

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

## 9:00 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Song Leader**  
Tom Ritchie

Praise Him! Praise Him!  
The Joy of the Lord

Jesus, Name Above All  
Names

Listen To Our Hearts

**Marriage Faith Story &  
Prayer**  
Harry Riggs

Lamb of God

**Communion & Contribution**  
Zane Dulin

Bind Us Together

Jesus, Rose of Sharon  
*Children's Worship Dismissed*

The Lily of the Valley

**"Solomon's Marriage  
Seminar"**  
Jordan Guy

We Praise Thee, O God

**Announcements**  
Nathan Green

**GCS Featured Ministry  
Video**

**Shepherd's Prayer**  
Norm Stone

# THE CONNECTION.

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

## WOMEN'S DAY ONE SMALL STEP-MANY RICH BLESSINGS

When **John** and I started attending College Church in 2011, I knew I wanted to connect with other women, but I didn't know what to do or who to contact. I wasn't even sure what talents I had that the Lord would want to use.

When we placed membership, I marked "Women's Day" on the involvement sheet. I wasn't exactly sure what that included, but it didn't sound like a huge time commitment, so I decided it might be something I could do.

Eventually I was asked to help with the next Women's Day event. The experience of women coming together to support and uplift one another was inspirational. The next year they asked me to be one of the coordinators. Since then, God has opened many doors in Women's Ministry for me. When Anessa Westbrook, whom I assisted, stepped down as ministry leader, I was excited to replace her. But it all started with one small step.

As ministry leader, I want to help other women experience those "open doors." The Women's Ministry equips us to grow in our faith, serve others, and make connections with women in our church family. It provides opportunities for service, mentoring, and fellowship.

At the heart of the ministry is intergenerational discipleship—the importance of older women teaching and training younger women (Titus 2:3-5). God has placed several faithful women in my life who have mentored and encouraged me along the way. To mention a few, **Anessa** helped me grow as a leader; **Debbie Duke** has been a mentor in raising children, and my mother-in-law, **Susan Stone**, has always modeled what a godly wife and mother look like.

I am eternally grateful for the relationships I've made through Women's Ministry.

That brings me back to Women's Day. As you'll see elsewhere in the bulletin, our annual event is next weekend, Saturday, September 20th. Whether you are a woman new to this congregation or a longtime member—whether you're a new Christian or mature in the faith—this day can introduce you to the Women's Ministry and the blessings it offers. If you are hesitant to be involved, I hope you will consider joining us next Saturday.

There is a place for you, right here, right now. And it's only one small step away.

**Tia Stone**

[Click here](#) for more on the Women's Ministry.



From left to right: **Susan Stone, Anna Stone, Tia Stone, and Abi Stone**

## NEW MEMBER

Please join us in giving a warm welcome to **Rochelle Reese**, the newest member of our church family! Rochelle is the fiancée of our Networking & Multi-Media Minister, **Theo Westbrook**, and the granddaughter of **John and Beth Reese**. She will be in **Darren Mathews** Shepherding Group.

## DO YOU LIKE TO SING?

Join the Faithful Families class in Room 233-234 THIS Sunday. **Brandon Lowe** will be hosting a singing/praise class during the 10:30 a.m. class time. All are welcome to join!

## DIGITAL TRANSITION

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 [these helpful resources](#) or contact the church office.

The Church Life app is no longer accessible, and Abundant Giving ended on September 7. Please download the new app, set up your digital account, and transfer your giving. For help, [click here](#) 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.

iPhone users: Go to the App Store.

Android users: Go to the Google Play Store.

Search for Instant Church Directory and install the app. Once 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.

## PRAYERS & SYMPATHY

**Bob Allen**; **Cleve Brooks**, The Springs; **George Brown**; **Alison Johnson**, Unity Health; **Edna Nichols**, rehab at St. Vincents at Sherwood North; **Shannon Spears**; **Wanda Spears**; **Linda Wilson** (Woody); **Danny R. Wood**; **Dennis Yecke**; Judy Randolph, daughter of **Jim Randolph**.

**Faye Moore**, wife of **Charles Moore**, passed away September 9. There will be a time to greet the family THIS Sunday, September 14, 1:30 p.m., in the Family Room followed by a memorial at 2:00 p.m., in the Auditorium.

A Celebration of life for Annette Caceres, daughter of **George Brown**, will be held at College Church on Thursday, September 18, at 10:00 a.m.

## COUPLE-TO-COUPLE MARRIAGE MENTORING

As an outgrowth of this weekend's marriage seminar, the Education Ministry will be offering a mentoring program to equip couples seeking marriage enrichment on a regular basis.

If you're interested in meeting once a month for a free meal and meaningful conversation with another couple at College Church, [fill out this interest form](#). The sessions will typically be on Wednesday nights before Bible class, but your group can choose a different arrangement.

Once groups are set, we'll provide all the resources you need for 12 months of discussions focused on strengthening marriage and families.

## WINTER COAT DRIVE

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

## ELDER SELECTION

The process for selecting additional leaders to serve the College Church of Christ is underway. We are grateful for the Spirit-filled men who have long shepherded our church with love and care.

Members are invited to prayerfully consider and recommend men who meet the biblical qualifications (1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9). Please submit your signed letter of recommendation for elder selection to an elder or the church office, or fill out the online form [using this link](#). See the timeline below for key dates.

For an additional resource on selecting elders click [the following link](#):

Timeline:

September 14 - Recommendations Due

October 5 - Names Presented

October 12 - Objections Due

October 26 - Installation

## FAMILY CONCERNS

Briarwood: **Ellen Brown** 104

Providence: **Harold Norwood** 316 Providence Memory Care: **Beverly Blickenstaff**; **David Lawyer**; 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, return of cancer, grandson of **Darren & Kim Mathews**; Jason Roberson, son of **Gary & Shauna Vodehnal**

## SHEPHERDING GROUPS

The Mathews/Bangs Shepherding Groups will have a combined potluck THIS Sunday, September 14, following Bible class, location has changed to Room 100.

## MISSIONS MEETING

There will be a Foreign Missions meeting on Sunday, September 21, 3:00 p.m., in Room 233.

## CORE DISCUSSION GROUP

Join the CORE Discussion Group on the CCOC App! We're excited to invite you into a space on the College Church of Christ app where we can share our journey with the CORE curriculum and its application in our lives. This group will be a place to reflect, encourage, and grow as we walk through CORE together as a church family.

**Request to join directly here.** Let's walk this journey of discipleship together!

## STUDENT MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

My name is **Chad Strickland**, and I'm a senior Kinesiology and Health major from West Monroe, Louisiana. I pole vault for the Harding Track and Field team and enjoy golf, disc golf, fishing, traveling, camping, and following LSU football.

After graduation, I hope to settle near Searcy as a high school teacher (health and physical education) and coach (track and field, football). This year, I'm excited to begin student teaching at Bald Knob High School and to jump into track season this spring. One of my favorite College-Ministry memories is Wednesday night Bible study at the Watsons' house. It's been a huge part of my time here. Recently, God has reminded me how fully He's in control. Things I once stressed about, He's turned into blessings, and I've learned His plans are always better than mine. I'm especially grateful for the church family He's surrounded me with during college.



## HARDING UNIVERSITY LECTURESHIP

The College of Bible and Ministry at Harding University invites you to the 102<sup>nd</sup> Inspire Lectureship, September 28-October 1. Presenters from all over the world bring their expertise in all things ministry—missions, preaching, youth ministry, children's ministry, shepherding and much more. If you are an elder, a deacon, or simply a member of a local church invested in the life of your congregation, then there is something here for you. Several presenters are College Church members: **Dr. Dale Manor, Dr. Andrew Baker, Dr. Jordan Guy, and Analeigh Thomas.** Registration is \$25 at <https://www.harding.edu/events/lectureship/>. The evening keynote events are free of charge and do not require registration. We encourage College Church members to take advantage of this wonderful resource, which will provide practical tips and encouragement for serving our church family here.

## CANCELED CLASSES AND SERVICES

The following are canceled so that members can attend Harding Lectureship:

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

## WOMEN'S DAY

Registration for Women's Day is open! We hope women of all ages will join us on Saturday, September 20, in the Family Room. This year's theme is "In His Image." What is your reflection? What do others see when they see us? We are so excited to hear from **Margie Davis, Tiffany Gormany, Zoe Williamson, and Cheri Yecke.**

Lunch is provided, so please RSVP so we know how much food to prepare. Registration is free and can be done **online** or at the Welcome Center. Lunch will begin at 12:00, and the program will start at 1:00. Childcare will be provided. We will also have snacks, giveaways, and door prizes. Feel free to invite friends and neighbors!

## LADS TO LEADERS

There will be a Lads-to-Leaders informational meeting THIS Sunday, September 14, 3:45 p.m., in Room 100. All past and potential participants are strongly encouraged to attend and learn more about this great family program!

## 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.** The registry may be accessed via the couple's registry website: <https://theodorerochellewe.wixsite.com/theodore-and-rochell/registry>

## SPARROW'S PROMISE

Interested in Foster Care? Stop by our Come-&-Go Foster-Parent-Interest Event on Thursday, Sept. 18, 5:30-7:30 p.m., at Sparrow's Promise, 208 E. Moore Ave. Ask questions, get info, and connect—no RSVP needed!

## 5:00 PM WORSHIP

**Song Leader**  
Daniel Bennett

**Welcome**  
Dan Newsom

Faith is the Victory  
I Love to Tell the Story  
On Zion's Glorious Summit

**Prayer**  
Richard Duke

Amazing Grace

"The Adventure of Discipleship"  
Noel Whitlock

When We All Get to Heaven

Ring Out the Message  
*Lord's Supper in Room 100*

**Closing Prayer**  
Noah Hix

## 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 9/7/25

Budget for 9/7//2025 - \$57,994.50

Giving for 9/7/2025 - \$60,929.59

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## ATTENDANCE 9/7/25

9:00 Worship - 1080

Bible Class - 939

Children's Worship - 54

5:00 Worship - 225

Sunday Small Groups - 156

## WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

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## HIS HOUSE

### Donation Requests:

Pillows

Diapers

Plastic bags

Table lamps



**COLLEGE**  
CHURCH of CHRIST

If you have a request for the bulletin, please submit all information by noon, Thursday prior to service.