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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



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The disciples said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you."

Luke 17:5-6

I have personally witnessed some great faith in my years of ministry. When I encounter great faith, I am encouraged... but also embarrassed. I don't feel like my faith measures up. I wonder if I would demonstrate such great faith if I found myself in similar circumstances.

I want great faith. I ask for it. I pray for it. I spend time in the Word. I try to follow God's guidance. But the kind of great faith I want often eludes me.

What should I do?

Some of you reading this right now can identify with me. You are hoping for and waiting for great faith. You are going to get serious about Christianity... when you have greater faith. You are going to get more involved in church... when you have greater faith. You are going to invite people to church... when you have greater faith.

Here's what Jesus says. It is ok to want great faith. It is good to try to increase faith. But, in the meantime, we should *use the faith we have!*

Don't wait for greater faith. Don't wait for perfect timing. Don't wait for everything to get figured out or settled down. *Do the right thing right now.*

Begin where you are, right now, and take a step of faith. After that, take another step. One day, you will look back and be amazed at how far you have come in your faith journey!

In Christian Love.







Just Joshín'

I came across a passage written by David and it really speaks to how we should be ever mindful as believers. In Psalm 19:14, David offers a beautiful prayer: "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer." It's a reminder that our words and thoughts matter to God. Every day, we have the chance to choose what we say and think, and we can ask God to help us make the choices that properly reflect His love and truth.

As we go through the week, let's be mindful about how we speak to others and what we allow ourselves to dwell on. It's not always easy, but with God's help, our hearts and words can point others to Him. Our Christianity goes far beyond Sunday morning. Our faith is shown by how we present and carry ourselves on a day-to-day basis. So, let's carry ourselves in a way that pleases the Creator!

To God be the glory,

Josh



The 3rd annual Fall Festival will be held **October 11th**. Sign up lists are in the foyer for volunteers to help the day of the festival, for food and drinks, t-shirt and door prize baskets

Please invite your neighbors, friends, and family. This is an event for fellowship, fun, and especially to meet and share the love of God with our community!

If you have any questions about how you can help, please contact Teresa Craft, Sarah Jude, or Cindy Bailey.



October

3rd – Make banana puddings for the Banana Pudding Festival

4th – National Banana Pudding Festival 9 am – 6 pm

5th – National Banana Pudding Festival Noon – 5 pm

7th – Middle/High School Devo 6:30 – 8:30 pm @ the Field House

11th – 3rd Annual Fairfield Fall Festival 11 am – 5 pm

12th – 3rd - 5th Grade Devo During evening service at the Field House

> **19**th – Puppet Show During evening service in Lift-Off

21st – Middle/High School Devo 6:30 – 8:30 pm @ the Field House

31st – Halloweenie Roast 5 pm – 7 pm on the Front Porch Individually wrapped candy and volunteers needed

Also.... The "Celebration" Youth Rally will be held November 14th - 16th in Gilbertsville, KY for Middle and High Schoolers. Cost is \$80.00. Sign up list is in the Field House. Deadline to sign up is **September 28th**. Please encourage your middle and high schoolers to join the Youth Group for this time of fellowship and fun!





OCTOBER

- Tori Daniels
 Amber McDonald
 Barbara Meador
- 2 Anthony Canady Mackenzie Kisiel Paula Slack
- 3 Donna Pitman
- 4 Jeffrey Daniels Cole Irwin Faye Rochelle
- 5 Wyatt Houston Barber Tina Johnson
- 8 Steve Craft Robert Wilson
- 10 Patsy Givens
- 11 Cindy Bailey
- 13 Jill Ward
- 16 Dianne Breece
- 17 Emily Anderson Annalyn Holt Courtney James
- 19 Reba England
- 20 Kenneth Jett O.D. Pratt Arielle Wright
- 21 Ken Kimmons
- 24 Diane Coates
- 25 Glenda Coates
- 26 Carrie Crowther Chris Love
- 27 Gary Basford
- 28 Jerry Perry
- 30 Sheila Brady Stormie Edwards
- 31 Edward Sullivan



OCTOBER

- 1 Ronny & Donna Pitman
- 2 Jerry & Teresa Perry
- 11 Tommy & Alison Stanley
- 13 Mike & Jill Ward
- 18 Dwight & Sharon Burns Jack & Angie Green Caleb & Paige Truett
- 21 Dave & Dot Davidson Ralph & Patsy Givens
- 24 Lyle & Kayla Shepherd
- 26 Charles & Rita Sullivan

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran
Opening Prayer: Ronny Pitman
Scripture Reading: Phillip Coates
Scripture: Psalm 145:17-21
Preside Lord's Supper: Steve Baker

Left: Adam Jude Gerry Hinson Gary Bailey Phillip Coates Right: Jerrie W Barber Wyatt H Barber Dalton Barber Jeffrey Peebles

Announcements: Darin Cochran Closing Prayer: Randal Halbrooks Van Driver: Jack Green 931-994-8317)

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Gary Basford
Scripture Reading: Wes Crowther
Scripture: Matthew 12:36-37
Song Leader: Steve Atkinson
Opening Prayer: Ken Copley
Lord's Supper: Randal Halbrooks

Gary Basford Closing Prayer: Lafayette Spears

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Randal Halbrooks

Song Leader: Jeff Rose Opening Prayer: Roy McCoy

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

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF September 21, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP 216
CONTRIBUTION \$5,887
WEEKLY BUDGET \$5,417



Stay in touch with us on social media: Facebook: Fairfield church of Christ - Field Family

Instagram: fcocfamily Website: fairfieldcofc.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

The elders will meet with the ladies of the congregation September 28th at 5:00 pm in the fellowship hall.

There will be a bridal shower for **Garrett & Cayton Cochran** September 28th at 2 pm in the fellowship hall. Congratulations to this couple who were married recently. They are registered at Amazon.

The October men to serve and van sheets are in both foyers.

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.

Please mark your calendars for **Banana Pudding Festival**. We will be making puddings for the Relay Team starting about noon and the Youth Group starting about **4 pm on October 3**rd. We will need volunteers to help with both groups and also to work the Pudding Path on **Saturday and Sunday**. Please see Teresa Craft for more information.



During a time like this, we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us. Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered. Thank you for the beautiful windchime. I love it.

Retha Duncan

COMFORT CHURCH OF CHRIST 819 Front Street Comfort. Texas 78013

Brothers:

We gratefully acknowledge your generous donation of \$9731.05 for flood relief of the Texas Hill Country. All of the Hill Country Volunteer Fire Departments suffered loss in some manner. With your generous donation combined with donations from our congregation, we will be able to help the Sisterdale Volunteer Fire Department. Thank you. Your contribution will make a difference in the rebuilding process.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Willie Powers (St. Thomas Midtown-no visitors), Floy Cochran, Steve Atkinson (surgery on hands), Jackson Bates, Adam Lawson, Marlin & Barbara Lawson, Jan Hopkins-Campbell (home), Curtis Edwards, Violet Shelby, Melinda Sullivan, Faye Rochelle, Woody Woodruff, Brenda Carroll, Sherrie Talley, Bobby C. McCoy, Billy McCoy, Ed Sullivan, Jane Washington, Rita Sullivan, Dana McCaleb, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon & Jo Ann Totty

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

<u>Life Care:</u> Jean Barber, Floy Cochran, Willie B Coates, 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.



We express our love and sympathy to the family of Floy Cochran who passed away on Thursday morning. Visitation with the family will be Saturday from 4-8 pm Saturday at McDonald funeral home and Sunday 1-2 pm and funeral at 2 pm at Fairfield church of Christ. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations to the Carl & Floy Cochran Scholarship fund.