



## Times of Worship

- Sunday Bible Classes:** 9am  
**Sunday AM Worship:** 10am  
**Sunday PM Worship:** 5pm  
**Wednesday Bible Study:** 7pm

## Join us Online

### Church Website:

<https://www.westfayettechurchofchrist.com/>

### YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGckN8D9NwwX3KUuQ4GRKyA>

## Interested in a Bible Study?

Please send an email to [patcawthon@gmail.com](mailto:patcawthon@gmail.com)

## Evangelist

Patrick Cawthon

## Contentment

“Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all is vanity” - Ecc 12:8

Within the past month I have been asked, “How can I be happy?” This question has led me to study the topic of contentment and how we can achieve the goal of being content by looking to God’s Word. Thanks to Patrick, I am able to share my studies with the congregation, and I hope those who read this will find it beneficial to them in any way possible.

The Ecclesiastes writer tells us that all is vanity. The meaning of vanity is emptiness, and when you plug that word in, it means, there is no point in anything! The distractions we possess have no meaning, and they keep us from being content through God’s Word. Patrick, in our last bulletin, wrote about distractions, and I would like to elaborate further on how these distractions restrain us from being content through God’s Word.

Over time, these distractions have changed due to the development of modern technology. We today, as Christians, face the distraction of technology. Though the use of technology can be for good, it is still able to hold our attention and keep us from doing God’s will. For an example, social media. Once again, it can be used for good, but it can also distract us and hurt us. I have seen many teenagers, and

## Week of February 5

### Attendance

- ✦ **AM Service** - 65
- ✦ **PM Service** - 45
- ✦ **Wednesday Service** - 43

### Contribution

- ✦ Weekly Budget \$2,400
- ✦ Contribution - \$2,337

### Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries

- ✦ Michele Burgess (2/12)
- ✦ Glendy Carswell (2/17)

### Calendar Items

**Women's Bible Study** Tuesday at the building at 11a (Philippians)

**Song Learning Class** today at 4pm at the building

**Next Men's Meeting** is February 26th at 4pm at the building

### Today's Lessons

- ✦ God's Power In Uneducated Men
- ✦ David Receives the Kingdom

### Midweek Bible Study

- ✦ Luke 9:51

others, who have fallen into depression because of social media. There are just many distractions that we need to be aware of, so when the temptation comes, we can overcome it.

Yet again, these distractions are all vain, and will always leave us wanting more. However, thanks to the Lord, He has given us the means and opportunity to be content and to do His will. He has also given us examples of His followers being content and many verses to go with it.

Let's look at Paul. We all know his story. Paul, after meeting Jesus on the road to Damascus, became a Christian. Because of the Christian life he lived from there on, he suffered many persecutions throughout the rest of his life. He was beaten, stoned, shipwrecked, hungry and thirsty, cold and without warmth (2 Cor 11:22-33), yet he was still content.

Paul tells us in Philippians 4:11-13, that he has learned that whatever state he is in, he is content. We know Paul is a strong and devout Christian, and if he can be content, why can't we? We have it far better than he probably would have ever had. We have faster transportation. We have air conditioning. We have technology! And the list could go on, yet we are not content! The Hebrew writer tells us to be content with what we have (Hebrews 13:5) because godliness with contentment is great gain (1 Timothy 6:6).

Now the question is, "How can I be content?" "Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." (Ecc 12:13) We can be content, but it requires discipline and obedience. We must follow God's Word to reach contentment and obtain the crown of everlasting life.

May we be content.

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