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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

Even Gentiles, who do not have God's written law, show that they know his law when they instinctively obey it, even without having heard it. They demonstrate that God's law is written in their hearts, for their own conscience and thoughts either accuse them or tell them they are doing right.

Romans 2:14-15

In *First Things First*, Stephen R. Covey tells about a talk he gave to a large group of college students on the subject of the "new morality." Covey could tell as he talked that the students disagreed with his assertion that there are principles in this world that should be respected and adhered to, no matter who you are or how much you believe in personal freedom.

One student presented a case and argued that there was no right or wrong in that situation but that it was a matter of personal interpretation. Not so, said Covey. Anytime you violate a fundamental principle, Covey asserted, there is a price to be paid. By the look on students' faces, however, he knew they considered him to be out of touch with present-day reality.

"Let's try an experiment," Covey suggested. "I believe that each of you knows in your heart what the truth is. Sit quietly for one minute, listen to your heart, and ask yourself what the truth is concerning this situation."

At the end of the minute, Covey asked the young man what he thought now. The young man admitted that his heart had told him the exact opposite of what he had been saying earlier. Another young man admitted that he wasn't so sure of himself anymore either.

There comes a time when we need to stop listening to the crowd and the experts and the polls... and pay attention to the still, small voice that speaks inside of us.

We aren't saying "Let your conscience be your guide." We are saying "Let God guide your conscience." Then, listen.

In Christian Love,

Mike





Just Joshin'

This past Monday I had the privilege of speaking to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. FCA is a club at Hickman County High School where the students come together and are united in Christ. Think of it almost like a youth group at the school. It's led by Matthew Dotson and we were asked if Fairfield could host their Halloween hangout, where they grilled burgers/hot dogs, played games, and dressed up in their best costumes. I was also asked to lead the devotional, which was an absolute honor.

Since it was Halloween, I chose to speak on the topic of "masks". We, as Christians, put on a different face for a variety of reasons. Maybe we're ashamed of our faith? Maybe we're more concerned with looking appealing to the world and to our peers? Whatever the case may be, the Apostle Paul calls us to a genuine, honest belief in Christ. Paul writes in Galatians 1:10, "For am I now seeking the approval of man, or of God? Or am I trying to please man? If I were still trying to please man, I would not be a servant of Christ." Every day we are called to make a choice: Will we seek the approval of God or man?

2nd Corinthians 4 tells us that being open is the marking of a true servant of Jesus. 1 Samuel 16:7 says that God looks upon the heart while man only sees the outside. We can't hide our true nature from God. So, what will our choice be? To hide our faith away? Or to wear the title of Christian loud and proud? Hopefully, it's the latter. Let's go out into the world, professing our faith boldly for all to hear!

To God be the glory,
Josh

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF October 26, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP	211
CONTRIBUTION	\$6,011
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.

5 Reasons We Need to Get Physical Bibles Back in the Church

1. Satan can't distract you. Otherwise, while reading your Bible on your phone, you might get an Instagram message or a text message, and what a time for the devil to take you outside the Word of God!
2. You develop a unique relationship with the weight, the feel and the touch of the physical Bible that you read on a daily basis. Your Bible has one purpose: to draw you closer to God. Your phone has multiple purposes: it is a communications device, a camera, a GPS system, etc. Again, you can get distracted by texting, watching Netflix, etc. while trying to read your Bible.
3. There is nothing else you will do with your Bible besides read it and connect to the Lord.
4. Your Bible grows as you grow. When you look back at the notes and the passages that you have highlighted over the years, you see how much the Word of God has transformed you. You don't get that with a phone.
5. If reading a physical papyrus manuscript was how the Christians in 70 A.D. were able to access the Word of God, it should be satisfactory for us today to hold the Bible in our hands and read it.

Charlie Kirk





NOVEMBER

- 1 Jacob Harlow
- 2 Emily Copley
- 3 Anna Patton
- 4 Mike Kelley
Tara O'Guin
- 5 Jeremy James
- 6 Sarah Jude
Brier Rye
- 8 Steve Baker
Linda Chandler
Anthony Daniels
Marlin Lawson
- 10 Dwight Burns
Tawnie Totty
Cade Wilson
- 11 Shelby Bates
Kim Clayton
Lori Cochran
- 12 Jacob Sullivan
- 13 Erik Hassell
- 12 Al Williams
- 17 Jana Willis
- 18 Shelia Plunkett
- 19 Carter Bates
- 20 Dana McCaleb
- 21 Janet Basford
Nic Hutchings
Melissa Worley
- 22 Hannah Armstrong
- 23 Lauren McCrory
- 25 Chelley Love
- 27 Bartlett Daniels
- 29 Lauren Demary



NOVEMBER

- 17 Travis & Jennifer Barber
- 19 Terry & Lisa Barber

Memorial

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

Hudgins Family

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Gary Bailey

Scripture Reading: Steve Atkinson

Scripture: Psalm 119:69-72

Preside Lord's Supper: Buddy Chandler

Left: Lafayette Spears **Right:** Kenneth Jett

Mike Worley James Swaw

Ronny Pitman

Morgan Patton

Vance Willis

Adam Jude

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Randal Halbrooks

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

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Gary Basford

Scripture Reading: Phillip Coates

Scripture: Psalm 34:4-5

Song Leader: Ronny Pitman

Opening Prayer: Gary Wright

Lord's Supper: Edwin Wright

Mathew Wright

Closing Prayer: Lafayette Spears

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Randal Halbrooks

Song Leader: Gary Basford

Opening Prayer: Kenneth Jett

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



UPCOMING EVENTS

Ladies Craft Night will be Tuesday, November 4th at 6 pm in Room 104.

The men to serve and van driver sheets for November are available to be picked up 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.



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: Conner Peebles (scheduled for surgery in December), Mike Worley, Dave Davidson, Danny King, Curtis Edwards, Mike Batts, Steve Atkinson, 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: Randy Pitman (brother of Ronny), Deborah Roberts (scheduled for surgery in November), Patrick Brady, Employees and Families of AES (Accurate Energetic Systems) in Bucksnot, Janie Choate, Don Luther, Michael Harvill, Dottie McClellan, Drew Elliott, 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.



We express sympathy to the family of **Jean Barber**, her visitation will be this Sunday, November 2nd from 12 noon till funeral service at 2. There will be a meal for the family after the service.

We express sympathy to the family of **Willie Powers** who passed away Wednesday morning. Arrangements are incomplete at this time. We will plan on a meal for the family after the service.

We express sympathy to the family of **Rodney Tune** who passed away Thursday morning.