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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



Mike's Minute

He led them forth by the right way.

Psalm 107:7

At 5:00 on the morning of July 17, 1938, Douglas Corrigan took off in an old, secondhand plane from New York City. He was embarking on a nonstop solo flight across America. He intended to land in Los Angeles. Corrigan's plane ascended, turned into a cloud, and disappeared.

Twenty-eight hours later, Corrigan landed. "I'm Douglas Corrigan," he said to onlookers. "Just got in from New York. Where am I? I intended to fly to California." The stunned onlookers answered, "You are in Dublin, Ireland!"

Known for the rest of his life as "Wrong Way Corrigan," he blamed a faulty compass for his error.

If you are a pilot, a hiker, or a soldier, you'd better have a compass that works with precision. You need a compass that reads accurately in the storms and the clouds... a compass you can rely on when the sky is dark and the landmarks are hidden.

What a tragedy to come to the end of the ultimate trip (life) and realize that we have gone the wrong way and have arrived at the wrong place!

God is the ultimate and only true compass. The Bible gives us the directions we need for life. Let's turn to the Bible, early and often!

In Christian Love,

Mike





Just Joshin'

Hebrews 4:15 (ESV):

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin."

By the time this article goes out, we will find ourselves between two significant dates on our calendar: Labor Day and 9/11. Of course, one of these days is much more positive than the other; however, on both of these days we think of hard work and sacrifice. On Labor Day, we think of the work force of the United States which keeps this nation afloat. On September 11th, we remember and honor the lives that were lost, but we also honor the brave men and women, the firefighters and first responders, who rushed into danger and uncertainty to help whoever they could. These two marked days on our calendars can point us to Jesus, can't they? it's comforting to know that we serve a Savior who truly understands our struggles. Jesus, our High Priest, is not distant or detached from our human experience. He knows what it feels like to be vulnerable, to be tired, and to suffer. He also knows what it's like to be tempted. But unlike us, He resisted sin in every trial. He overcame every labor and obstacle that was in His way. This unique aspect of our Savior offers us great encouragement and hope.

In times of struggle, remember that Jesus is not just a figure of authority; He is a compassionate companion who empathizes with our every weakness. Because of this, we can approach Him with confidence, knowing He offers not only forgiveness but also the strength we need to endure.

As we journey through life's challenges, let's hold fast to the fact that our High Priest understands and walks with us every step of the way.

To God be the glory,

Josh



Stay in touch with us on social media:

Facebook: Fairfield church of Christ - Field Family

Instagram: fcocfamily

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Blood Drive

Centerville Community Fairfield Church of Christ

Fellowship Hall
1860 Hwy.100
Centerville, TN 37033

**Monday, September 15, 2025
1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

PEANUTS x American Red Cross

You can schedule online at redcrossblood.org or at 1-800-RED-CROSS with code Centerville 19.

Join us for our
3rd Annual Fall Festival
Saturday, October 11, 2025
11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Food 11 am - 2 pm Fun for all ages

Door Prizes Games Hay Ride

FREE

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MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Buddy Chandler

Scripture Reading: Steve Baker

Scripture: TBA

Preside Lord's Supper: Gary Bailey

Left: Wallace Smith

Right: Chris Wright

Jeff Stacks

Kenneth Jett

Wes Crowther

Boyce Cannon

Norman George

Lafayette Spears

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Gerry Hinson

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

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Gary Basford

Scripture Reading: Adam Jude

Scripture: Proverbs 2:20-22

Song Leader: Jeff Stacks

Opening Prayer: Roy McCoy

Lord's Supper: Steve Atkinson

Edwin Wright

Closing Prayer: Boyce Cannon

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Randal Halbrooks

Song Leader: Ronny Pitman

Opening Prayer: Wayne Prince

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

Unwanted Visitor

A man, down on his luck, went into a church which catered to the "uppy." Spotting the man's dirty clothes a deacon, worried about the church image, went to the man and asked him if he needed help. The man said, "I was praying and the Lord told me to come to this church." The deacon suggested that the man go pray some more and possibly he might get a different answer. The next Sunday the man returned. The deacon asked, "Did you get a different answer?" The man replied, "Yes I did. I told the Lord that they don't want me in that church and the Lord said, 'Don't worry about it son, I've been trying to get into that church for years and haven't made it yet.'"

From The Mouths of Babies

A little girl went up to her mother one day while holding her stomach, saying, "Mommy, my stomach hurts" Her mother replied, "That's because it's empty. You have to put something into it!" She then prepared a bowl of soup.

Later that day the preacher and his wife came over for dinner. The preacher began to feel bad. Holding his head he said, "I have such a terrible headache!" The little girl looked up at him, giving him a sweet smile, and said, "That's because it's empty. You have to put something into it!"

Funny, Yet Serious

A young preacher came upon a farmer working in his field. Being a zealous soul winner, he inquired about the farmer's soul. "Are you laboring in the vineyard of the Lord, my friend?" asked the preacher.

"Naw, these are soybeans," the farmer replied.

"You don't understand," said the preacher. "Are you a Christian?"

"Nope, my name is Jones. You must be looking for Jim Christian. He lives a mile south of here."

The preacher tried again. "Are you lost?"

"Naw! I've lived here all my life."

"Are you prepared for the resurrection?"

The farmer asked, "When's it gonna be?"

"It could be today, tomorrow, or the next day," the preacher replied.

"Well, don't mention it to my wife, she'll wanna go all three days!"

Are We on the Same Page?

One day a woman's housework-challenged husband decided to wash his sweatshirt. Seconds after he stepped into the laundry room, he shouted to her, "What setting do I use on the washing machine?"

"It depends," she replied. "What does it say on your shirt?"

He yelled back, "University of Tennessee."

WE ARE DELIGHTED YOU HAVE CHOSEN TO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY. YOUR PRESENCE IS AN ENCOURAGEMENT, AND YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME. PLEASE FILL OUT AN ATTENDANCE CARD WHICH YOU WILL FIND IN THE PEW RACK AND DROP IT IN THE BASKET, OR LEAVE IT ON THE SEAT AND IT WILL BE PICKED UP.

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF August 31, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP	236
CONTRIBUTION	\$8,393
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5,417

UPCOMING EVENTS

There will be a bridal shower for **Addie Dorton & Lane Roberts**, September 7th at 2 pm in the fellowship hall. They are registered at Amazon and Target. Also, bring an index card with your favorite recipe to share with the couple.

Relay for Life is selling luminaria bags that will be lit on Relay night September 20th. They are \$5.00 each and can be purchased from any Relay for Life team member. These can be purchased in memory or honor of anyone affected by cancer.

The September men-to-serve/van driver sheets are available to pick up in both foyers.

The 3rd annual Fall Festival will be held October 11th. Sign up lists are out Sunday, September 7th for volunteers, food and drink, t-shirts and door prize baskets. Make plans to attend.

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

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

The next Ladies Bible Study will be Tuesday, September 9th in Room 104 at 6:00 pm.



We express sympathy to the family of **Tanya Rochelle** who passed away Sunday. Her funeral was Friday.



SEPTEMBER

14th - Puppet Show, during evening service in Lift-Off

16th - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30 - 8:30, at the Field House

21st - 3rd - 5th grade Devo, during evening Service at the Field House

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Willie Powers (St. Thomas Midtown), Ronny Pitman, Jean Barber (moving to Maury Regional soon), Jackson Bates, Adam Lawson, Marlin & Barbara Lawson, Janice King, Jan Hopkins-Campbell, Curtis Edwards, Barbara Kelley, Violet Shelby, Whitney Carroll, Melinda Sullivan, Faye Rochelle (broken foot), Woody Woodruff, Brenda Carroll, Sherrie Talley, Bobby C. McCoy, Billy McCoy, Ed Sullivan, Jane Washington, Rita Sullivan, Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon & Jo Ann Totty

Friends & Family: Dottie McClearn, Drew Elliott, Rodney Tune, Jimmy Rivers, Sunny Anglin, Jett Owsley, Janet Barber, Mildred Rochelle, Amalia Rose Shaw, Edna Copley, B.Y. Peery, Doug True, Davy Baker, Linda Canady, Carmela Brown, Paul Harvill, Ronnie Carroll, Ryan Edwards, Deborah Johnston, Willie Lawler, Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, Cory Patterson (home), Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler, David Stewart & Donna Gaspard

Life Care: Floy Cochran, Willie B Coates, Debra Clark, 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.



Thank you! Your prayers for me to have great results with my test were a blessing.

Yvonna Caillout

Thank you for the beautiful lantern sent for my mother's service and for all your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Your support means so much to our family.

With love,

The family of **Glenda Coates**

