessed rewards of wise choices.

God expects us to learn from history. Paul used the history of Israel to illustrate the danger of wrong choices. He reminded the Corinthians that large numbers of the Israelites were castaways through their fleshly desires and lack of self-denial. Although they were miraculously delivered from Egypt, many of them never reached the Promised Land. On the other hand, Hebrews 11 uses the history of Old Testament saints to illustrate the great value of wise choices. These heroes of faith not only believed God but also obeyed Him. Are you among those who remain steadfast in faith and obedience today?

Another value of history is that it teaches how destructive false doctrine is to Christianity. During the Reformation, the idea of faith-only salvation deceived countless numbers of people. Many who recognized the errors of Catholicism were misled into believing that good works are not important, which is still a popular idea today. But Noah could not have been saved if he had failed to prepare the ark as God instructed him. Abraham provides another example of faith and obedience by offering of his son Isaac. How little we could learn from people's successes and failures in the past, were it not for the history recorded by faithful writers!

Obey God and watch Him work,

Rodney

AUGUST EVENTS

August 19 – Homeless meeting at 6 pm in the basement.

August 22 – Golden Agers will be going to Log Cabin leaving the church at 5:30 pm.

August 25 – Elders will meet with the men at 4:30 pm in the fellowship hall.

AREA EVENT

Clearview church of Christ Fall Series
Each Tuesday evening from Aug. 20th thru Oct. 8th
The Two Greatest Commandments
More information is on the bulletin board.



CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

August 18 – Puppet show during evening service

August 20 - Middle/High school Devo @6:30 pm @ FH



Thank you for all the prayers, kind words, visits, food that all the ladies fixed, and the gifts during the illness and death of our father, grandfather & great-grandfather.

Gary, Dean & Angela
Christopher, Misty & Amanda
Alyssa, Nevaeh, Ellie, Mathew, Wyatt & Edwin

Thank you so much for the school supplies and money you donated to our school. Your kindness and generosity will be a huge blessing to both our students & teachers. We appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,
The faculty & staff of
Centerville Elementary

Thank you for your donation to our school. We appreciate your willingness to always support our school.

EHES Staff

Misbehaving

A head teacher is making his rounds of the school when he hears a terrible commotion coming from one of the classrooms. He rushes in and spots one boy, taller than the others, who seems to be making the most noise.

He seizes the lad, drags him to the hall, and tells him to wait there until he is excused. Returning to the classroom, the head teacher restores order and lectures the class for half an hour about the importance of good behavior.

“Now,” he says, “are there any questions?”

One girl stands up timidly. “Please sir,” she asks, “may we have our teacher back?”

MEN TO SERVE AUGUST 18 LORD'S TABLE

Preside: Wayne Prince
Left: Rick Bruno **Right:** Jerrie W. Barber
 Norman George Curtis Edwards
 Kim Clayton Terry Duncan
 Carl Daugherty Marvin Truett
Alternates: Steve Baker, Dustin Bailey
Basement: Josh Copley, Ken Copley
Sun P.M.: Steve Craft, Edwin Wright

PRAYERS & SCRIPTURE

A.M. Scripture Reading: Willie Powers
Scripture: Jeremiah 29:11-13
A.M. Opening Prayer: Steve Baker
A.M. Closing Prayer: Mike Breece
P.M. Scripture Reading: Wayne Prince
Scripture:
P.M. Opening Prayer: Roy McCoy
P.M. Closing Prayer: Kenneth Jett
Wed. Opening Prayer: Paul Victory
Wed. Invitation: (Aug 21) Mike Kelley

SONG LEADERS

Sunday A.M. Darin Cochran
Sunday P.M. Steve Baker
Wednesday P.M. (Aug 21) Jeff Rose

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday A.M. Marvin Truett
Sunday P.M. Chris Wright
Wednesday P.M. (Aug 21) Mike Batts

VAN DRIVERS

Sunday A.M. Gary Basford 931-628-0355
Sunday P.M. Gary Basford 931-628-0355
Wed. P.M. Gary Basford 931-628-0355
 (Aug 21)

If you are unable to serve in anyway, please call or text Gary Basford at (931)628-0355 or Darin Cochran at (615)418-3148.

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF August 11, 2019
A.M. WORSHIP: 231
CONTRIBUTION: \$4286
2019 WEEKLY BUDGET: \$4167

Anger: The Great Destroyer



In 1894, the Baltimore Orioles came to Boston to play a baseball game. Boston had one of the finest stadiums ever built in the 19th century. During the game, a fight broke out between two players at third base. The fight became a “brou-ha-ha” as both teams left their dugouts to join in the brawl.

Fans for both sides starting fighting, too. According to legend*, one Baltimore fan got so hot under the collar that he set fire to the beloved stadium which burned to the ground and spread to the surrounding town. In the end, nearly 2000 people were left homeless.

Getting angry happens to us all. Some are just better at controlling their short fuse. God, himself, gets angry at times (e.g., 1 Kings 11:9–10; 2 Kings 17:18). But we know, “The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love” (Psalms 103:8).

Ungodly anger can destroy friendships, jobs, neighborhoods and even whole cities. So, let us get angry over the things that makes God angry. But, let’s endeavor to put away all other causes of anger and strive to live peaceful lives (James 1:19-20; Ephesians 4:31).

*Larry Fitzgerald
 Woodlawn church of Christ
 Abilene, TX*

