

# THE PROVIDER

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## Fairfield church of Christ

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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

*We should live in this evil world with wisdom, righteousness, and devotion to God, while we look forward with hope to that wonderful day, when the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ, will be revealed.*

Titus 2:12-13

Christopher and Brandy, a couple from Seattle, were about 400 miles from Hawaii on their thirty-eight foot boat when a storm hit. The storm was so strong that it started to sink their vessel.

They got on their life raft, put on their survival suits, and used their radio to send a distress signal with their location. Then, they huddled together, along with their two dogs, to wait.

The crew from the cruise ship *Golden Princess* received their distress call and came to rescue the stranded couple.

Brandy would later say, "I knew someone would come. I just didn't know how long it would take."

That's the perspective Christians can have when they find themselves in the middle of life's storms. Even though we don't know *when*, we know Someone *will* come. That Someone is Jesus, of course, and His coming is called the "blessed hope and glorious appearing" in Titus 2.

We huddle up with other believers and hold on through the challenges of life because our hope is built on the certainty of Christ's return.

Concerned about the news? Someone is coming. Concerned about your health? Someone is coming? Concerned about wars and rumors of wars? Someone is coming.

When the waves get high, keep your eyes on the heavens... looking for the One who has promised to come.

*In Christian Love,*

**Mike**





*Just Joshin'*

I have been thinking recently how blessed I am to be at Fairfield. There are so many wonderful people who make up this church body. There are many lifelong members or those who have been attending for many years, myself included. There are very few places where you can immediately feel like you are at home as soon as you walk in, and Fairfield is one of those places.

We must never lose sight of our hospitality. There have been far too many times in various churches where guests have felt unwelcomed and/or have been turned away due to external factors. Jesus invites all to be a part of His body of believers and we should never deprive anyone of that. Even the Old Testament commands that we warmly welcome any visitors or strangers. Leviticus 19:34 tells us "You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself..."

One of the common critiques of the church of Christ that I heard from friends, who were not CoC at Freed-Hardeman, is that we can sometimes be "clique-ish" and that we can focus so much on our small individual group of friends and refuse to branch out and ensure that everyone feels apart of the family. Unfortunately, this is one of the reasons that can turn people away from ever going to church at all. I am proud of the family that we are here at Fairfield and we should always strive to share this loving environment with everyone we can! Who are we to hide this wonderful gift from the lost? Every church is fallible and we are not without flaw. We must strive to be better day after day and week after week because everyone deserves a sense of belonging and Jesus expects us to grant that to them. We have, undoubtedly, done that in the past, but we must remain vigilant and continue to do so!

To God be the Glory,

**Josh**

The Men-to-Serve and Van Driver sheets for September are in both foyers. Please pick one up.

## 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?  
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2. Which angel is the militant angel who, in Daniel's prophesy, will "stand up . . . for the children of thy people"?  
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3. What are the names of the two "orders" of angels? \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
4. Who saw three angels (although he didn't recognize them as angels) at the door of his tent and he entertained them?  
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5. On what occasion did the angel of death visit many homes in Egypt?  
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6. What famous "pool" in Jerusalem was thought to be "troubled" by an angel?  
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7. What food was sent by God to the Israelites was called "angels' food"?  
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8. On what occasion did angels come and minister to Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Who was released from prison by an angel?  
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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?  
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Answers are found in following Scriptures:

Acts 12, Daniel 12, Exodus 11, Genesis 18, Isaiah 6, John 5, Judges 6, Luke 1, Matthew 4, Psalm 18, Ezekiel 1, and Psalm 78.



We express our sympathy to the family of **Johnny Cochran** of Primm Springs. He was the grandfather of **Garrett & Daveigh Cochran**. His funeral was last Sunday in Columbia.

We also express sympathy to **Joyce & James Swaw** and their family on the death of her grandson, **Grayson Gunter** of Maryville, TN.

**FOR THE RECORD**

WEEK OF August 25, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP	203
CONTRIBUTION:	\$5555
<b>2024 WEEKLY BUDGET</b>	<b>\$5417</b>

**Rodney's class trip to Granville recently**



**MEN TO SERVE**

**SUNDAY MORNING:**

**Song Leader:** Darin Cochran  
**Opening Prayer:** Buddy Chandler  
**Scripture Reading:** Lyle Shepherd  
**Scripture:**

**Preside Lord's Supper:** Rodney Rochelle

<b>Left:</b> Rick Bruno	<b>Right:</b> Chris Wright
Robert Graf	Kenneth Jett
Wes Crowther	Gary Bailey
Ronny Pitman	Lafayette Spears

**Announcements:** Darin Cochran

**Closing Prayer:** Gerry Hinson

**Van Driver:** Jeff Stacks 931-994-7631

**SUNDAY EVENING:**

**Announcements:** Gary Basford

**Scripture Reading:** Adam Jude

**Scripture:** Matthew 5:2-11

**Song Leader:** Jeff Stacks

**Opening Prayer:** Roy McCoy

**Lord's Supper:** Edwin Wright, Gerry Hinson

**Closing Prayer:** Mathew Wright

**Van Driver:** Jeff Stacks 931-994-7631

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT:**

**Announcements:** Randal Halbrooks

**Song Leader:** Ronny Pitman

**Opening Prayer:** Willie Powers

**Van Driver:** Chris Love 931-994-7855



Thank you so much for the wind chimes, cards, and most of all, prayers that were said before and after the passing of our dear sister. Please continue with prayers, especially our dear mother (Sue Davidson) who is at Life Care.

Thank you,  
In Christian Love,  
**Teresa Warren**

**QUOTES**

\*\*\*Iron rusts from disuse; stagnant water loses its purity and in cold weather becomes frozen; even so does inaction sap the vigor of the mind.

-- Leonardo de Vinci (1452-1519)

\*\*\*Those who dream by day are cognizant of many things which escape those who dream only at night.

--Edgar Allan Poe (1809-49)



Congratulations to **Caleb & Paige Truett** on the birth of a baby boy! **Nolan Wayne Truett** was born on August 27<sup>th</sup>; he weighed 9 lbs. 1 oz. **Lisa Truett** is the proud grandmother; Ella and Mabry are the big sisters!

There will be a wedding shower for **Brooke Roberts & Harrison Kelley** on September 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00 pm in the fellowship hall. They are registered on Amazon.

There also will be a baby shower for **Nathan & Hannah Armstrong** on September 15<sup>th</sup> in the fellowship hall. They are registered at babylist.com. It's a boy.

Our annual **Magi** boxes sponsored by the Mission Committee are available in both foyers. Please take one and the sheet provided to fill the box. The church will pay the shipping again this year. Deadline is September 29<sup>th</sup>.

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

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

The **Ladies' Bible Class** meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in **room 104**.

If you have a **prayer request**, please use a blue card, and drop it in the wooden box in either foyer.



There will more detailed information in the weeks ahead and another planning meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup> that you are encouraged to attend as we will need volunteers for the day. **If you would like a t-shirt for this event, please fill out a form and turn it in as soon as possible to let us know sizes. Forms are in both foyers.**



**Members:** Gerry Loveless, Ronny Pitman, Chris Kimbro, Rita Sullivan, Martha Butler, Gary Wright, Deborah Peery, Willie Powers, Curtis Edwards, Mike Batts, Donna Pitman, Joyce Bruno, Yvonna Caillouet, Brenda Stoltz (surgery went well), Marlin Lawson, Kita Wright, Randy Prince, Deborah McClellan, Joyce Boyd, Floy Cochran, Carolyn Phillips, Reda Springer, Shanon Irwin, Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb (St. Thomas West), Janey Gilbert, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes (hospice), & Jo Ann Totty.

**Friends & Family:** Betty Baird (sister-in-law of Brenda Stoltz), Terry Barrenger (Matthew Cozart's brother-in-law), Kenneth Chandler (home-no visitors), Edgar Clyde Beard, Linda Canady, Mike Dorton (home-no visitors), Carmela Brown, James Tidwell, Lorye Davidson, Beverly Smith (mother of Laurie Copley, former member), Paul Harvill, Lorrie Davis O'Guin, Ronnie Carroll, Gail Brown, Judy Baggett, David Gossett, Jimmie Jenkins, Ryan Edwards, Brian Powers, Martha Ann McCord, Lou Gann, Gethlyn Gardner (home-cancer), Deborah Johnston, James Buffington, Edwin Garner, Chris Chilton, David Stewart, Willie Lawler, James Coates (Clarksville healthcare facility), Pam Sullivan, Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, Anthony Stacks (procedure on Friday), David Talley, Cory Patterson, James Stoltz, Stephanie Pitman, Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler & Donna Gaspard.

**Life Care:** Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss. Sue Davidson, Gary Yates, Wilma Green.

**The Bridge at Columbia:** Hattie Mayberry, Daisy Beard.



**Sept 3** - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH  
**Sept 8** - 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade Devo, during evening service @ FH  
**Sept 15** - Puppet Show, during evening service in Lift-Off  
**Sept 17** - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH