

Those to Serve This Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. Prayer	Ben Walker
A.M. Closing Prayer	R.L. Roller
P.M. Prayer	Jim Rhodes
P.M. Closing Prayer	Mike Kerrigan
Lord's Table	* K. Everett, D. Duty J. E. Albritton, R. Hudoba
Song Leader	Billy Anderson
Greeters	D. Dvorshock, R.L. Roller
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Sharon Anderson Casey Fletcher
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	David Williams (9-2-20)

Those to Serve Next Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. Prayer	Brian Braxton
A.M. Closing Prayer	Dennis Milam
P.M. Prayer	Mike Kerrigan
P.M. Closing Prayer	David Williams
Lord's Table	* J. Rhodes, Chris Cook S. Richardson, D. Dvorshock
Song Leader	Tracey Brantley
Greeters	Mike & Connie Kerrigan
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Paula Strickland
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Ron Hudoba (9-9-20)

The Record Speaks	
Date	Aug. 23, 2020
Bible Class	--
A.M. Worship	93
P.M. Worship	--
Contribution	--
Date	Aug. 26, 2020
Wed. Attendance	30

Schedule of Events	
<b>Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> thru Sept. 5<sup>th</sup></b>	
<b>Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> 9:45 A.M.</b>	Bible Class
<b>10:45 A.M.</b>	Worship
<b>6:00 P.M.</b>	Evening Worship
<b>Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> 12:30 P.M.</b> Men's Prayer Group	
<b>7:00 P.M.</b>	Bible Classes
<b>Benevolence:</b> Ron Hudoba – 368-4886 Tracey Brantley – 368-9106	
<b>VBS</b> – Third week in June every year	

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## Farmerville Church Of Christ

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[farmervillechurchofchrist.org](http://farmervillechurchofchrist.org)

Narcotics Anonymous  
meetings here every Tuesday  
night at 6:30.

AA and Al-Anon meetings  
here every Thursday night at  
6:30.

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*“Come  
to  
me,*

*all you who are weary  
and burdened, and  
I will give you rest.”*

*Matthew 11:28*

## Family Rules

*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Galatians 5:22-23*

We find security in knowing who we are and where we come from. In our home, we have our “family rules” posted on the wall. These rules serve as a reminder to us, and to anyone entering our home, of who we are as a family. We are thankful, we dream big and laugh loudly, respect ourselves and others. When someone crosses the threshold of our home, they can expect to be greeted with kindness, coffee, and a whole lot of kids.

These family rules also serve as a plumb line by which we can measure our attitudes and actions. If there is a relational issue, those involved can stop and ask one another, “What is the point of all this tension? Is there a family rule that is being broken?” In most instances, a simple reminder is all that’s needed to correct a behavior.

The fruit of the Spirit mentioned in Scripture could be considered a Christian family rules, describing who we are as Christ followers. If we are abiding in the Spirit, then we will exhibit the appropriate fruit. Our actions will be guided by love. Our lives will display joy, peace, and patience. Our relationships will be marked by kindness, goodness, faithfulness, and gentleness. We will handle ourselves with self-control, doing all these things because it is who we are as a people.

When we find ourselves in a situation wrought with strife or tension, we can look to this passage in Galatians and discern which piece of the fruit is lacking. As we determine which characteristic is missing, we can ask God to restore it.

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## Release Our Burdens To Jesus

We should release our burdens to Jesus along the way. Jesus said, “Come to Me and I will give you rest for the journey.” You will find that the cares don’t disappear, but the burden of the cares and work will.

I have found that burdened spirits often lead to physical problems. I don’t think our systems can work properly if we try to carry a load too heavy for them. We need to learn to rest in our Father’s ability to take our abilities and bring us security. After His rest, we can perform our responsibilities and continue the journey toward the goal.

Not all burdens have to be big, important ones in order to weigh us down. Small frustrations affect us, too. If you don’t think little things mean a lot, try pulling your thumb out of a noose of Scotch tape or tripping on a shoestring while you’re jogging! It’s not usually the big mountains in our paths that make life hard; it’s the small pebbles in our shoes.

It will help us on the journey to remember that even Jesus “for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame” (Heb. 12:2). He remained faithful during His walk through the earth because He knew heaven was waiting for Him at the end of His journey here.

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## You Need to Know

### *Birthdays this week:*

**Monday, Aug. 31 – Beverly Hearn & Brian Braxton**

**Tuesday, Sept. 1 – Anna Cobb Kinnison**

**Wednesday, Sept. 2 – Julie Duty & Stephanie Brantley**

**Thursday, Sept. 3 – Jenna Allen**

### *Anniversaries this week:*

**Wednesday, Sept. 2 – R.L. & Doris Roller**

**Thursday, Sept. 4 – Travis & Lacie Blake & Bobby & Carol Fletcher**

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We need to continue to pray for those families who have lost loved ones, and those who are sick with Covid19 and other illnesses.

The Ladies Morning in the Park was postponed due to Hurricane Laura. More info will given later.

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*If you can't be a pine on the top of the hill, be a shrub in the valley – but be*

*The best little shrub at the side of the rill;*

*Be a bush if you can't be a tree.*

*If you can't be a bush, be a bit of the grass,*

*Some highway to happier make;*

*If you can't be a muskie, then just be a bass,*

*But the liveliest bass in the lake.*

*We can't all be captains, we've got to be crew,*

*there's something for all of us here.*

*There's big work to do and there's lesser to do,*

*and the task we must do is the near.*

*If you can't be a highway, then just be a trail;*

*If you can't be a sun, be a star.*

*It isn't by size that you win or you fail;*

*Be the best of whatever you are.*

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## Those in Need of Special Prayer

**Yyvern Taylor**

**Lynette Hughes**

**“Bee” Stewart**

**Eloyce Everett**

**Alan & Liz Hyde**

**Sherry Taylor**

**Cooter Anderson**

**Katherine Hebert**

**Elaine Brantley**

**Tommy Lomax**

**Betty Perot**

**Elta Knight**

**Betty Swarers**

**Lorraine McDaniel**

**Molly Bergeron**

**Wanda Trichell**

**Charles Archibald**

**Krew-Ron & Roseann’s great-grandson**

**Doris Roller**

**Joe Albritton**

**“Hoss” Brantley**

**Letsy Everett**

**Steve Brantley**

**Dan Albritton**

**Cindy Lanham**

**Bobby Fletcher**

**Betty Reese**

**Steve Davis**

**Roxanna Gill**

**Patsy Williams**

**Laiken Heard**

**Bruce Rice**

**Joyce Watson**

**Caden Wilson**

**Pam Holloway**

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## **The Joys of a Clear Conscience**

When you’re about to do something you know is wrong, a little voice inside your head has a way of speaking up. That voice, of course, is your conscience: an early-warning system designed to keep you out of trouble. If you listen to that voice, you’ll be okay; if you ignore it, you’re asking for headaches or heartbreaks or both.

Few things in life will torment you more than a guilty conscience. Thankfully, the reverse is also true: a clear conscience is a lasting reward that becomes yours when you know that you’ve done the right thing.

Whenever you’re about to make an important decision, you should listen carefully to the quiet voice inside. Sometimes, of course, it’s tempting to do otherwise. From time to time you’ll be tempted to abandon your better judgment by ignoring your conscience. Instead of ignoring that quiet little voice, pay careful attention to it. If you do, your conscience will lead you in the right direction.

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