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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

Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

Mark 16:15

A small dog was struck by a car. As it lay by the side of the road, a doctor drove by. He noticed that the dog was still alive, so he stopped the car, picked up the dog, and took it home with him.

Upon closer examination, he discovered that the dog had suffered a few scrapes and abrasions, but otherwise was alright. He fed the dog and gave it water. He cleaned and disinfected the wounds. Then, he carried the dog outside, intending to place it in the garage where he would provide a temporary bed.

As he carried the dog outside, however, the dog wiggled free from his arms, jumped to the ground, and scampered off.

"What an ungrateful dog," the doctor said to himself. He was glad the dog had recovered so quickly, but was a little miffed that the dog had shown so little appreciation for his expert, gentle care.

He thought no more about the incident until the next evening, when he heard a scratching at his front door. When he opened the door, he found the little dog he had treated. Beside the little dog was another injured dog.

Has the Great Physician treated you? Would you tell someone else who has been injured by life about your healing? Would you invite them to come with you to meet the God who heals?

Remember, a Christian should keep the faith... but not to himself!

In Christian Love,

Mike





Just Joshin'

It seems that our church family and community have, tragically, suffered a great deal of loss over the last few months. As Christians, it can feel deflating and, frankly, it can make you feel mortal. We get this feeling, a pit in our stomach, that we wish we could shake. It can, potentially, even have an impact on our faith. So, what do we do?

I'm a big believer in going to scripture when we have these sorts of questions. The Bible is full of hope and comfort, especially during moments in our lives when it seems those two things are severely lacking. What's so wonderful about the Bible is that it is full of characters and people who have endured great sorrow and strife with whom we can relate.

One of those figures is David, the "man after God's own heart." He went through a tremendous amount of pain and suffering. He is known for his wonderful writings in the book of Psalms that express these feelings. Psalm 34:18 says, "The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit." David knew suffering but he also knew that God was the only solution.

The Savior Himself, Jesus Christ, says in Matthew 5:4, in the beatitudes, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." Life is hard, ladies and gentlemen. That much is certain. Thankfully, we serve a loving, comforting God who walks beside us every step of the way. As we go about this life, let's turn to Him in our time of need. We won't find peace anywhere else.

To God be the glory,
Josh

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF November 2, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP	227
CONTRIBUTION	\$6,128
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.



9 women were present at craft night last Tuesday and made these gifts for some shut-ins in the nursing home.

Don't Let Your Temper Destroy You!

When anger is on the throne, reason is in the chains of slavery. Anger is short-term madness. Men are like steel—when they lose their tempers, they are worthless.

Anger causes the innocent to be punished. So many times, the husband, angry because of a difficult day, takes out his feelings on his family. Anger creates a feeling of instability that can aggravate the repetition of a mistake rather than the prevention of the mistake recurring. Anger hurts the individual physically and mentally. To be angry is to revenge the faults of others upon yourself. So often the fire that you kindle for your enemy burns you more than Him.

To combat anger, you will find that prayer can be an effective tool. Sometimes talking to a friend in confidence can make the difference. Perhaps just taking a short walk will calm your feelings.

"He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city" (Proverbs 16:32).

*Virgil R. Trout
October 1985*



MEN TO SERVE

Thank you everyone for the prayers. I am home now and doing well.

Janie Choate

Parents —

Go to church.

Go to church late.

Go to church tired.

Go to church frustrated.

Go to church even if it disrupts nap time.

Go to church even if you spend the whole time soothing your baby.

Because one day, those little eyes watching you will remember that you went anyway.

You'll never regret the example you set, the faith you built, or the seeds you planted on the days it would've been easier to stay home.

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Besides, going to church has a way of filling what the week tried to empty.

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Adam Jude

Scripture Reading: Robert Graf

Scripture: TBA

Preside Lord's Supper: Josh Copley

Left: Zack Harvill Right: Chris Wright

Chris Love Cole Patton

Phillip Coates Boyce Cannon

Marty England Curtis Edwards

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Norman George

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

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Randal Halbrooks

Scripture Reading: Boyce Cannon

Scripture: Psalm 94:18-19

Song Leader: Jeff Stacks

Opening Prayer: Lafayette Spears

Lord's Supper: Ronny Pitman

Boyce Cannon

Closing Prayer: Gary Basford

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Gary Wright

Song Leader: Ronny Pitman

Opening Prayer: Steve Atkinson

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

HALLOWEENIE ROAST 2025



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thank you to everyone that came out last Friday night to help with the Halloweenie Roast.

If you brought food for the two meals last weekend, please check the fellowship hall for dishes, and there is some food left in the refrigerator.

It is that time of year when we start collecting money for Christmas gifts for needy children. We will collect this Sunday. There will be envelopes in the adult classes for donations, or donations can be given to the elders or Cindy Bailey.

Any lady interested in Secret Pals for 2026, and if you aren't already involved, please see Sheila Brady by December 3rd.

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 ladies' Bible study, which meets the second and fourth Tuesday of every month, will be meeting this Tuesday, November 11th at 6pm in room 104. This will be our last class of the year. We will resume next year after the holidays,



November

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: Peggy McCoy (hip replacement surgery Nov. 10), Deborah Roberts (scheduled for surgery in November), Ronny Pitman (MRI Thursday), Conner Peebles (scheduled for surgery in December), Mike Worley, Dave Davidson, 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), Patrick Brady, 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.

Memorial

A contribution has been given in memory of Floy Cochran and to the Floy & Carl Cochran Scholarship Fund by:

Rick & Joyce Bruno

A contribution has been given in memory of Jean Barber by:

**Chris & Jenny Teet
Nick Batts Family
Grady Teet Family**