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Worship & Bible Study:
SUNDAY
Worship 9:00 AM
Bible Study 10:15 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY
Bible Study 7:00 PM

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931-729-9846



Mike's Minute

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.

Mark 1:35

A key in building faith and resisting stress is the very thing some Christians do the least: spending time alone with God. This spiritual practice is essential to building faith.

Among many other benefits, prayer is a great stress reliever. Prayer allows you to "ventilate vertically." It enables you to release the stress of keeping up appearances and living up to the expectations of others. Prayer is how you unload your burdens and admit you can't carry them alone. It's where you are reminded that God is ready and willing to help you with every stressful thing you face in life.

How do you develop a habit of spending time alone with God? Through practice and repetition. It's not a habit unless you do it over and over again, regularly and consistently.

Jesus practiced this spiritual discipline. No matter how busy he got, Jesus knew he needed time alone with God. Do you take time on a regular basis to slow down and get quiet and still before the Lord so you can reflect and be renewed?

Consider starting your day in prayer and meditation instead of on your phone, TV, or social media.

I love the way the King James Version renders Mark 6:31:

And he (Jesus) said unto them, "Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest for a while…"

Here is the simple slogan I hope you will take away from this article… **Come apart or you will come apart!**

In Christian Love,

Mike



Just Joshin'

Sadly, we live in a culture that puts a lot of stock on physical appearance. Everywhere we look, we see messages telling us how to "look younger," dress better, lose weight, or keep up with the latest trends. Social media only amplifies this issue and makes it even easier to compare ourselves to others and feel like we don't measure up.

In 1 Peter 3:3-4, Peter reminds us that true beauty isn't about outward appearances, but about "the hidden person of the heart" and "the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit." God sees beyond what the world sees. He looks at our hearts, our character, and the way we love and treat others.

There's nothing wrong with taking care of ourselves or looking our best, but we shouldn't let our appearance define our worth. It doesn't last forever. Outward beauty fades with time, but a heart of righteousness will grow in beauty as time passes. God looks within…so let's allow Him to shape our appearance!

To God be the glory,

Josh

GOSPEL MEETING

Fall Gospel Meeting at
Columbia Avenue church of Christ
November 8th
Guest Speaker: Bro. Kenneth Fleming, Jr.
Join us for Fellowship and Worship
Bible Study: 10:00 am
Morning Worship: 11:00 am
Lunch following Morning Worship
Afternoon Worship: 2:00 pm

FUNNY ONE

A couple was celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Over the years they had raised a brood of 10 children and were blessed with 22 grandchildren. When asked the secret for staying together all that time, the wife replied, "Many years ago we made a promise to each other: the first one to pack up and leave has to take all the kids."

CRITICIZED FOR DOING GOOD

A Post Office worker, at the main sorting office, finds an unstamped, poorly hand-written envelope, addressed to God. He opens it and discovers it is from an elderly lady, distressed because all her savings -- $200 -- have been stolen. She will be cold and hungry this Christmas.

He organizes the postal workers, who dig deep and come up with $180 to donate. They get it to her by special courier the same morning. A week later, the same postal worker recognizes the same handwriting on another envelope. He opens it.

"Dear God, thank you for the $180 for Christmas, which would have been so bleak otherwise.
P.S. It was $20 short but that was probably those thieving workers at the Post Office."

Criticism is never easy to accept, but it is at least easier to accept when it is deserved. Being criticized for something we didn't do, especially when we were trying to do something nice, is tough to handle. It's bad enough not to be appreciated for our acts of kindness; it's even worse to be slandered. And yet Peter said we should be thankful for those times!

"For it is commendable if a man bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because he is conscious of God. But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God." (I Peter 2:19- 20)

What's the benefit of being mistreated so? Well, for one thing, it puts us in pretty good company.

"To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps." (I Peter 2:20)

--Alan Smith

"We don't work to earn our salvation. We show our gratitude to God for saving us by helping others and keeping God's commands."

"Most believers are educated way beyond their level of obedience. They don't need to learn more. They need to DO more." Jesus' words at the final judgment will be, "Well done, good and faithful servant," not "well known" or "well said." "Well done" is not just for steaks!"

--Mike Kelley



NOVEMBER

1 Jacob Harlow
2 Emily Copley
3 Anna Patton
4 Mike Kelley
Tara O'Guin
5 Jeremy James
6 Sarah Jude
Corey Rogers
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
Al Williams
13 Erik Hassell
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

FUNNY ONE

A girl watched, fascinated, as her mother smoothed cold cream on her face. "Why do you do that?" she asked. "To make myself beautiful," said the mother, who began removing the cream with a tissue.

"What's the matter?" asked the girl, "Giving up?"

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:
Song Leader: Darin Cochran
Opening Prayer: Josh Copley
Scripture Reading: Rick Bruno
Scripture: Isaiah 55:6-7
Preside Lord's Supper: Randal Halbrooks

Left:	**Right:**
Wallace Smith	Jerrie W Barber
Chris Wright	Mike Breece
Phillip Coates	Keith Harvill
Curtis Edwards	Mike Worley

Announcements: Darin Cochran
Closing Prayer: Steve Atkinson
Van Driver: Angie Green (931-219-7979)

SUNDAY EVENING:
Announcements: Gary Basford
Scripture Reading: Ken Copley
Scripture: Psalm 84:10-12
Song Leader: Ronny Pitman
Opening Prayer: Gary Bailey
Lord's Supper: Lafayette Spears, Boyce Cannon
Closing Prayer: Gary Basford
Van Driver: Angie Green (931-219-7979)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:
Announcements: Randal Halbrooks
Song Leader: Gary Basford
Opening Prayer: Chris Wright
Van Driver: Jack Green (931-994-8317)

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF October 18, 2026

MORNING WORSHIP	**225**
CONTRIBUTION	**$5,116**
2026 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.



Stay in touch with us on social media:
Facebook: ***Fairfield church of Christ - Field Family***
Instagram: ***fcocfamily***
Website: ***fairfieldcofc.org***

UPCOMING EVENTS

Rita Beard came forward Sunday morning requesting prayers and for her niece Veronica Brown.

Congratulations to **Olivia Craft** as Novice Teacher of the year at Centerville Elementary School.

The elders will meet with the men of the congregation today, Sunday, October 25th at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Youth Tailgate, Wednesday, October 28th @ 5:30 pm in the C.L.U.B. House.

October 31st will be our annual **Halloweenie Roast** from 5 – 7 pm on the front porch. The Field Training kids will be making bags to hand out that night. We will need volunteers to help with the event that night.

Bible Camp for K–5th grade is every Sunday night in Lift-off during evening services.

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

The **Ladies Bible Study** is scheduled for this Tuesday, October 27th at 6:00 pm in room 104.

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

The Field Guide has been updated and you may pick up a copy. They are in both foyers. Please only **one** per family.

Do you know the steps to salvation?

We must listen to Him (Luke 10:16),

believe in Him (John 11:25),

repent of sin (Mark 1:15),

confess Him (Matthew 10:32),

be baptized into Him (Galatians 3:27),

and live faithfully to Him (Galatians 2:20).

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Joyce Boyd, Donna Pitman, Zack Harvill, Gary Bailey, Terry Barber (had shoulder surgery this week and is home), Veronica Brown, Rita Beard, Brenda Yates (had eye surgery this week), Brenda Fly, Mary Morphis, Tina Johnson, Chris Kimbro, Connor Peebles, Tommie Newsom, Lloyd Rochelle, Virginia Bailey, Sharon Rochelle, Jeff Rose, Yvonna Caillouet (back surgery soon), Woody Woodruff (radiation treatments October 26th), Dana McCaleb, Brandy Sullivan, Adam Lawson, Marlin & Barbara Lawson, Brenda Carroll, Billy McCoy, Ed Sullivan, Rita Sullivan, Lelia Mae Poore, & Dorothy Weatherspoon (St. Thomas Hickman)

Friends & Family: Mario Frazier, Ricky Harness (tests), Edwin Garner, Scottie Bass, Tommy Swaw (nephew James & Joyce-cancer), Lisa Warf Meeks, Kenneth Copley (St. Thomas Hickman-therapy), Lennon Delk (leukemia), Colene Beasley, Zander Caroon (Children's hospital in Alabama-Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever), Andy Dillingham (hospice), April Dillingham (parents of Dale), Kim Totty, Ila Fay Jenkins, Kathy Coleman, Lynda Walton, Jeff Clark, Elizabeth Click, Leah Owens, Philip Edwards, Hilda Atkinson, Lisa Bozeman, Linda Thomasson, Tammy Boone, Frances McMeen, Mike Avery, Doug Gardner, Regina Elkins, Kathryn Purcell, Dottie McClearan, Jimmy Rivers, Sunny Anglin, Mildred Rochelle, Edna Copley, Doug True, Linda Canady, Paul Harvill, Ronnie Carroll, Ryan Edwards, Willie Lawler, Pat Garrett, Cory Patterson, Carolyn Nash, Bryan Williams, Kevin Chandler, David Stewart & Donna Gaspard

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