**SEPTEMBER 28, 2025** 

# 9:00 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

# THE CONNECTION.

INTENTIONALLY CONNECTED TO GOD, HIS WORD, HIS WORLD AND EACH OTHER.

Song Leader Todd Miller

Behold Our God

**Favorite Scripture** 

Prayer loe Burchfield

How Deep the Father's Love

Communion & Contribution Michael Crouch

Faithful Love

Love Lifted Me

"Living the Worldview of lesus"

**Grant Fitzhugh** 

Announcements Michael Claxton

**Special Announcement** Noel Whitlock

**Shepherd's Prayer** David Burks

## EXPERIENCING THE HARDING LECTURESHIP

In the foothills of the Ozarks, about a week after the first day of autumn, the annual Harding Lectureship begins. This is one of the university's flagship opportunities for alumni and friends to join in three days of focused study on different topics, fellowship, and worship.

Getting my batteries recharged by meeting old friends or seeing the excited faces of students and visitors from across the country (and the world) is icing on the cake for me. I am always struck by the sense of community and unity that brings us together.

The lectures themselves are the center of the experience, and since I usually preached for small churches in the Searcy area, it was always refreshing for me to learn some new approach to evangelism, or something else, that I could carry back to the folks at the Possum Grape church or to Northside in Augusta.

Equally thrilling for me was promoting the lectureship among smaller churches and seeing their members come, participate in the beautiful singing, and hear powerful lessons from men such as Neale Pryor, Jimmy Allen, and Jim Bill McInteer. I got to share in the joy of witnessing simple, faithful Christians develop broader horizons and renewed zeal for the work of the Lord. Some loved Harding so much they began to send their children and to support the school financially.

Probably some of my most inspiring and uplifting moments at lectureship came later in the evening when I visited and discussed the happenings of the day over a cup of coffee or a burger in the student center. Those times with friends helped me process what I had heard and led to some very lively conversations. In those informal gatherings, we had plenty to discuss, and we all learned and grew as a result.

When it is all said and done, most of us learn best in a communal setting. The community of faith and learning I have experienced at the

Harding Lectureship has certainly helped me to be a better Christian. Not only that, but the church is made stronger and encouraged by it.

So as the days start to shorten and the leaves begin to fall, my thoughts always go back to Harding and the lectureship that has served us all so well.\*

**Paul Pollard** 

\*The 2025 HU Inspire Lectureship is September 28-October 1.





# **NEW MEMBERS**

Welcome **James & Emma Rosengartner!** We're thrilled to have you join College Church.

## **DIGITAL TRANSITION**

We know the recent digital transition has brought some frustrations, and we want you to know you're not alone. Click here for all our available resources. If those don't resolve your concern, you can always reach out to the church office. Prefer online help? Fill out this form, and we'll contact you to set up a time to walk you through it. If you haven't switched your online giving to the College Church of Christ app from Abundant, please do so immediately. For assistance, you can check out our helpful resources or contact the church office.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

We are aware that many users are unable to "stay signed in" when accessing the church directory through the College Church of Christ app. To provide a more reliable option, we encourage you to download the Instant Church Directory app directly to your smartphone.

Search for Instant Church Directory and install the app. Once it's installed, enter your email address and the code sent to your email. Be sure to select "Keep me signed in" when prompted. After that, you'll have the Instant Church Directory app ready to use on your phone.

We're missing photos for most of our members. Only about 20% are in so far.

Once you're logged in, tap the three lines in the top left corner of your screen, then select "Edit My Family" to upload your photo.

# **SIMPLE SUPPER**

Join us Wednesday, October 8, in Room 121, for Simple Supper. To ensure we have the right amount of food, RSVP using this link by Sunday, October 5.

# **GANUS GROUP**

The **Charles Ganus** Shepherding Group will have a potluck on Sunday, October 5, following Bible Class in Room 100.

# SUPPORTED MISSIONARY

Evan Todachine, one of our supported missionaries (Kayenta, AZ), is part of the lectureship. Say hello on campus or contact the church office for other opportunities to greet him.

# PRAYERS, PRAISE & SYMPATHY

Cleve Brooks, The Springs; Kent Giboney, UH 3411; Louise Jackson; Alison Johnson, Unity Health, no visitors; Edna Nichols; Laveda Perdue; Harriett Raley; Danny R. Wood; Dennis Yecke.

Scott & Cheryl Finley would like to announce the birth of a new granddaughter: Anna Catherine Philbrick, born to Alex & Tara Philbrick of Little Rock on September 15. Great-grandmother is **Bettye Finley** and great-aunt is **Heather Rollins**.

**David Lawyer**, husband of **Genny Lawyer**, and father of **Amy Maddox**, passed away on Saturday, September 20.

#### FALL ON THE FARM

Everyone is invited to join us Sunday, October 26, 3:00-5:30 p.m., at the home of **Matthew & Chloe Martin**, 1546 Highway 167 North, in Bradford. We will have a chili cook-off, hot dogs, hayrides, corn hole tournament, inflatables, animals, Posh Potty and more. Bring your lawn chairs and best pot of chili to share! There will also be a devo and singing. Everyone is invited, and all small groups are encouraged to attend. There will be a bus for seniors leaving from the Welcome Center. **Click here to RSVP**. A 5:00 p.m. service will be held at the building that evening.

#### MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RESOURCES

**Click here** to view all the resources and class videos from the Marriage Enrichment Seminar, the recommended resources, and contact information for local marriage therapists and agencies. Remember, this is the last week to sign up for the 2025-26 **couple-to-couple marriage mentoring program**. We will begin pairing up next month. May God bless all of our engagements and marriages.

#### WINTER COAT DRIVE

The date for the Winter Coat Drive is Saturday, October 18. We are collecting coats and hoodies in the barrels in the Welcome Center. Please bring your clean and gently used or new coats and hoodies as soon as possible. We will need around 50 church members to help at the coat drive; click here to sign up.

#### **ELDER SELECTION TIMELINE**

October 5 - Names Presented; October 12 - Objections Due; October 26 - Installation

## CANCELED CLASSES AND SERVICES

Evening services Sunday, September 28 Ladies Bible class Tuesday, September 30 All Bible classes Wednesday, October 1

# **FAMILY CONCERNS**

Briarwood: Ellen Brown 104

Providence: Harold Norwood 316 Providence Memory Care: Beverly Blickenstaff;

Maydean Jones, mother of **Rhonda Landis** 

The Crossing: Rick Boutell 308; Maxine Morton 204A; Eloise Muncy 115B

The Springs: Alice Bell

Ongoing Prayer Requests: **Brian Altmiller**; **Fannie Amy; Brian Harrington; Gary Smith;** Amy Qualls, daughter of **Cheryl Riggs**; **Shannon Spears**; David Mathews, grandson of **Darren & Kim Mathews**, return of cancer; Jason Roberson, son of **Gary & Shauna Vodehnal** 

#### SEARCHERS BIBLE CLASS

Join **Drew Clothier** on Sunday mornings in Room 102 for a class on *Israel Going into Exile*, covering Daniel, Ezra, Esther, and Nehemiah.

## STUDENT MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

I'm Sophie Vergne, a junior nursing major from Franklin, TN. I love spending time with friends, reading, baking, walking, and traveling with my family— especially to new states and national parks. Some of my favorite College Ministry moments have been game nights, Wednesday home Bible studies, and the spring skate night. I've enjoyed serving in the children's ministry and am so thankful for the intergenerational community at College Church. I'm grateful for everyone who pours time and energy into the College Ministry and excited to make more memories during my time at Harding.



# **ELDERS MEETING SUMMARY SEPT 2025**

This month the elders

- · Prayed for specific needs in the church family;
- Invited Dennis & Cheri Yecke; Gale & Dana Hanna; and Brian, Ann, Delaney, Kacey, & Jack Harrington to allow the elders to pray specifically for them;
- Asked God to bless the elder selection process, our families and children, and our efforts to be evangelistic;
- · Were updated on
- A specific family issue;
- Heard reports that
  - The roofing project had begun and would take approximately three weeks to complete;
  - Based on input from the leadership retreat in June, the elders were planning changes in the agenda for elders meetings;
    - \* Heard background information from Rick Harper and Jim Gowen as the first in a series of Getting to Know Each Other presentations by various elders;
  - Jordan Guy, Grant Fitzhugh, and Larry Long had met with leaders from South College Church in Tahlequah, OK to inform them about the Discipling 3,000 plan;
  - The church had received a thank-you note from Kent Jobe for his being invited to speak during the summer series;
  - ♦ **Glen Metheny** was receiving the nominations for new elders;
  - ♦ His House served 1,009 in August;
  - Keith Stanglin will present a seminar on October 4 on Sexual Ethics and preach and teach the auditorium class on Sunday October 5. Adult and teen classes have been invited to attend his Sunday class.
  - ♦ The new Launching Adults class had 30-40 attendees;
  - ♦ The elders were invited to meet with a candidate for the Avanti Italia directorship;
  - The facilities committee will report to the elders on their recommendations on October 8:
  - ♦ There will be a meeting of the elders called on September 28, 2:30 p.m. regarding the elder selection process;
- Commended Sherrill Bennett for his service as chair:
- · Received copies of John Reese's book on Unity in Christ;
- Met in a special session to discuss an issue brought to them by some members;
- Approved
  - An additional \$20,000 expenditure to address an issue discovered during the roof repair project.

#### **NEW SONG**

Check out this new song we will sing THIS Sunday. Click here to listen.

#### **WEDDING SHOWER**

You are invited to a wedding shower honoring Rochelle Reese, bride-elect of Theo Westbrook, on Sunday, October 5, 1:00-2:30 p.m., at the Campus Rock House, 802 E Market. Theo is the son of Tim & Anessa Westbrook, nephew of Kevin & Tianna Tripp and grandson of Ann Hobby. Rochelle is the daughter of Marcus & Diane Reese and the granddaughter of John & Beth Reese. Click here to view their registry.

#### AREA BABY SHOWER

You are invited to a baby shower honoring Northside Church of Christ members Karleigh & Harley Halliburton on Saturday, October 18, 10:00 a.m., at the Beebe Northside Church of Christ. Karleigh is the daughter of **Richard & Cyndi Denney** and the granddaughter of **Billie Boustead**. They are registered on Amazon. It's a boy!

#### **CHANGE FOR CHILDREN**

It's time to turn in your change cans that support Children's Home, Inc. If you have any cans at home, please return them by Friday, October 3. This church family always responds so generously, and the Children's Home, Inc. will be greatly blessed by your donations.

# **SPARROW'S PROMISE**

Join Sparrow's Promise for the 25th Annual Max Clark Memorial Golf Tournament on Friday, October 17. Whether you're a golfer or just want to show your support, you're welcome to take part. For registration or sponsorship info, contact Beth Light at director@sparrowspromise.org.

#### **WORLD ENGLISH INSTITUTE**

World English Institute teachers and all who are interested in teaching the lost about God using our online lessons are invited to a noon meeting Monday, September 29, in American Heritage Room 209 at 11:45 a.m. Bring your own lunch or go through the cafeteria line. Drinks are provided. worldenglishinstitute.net Call Lola Crouch, 501-380-5388, for more details.

# DR. KEITH STANGLIN OCTOBER 4 & 5

Join us at College Church Your Body: Christian Sexual Ethics," on Saturday, October 4, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the Family Room. Coffee and refreshments from Wild Sweet William's start at 8 a.m. Open individuals and churches to better understand the biblical view of sexuality and respond Click here to RSVP.

On Sunday, October 5, Dr. Stanglin will speak at the 9:00 10:30 a.m. Bible class in the auditorium. All teen and adult classes are invited to attend.

# HIS HOUSE

#### **Donation Requests:**

Canned vegetables Mac-n-cheese Plastic bags Table lamps

# SERVICE TIMES

#### **Sunday Morning**

8:15 AM | Chinese Church in Heritage Room 210

9:00 AM Worship

10:30 AM Bible Class

#### **Sunday Evening**

5:00 PM Worship

#### **Tuesday**

9:30 AM Ladies Class

#### Midweek

4:00 PM Early-Bird Bible Class in Room 100

5:00 PM Women's Intergeneration Study | 8 Franklin Circle

6:30 PM Women's Bible Class Room 234

6:30 PM "What Happened to the Church?" Paul Pollard | Room 236

6:30 PM Textual Bible Class in The Family Room

6:30 PM 23:6ers | Room 102

6:30 PM Singing & Prayer | Room 100

6:30 PM SH and JH Meeting

6:30 PM Study of David | Harry Riggs | Harding Place

7:15 PM Chinese Church in Heritage | Room 210

#### **Thursday**

5:00 PM Discipleship Bible Study in Room 100

# FINANCES FOR 9/21/25

Budget for 9/21/2025 - \$52,194.00

Giving for 9/21/2025 - \$45,755.15

Budget - Week 3 - \$162,382.50

Giving - Week 3 - \$150,275.44

# ATTENDANCE 9/21/25

9:00 Worship - 1051

Bible Class - 863

Children's Worship - 56

5:00 Worship - 190

Sunday Small Groups - 144

# WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

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