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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

*Be completely humble and gentle; be patient,
bearing with one another in love.*

Ephesians 4:2

Fragile: Handle With Care.

These words are often stamped on the outside of a package to protect the items inside. Many times, the words are ignored. Packages are thrown, dropped and smashed. Ever have a package arrive that is damaged? I sure have.

The phrase "*handle with care*" should also apply to people. People have a precious soul living inside their body. That soul should be treated with care.

How often is the heart of an individual crushed? The spirit of a child broken? The zeal of a Christian diminished?

The Bible says "the fruit of the Spirit is... gentleness..."

The presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives obligates us to treat others with gentleness. God has not called us to be harsh, mean, uncaring, unfeeling, or unkind. Even when we must confront someone about their behavior, it is to be done gently (Galatians 6:1).

May the Holy Spirit create in us the gracious characteristic of gentleness!

In Christian Love,

Mike





Just Joshin'

LOST

This will be the last bulletin article before Halloween and many of us will encounter a range of perspectives on this day. Some of us may see it as a fun celebration, while others may be less adamant about engaging due to the nature of the holiday. As Christians, we are called to approach every occasion or event with wisdom, grace, and discernment, always reflecting the love of Christ and, yes, this even applies to Halloween!

Halloween can be an opportunity to engage with our communities in a positive way, offering kindness and light in a world that often feels dark. For example, many churches engage in "trunk or treat" or a good halloweenie roast. Whether it's by welcoming members of the community with a warm greeting, sharing some candy, or even inviting someone to church, we can use this time to build connections and share the hope we have in Christ.

While we should be mindful of the traditions associated with Halloween, we are also reminded that we are called to be the light of the world (Matthew 5:14). This season can be a chance for us to shine that light brightly, showing others the love of Christ through our actions and words.

Let's approach Halloween with a heart of generosity, compassion, and grace, remembering that in all things, we are to honor God and reflect His goodness to those around us.

To God be the glory,
Josh

FOR THE RECORD WEEK OF October 19, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP	182
CONTRIBUTION	\$5,365
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5,417

Welcome to all our visitors. Please fill out a visitor's card and leave it on the seat so we can have a record of your visit.

Few words bring about such sadness and cause for concern as this single word. The Bible speaks often of concern for that which was lost. The shepherd searched the wilderness for that one sheep that was lost (Luke 15:4). Our hearts are touched for those we see who have lost their sight, or lost a child, or lost their home in a fire. What a horrific word: Lost!

There is something else that may be lost, which should strike even more terror and sadness into our lives: the thought that our own souls might be lost in eternity. "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul (Mark 8:36)? To lose our soul will be the greatest loss of our existence. No loss can be greater.

Jesus stated that his purpose for coming to earth was "to save that which was lost (Matthew 18:11). He succeeded in that goal by dying on the cross and then by leaving a plan of salvation with the apostles to enable us to profit from his sacrifice. The most crucial question in your life must be: Am I lost? Have I obeyed the plan Christ gave me to redeem my soul?

-Dennis Doughty

Bible Quiz: 1 Timothy 6:11-21

"But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue ____, godliness, faith, love, patience, ____."

Paul told Timothy to fight the ____ fight of ____.

Jesus is called the blessed and only ____, the ____ of kings and ____ of lords.

"Command those who are rich in this present age not to be ____, nor to trust in ____ riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy."

Timothy was to ____ what was committed to his trust, and avoid the ____ and idle ____ and contradictions of what is falsely called knowledge.

Solution: righteousness, gentleness, good, faith; Potentate, King, Lord; haughty, uncertain; guard, profane, babblings





MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Josh Copley

Scripture Reading: Rick Bruno

Scripture: Hebrews 1:1-3

Preside Lord's Supper: Gerry Hinson

Left: Wallace Smith **Right:** Randal Halbrooks

Chris Wright Mike Breece

Carl Daugherty Jeff Stacks

Larry Primm Mike Worley

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Zack Bentley

Van Driver: Gary Basford (931-628-0355)

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Rick Bruno

Scripture Reading: Kenneth Jett

Scripture: 2 Timothy 1:6-7

Song Leader: Ronny Pitman

Opening Prayer: Gary Bailey

Lord's Supper: Lafayette Spears

Boyce Cannon

Closing Prayer: Mathew Wright

Van Driver: Gary Basford (931-628-0355)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Randal Halbrooks

Song Leader: Gary Basford

Opening Prayer: Chris Wright

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

Memorial

A contribution has been given to the Floy & Carl Cochran Scholarship Fund by:

Dick & Linda Smith

Donna Profit

So That's Why!

An elementary school teacher was telling her class about statistics which indicate that more twins are being born these days than in the past.

"Why?" asked a little boy.

"Because," answered a little girl, "little children are afraid to come into the world alone."

A Little Long

The sermon seemed to go on forever. Finally, the minister paused and asked, "What more, my friends, can I possibly say?" From the rear of the assembly came a reply, "Amen!"



Tickets are \$10.00 each
See Sheila or Cindy for tickets

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Elders will meet with the women of the congregation Sunday, October 26th at 5:00 pm in the fellowship hall.

The Ladies Bible Study will be Tuesday, October 28th at 6:00 pm in room 104.

October 31st we will have the **Halloweenie Roast** on the porch of the building from 5 to 7 pm. We will need individually wrapped candy and volunteers to help.

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.



October

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

November

2nd - Puppet Show, during evening service
in Lift-Off

4th - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30 -8:30
at Field House

9th - 3rd -5th grade Devo during evening
Service at Field House

14th - 16th - Celebration at Gilbertsville, KY

18th - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30 - 8:30
at Field House



Stay in touch with us on social media:

Facebook: Fairfield church of Christ - Field Family

Instagram: fcocfamily

Website: fairfieldcofc.org

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Mike Worley, Dave Davidson, Danny King, Curtis Edwards, Mike Batts, Steve Atkinson, Willie Powers, Jackson Bates, Adam Lawson, Marlin & Barbara Lawson, 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: Patrick Brady, Employees and Families of AES (Accurate Energetic Systems) in Bucksport, Janie Choate, Don Luther (St. Thomas Hickman), Michael Harvill, Dottie McClean, Drew Elliott, Rodney Tune, Mark Tune, Jimmy Rivers, Sunny Anglin, 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 (NHC Maury Transitional Care), Kevin Chandler, David Stewart & Donna Gaspard

Life Care: David Talley, 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.

Gospel Meeting

Bill McDonald

November 9-12, 2025

Sunday Morning Bible Study 10:00 AM

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 AM

Covered Dish Meal

Sunday Evening Service 2:00 PM

Monday—Wednesday 7 PM

Everyone Invited
to Attend

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