

Then those who were in the boat worshipped Jesus and said, "Truly you are the Son of God!"

Matthew 14:33

# Welcome to Athens Christian Church

If this is your first visit, we're so glad you're here. To help us stay connected, please fill out a visitor card located at the back of the chair in front of you and drop it in the offering box. If you'd like to receive our monthly church newsletter by email, be sure to include your email address on the card.

We're thrilled you've joined us for worship today! During the service, the Lord's Supper is available to all believers. Please feel free to make yourself at home. On your way out, don't forget to stop by the foyer to pick up a complimentary Bible. We look forward to seeing you again next week!

At ACC, we strive to be a loving family of Christ-followers, bringing light into a dark world. Please call on us when we can help:

GriefShare Ministry:

Carla Knox/

217-415-5032

217-899-7598

Contact Person,

Donna Douglas:

217-522-1134 or

217-971-6732

Mary Ellen Buch/

Stephen Ministers:

or contact the church

Download the

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### Elders:

WEEK

Jeremy McDaniel/217-971-9416 Curt Reichling/217-636-9252 Doug Wendler/217-652-2133 Jack Brown/217-741-0381

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Evan Noggle,

Youth Minister/217-415-5644 Morgan Wells, After School

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Josh Harris, Preaching Intern 217-971-8371

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# 8:00 am Traditional Service

Call to Worship: Psalm 84: 1-4

One Day #22 (v. 1-5)

O That Will be Glory for Me #132 (v. 1-3)

Announcements Video

Ken Gennicks:

Prayer Requests & Praises
Introducing Fall Preaching Intern, Josh Harris

Grace Greater Than Our Sin #105 (v. 1-4)

Minister Appreciation
ACC Elders & Silas McCormick

Sermon: Tyler Basso "Will You Step Out of the Boat? (Matthew 14:22-33)

Invitation Hymn:

Jesus is Calling #434 (v. 1 & 4)

Communion & Offering Hymn: *Abide With Me* #500 (v. 1 & 2)

Communion & Offering Meditation: Josh Harris Quietly move to Communion & Offering tables before exiting.

# 9:15 & 10:30 am Contemporary Service

# Welcome

Glorious Day • I've Witnessed It • Who Else

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Invitation Hymn: O Come to the Altar

Jesus Paid It All

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# **AM Sermon Notes**

Guest Speaker, Tyler Basso "Will You Step Out of the Boat?

(Matthew 14:22-33)





Double ACC Weekly email subscribers (93 → 186)

Double app downloads (495 → 1,000)

Double online giving participation (73 → 146)

Our hope is that this challenge won't just help us develop new habits—but that it will draw us closer together, strengthen our routines, and remind us that church is more than a building.

It's a family, and staying connected helps us grow together.

# (Curtis/Jen's son), Leslie Dinora (Larry Barregarye's daughter), Albert McCarthy (Cassie Sokolis' grandpa), Marlene Stepp, Madison Austin At home: Terry Wunderle, Nancy Nale's mom, Morgan Setzer, Annetta Books, Deb Claypool's friend, Tom/Ruth Novy, Wanda Stott, Jill Cleer (Arcadia), Kathy Becker, Kevin/Carrie Lee/Colton Ingham, Cyndee Blakeman, Janice Bollman, Roberta Clark Touched by death: Velma Fraase family (Patti Tobias'

aunt), Jane Ransom family (DeeDee Gellerman's

Tests: Gail Frank (Gary's mom), Larry Fitschen, Dave

(surgery/14th), Marilyn Castles, Dwayne Rudolph (scan),

Pat Halberstadt (ablation/Nov. 4), Neveah Battle, Laurie

Jan Canterbury, Rhonda Leinberger, Sarah Gennicks,

Ingram's brother/sister, Barb Wagner, Jody Robertson

(Mark/Kathy Becker's neighbor), Hudson Davis

Magee/Al Keller (radiation), Andrew Combs

**Prayer Requests** 

mother)

Transitions: Dick/Elaine Bachman (Villa/Oct. 1), Bev Nolting's cousin, Bonnie Russell (St. Clara's), Sara Murry/Steve Gutierrez/Charles "Butch" Mester/Rosalie Ingram/Al Betz/Joann Kirchgesner (Villa), Bill Pullin (hospice), Mary Prior/Erna Weatherby/Bob Moore (Countryside), Carolyn Cole (Concordia/hospice), Gene/Kathy Apel/Marge Ray/Vivian Rankin (Vonderlieth), Kenny Bounds (Taylorville), Chuck VanHuss (Jacksonville), Cory Craig, Jr. (Ozark Christian College), Israel

Fall Preaching Intern: Josh Harris (through Dec. 24)
ICOM Mission Conference: Nov. 20-22/Atlanta
20 to Young Adult 'Passion Conf': Dec. 31/TX
Christ In Youth Conf.: July 6-10, 2026/number by Oct. 7?
Blake Canterbury: facebook.com/monroechurchplant
Kyle Gennicks: wearegospelcity.churchcenter.com
Capital Stewardship Campaign: Let Your Light Shine
(2023-2025)

Capital Stewardship Campaign: EXCEL (2026-2028) Our missionaries/military/terrorism/nation Each other/unspoken needs

Before you leave today, please be sure to stop by the lobby and sign the greeting cards for friends and family of ACC.



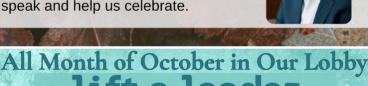
Every October we make a special effort to thank God for the ministers and their families whom He has provided to serve with us at Athens Christian Church. Plan to celebrate with us all month, and ask God how you could demonstrate your gratitude to our ministers and families throughout October! If you need ideas, ask one of our ministers how you might volunteer or help them in their ministry! It's always helpful to know their favorite things and what they enjoy. Minister Appreciation brochures with favorites of each minister are in the lobby if you're looking for ideas to show your appreciation. Also available are envelopes to contribute to a love offering for our ministers. Both are available all month!

Today is Minister Appreciation Sunday. We will celebrate our ministers and hear from special quest

speakers, Tyler Basso and Silas McCormick! Tyler is a Timothy and former youth minister from ACC. He now serves as Director of Student Ministries at Okolona Christian Church.



Silas McCormick, Executive Director of Lincoln Christian Institute, will also speak and help us celebrate.





- Choose a minister & a month
- Do one act of kindness that blesses them during your
- · Ideas: Write a thank-you card, bring a meal or gift card, help with a home or yard project, or simply ask, "Is there something I could do this month to serve you?"

# **CHRIST IN YOUTH 2026**

Tickets become available this Tuesday, October 7!

# WE NEED TO BE READY!

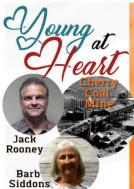
Tickets sell out within a couple of hours, so we nee<mark>d to b</mark>e ready with our numbers! We want to take as many high schoolers as we can. Register now and pay \$100 non-refundable deposit to secure your spot.

Register and pay at athenschristian.net/ciy or scan

ME ONLY 22 SPOTS July 6-10, 2026 **REMAIN!!!** Lincoln, NE







# **History of Cherry Coal** Mine Disaster

Tuesday, October 14

9:30: Free Blood Pressure checks 10:00: Presentation on the History of Cherry Coal Mine Disaster by **Jack Rooney** 

1:00 lunch: Sleight corn dogs, chili, and fruit

**Devotion by Barb Siddons** 



Donations of candy and Christian toys/trinkets are

appreciated! You can drop off your donations in the lobby

Saturday, 10/18, 8:30-10:30 Monday, 10/20, 5:30-7:00



**ATHENS AREA FOOD PANTRY** 

1098 Zepher Dr (off of Rt. 29) Athens, IL

\*New guidelines for Maximum Monthly Gross Income based on household size:

1 \$3,913 6 \$10,788 2 \$5,288 7 \$12,163

3 \$6,663 8 \$13,538 4 \$8,038 9 \$14,913

Friday,

October 24

5 \$9,413

The Athens Area Food Pantry is a non-profit organization which provides food assistance to income eligible households primarily living in the Athens community and school district.

A monthly distribution takes place the 3rd Saturday of each month, 8:30-10:30 am, and the following Monday, 5:30-7:00 pm. ACC supports the Food Pantry by participating each November in the Drive Away Hunger food drive. All food collected is donated to the Athens Area Food Pantry.

STAY PROTECTED

THIS FLU SEASON

Influenza and COVID-19

vaccines will be made available

at Athens Christian Church

**Room 202** 

**5TH QUARTER** 

AT ACC AFTER THE HOME GAME ON

7th –12th grade ( 9:30–11:30 PM

Join us for Food, Fun, and Fellowship!

JR/SR HIGH TRIP TO LSCA FOR ...

FALL NIGHT OUT

Sun., Oct. 19, 7:00 am-noon

Wed., Oct. 22, 5:00-7:00 pm

**TODAY, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5 - MINISTER APPRECIATION** Guest Speakers All Services: Tyler Basso & Silas McCormick 7:30 am Prayer with the Pastors (WC) 8:00 am Traditional Worship Svc. (nursery birth-2 yrs/3-5 yrs.) 9:15 am Contemporary Worship Service

> •Adult Classes: » The Ambassadors, led by Dan Haynes (Rm. 223) » Christian Living, led by Harry Schirding & Doug Wendler

» Kingdom Seekers, led by Terry Henrikson & Nancy Winterbauer (Rm. 105)

» Deep Divers, led by Anthony Bolton (Rm. 106)

•Jr./Sr. High School (Rm. 113/114)

9:15 am Sunday School for all Ages:

•Kids C.L.U.B. for 4 yrs.-kind., 1st-3rd grade, 4th-6th grade

Today & This Week

•Childcare for birth-3 years

10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

•Kids C.L.U.B. for K-6th grade/Childcare for birth-4yrs.

2:00 pm Life Chain Sunday (Springfield)

## **MONDAY, OCTOBER 6**

1 TIMOTHY 6

7:15 am Monday Morning High School Study (Youth Rm.) 9:00 am Chair Aerobics (FLC)

# **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7**

2 TIMOTHY 1

8:00 am Men's Bible Study (Rm. 223)

## **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8**

2 TIMOTHY 2

9:00 am Chair Aerobics (FLC)

5:00 pm Help set up for Wednesday Night Connection

5:40-6:15 pm Dinner (Breakfast Casserole, Hash Browns, Fruit) 6:30-7:30 pm Classes for all Ages (Jr./Sr. High Youth Group/

GriefShare til 8:00)

7:45 pm Praise Team Practice

# **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9**

2 TIMOTHY 3

10:00 am Prophecy Watch Study (rm. 106)

# FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

2 TIMOTHY 4

Church Office Closed

9:00 am Chair Aerobics (FLC)

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11**

7:30 am Washington Street Mission Service Day (Springfield)

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12**

7:30 am Prayer with the Pastors (WC)

8:00 am Traditional Worship Svc. (nursery birth-2 yrs/3-5 yrs.)

9:15 am Contemporary Worship Service

9:15 am Sunday School for all Ages:

•Adult Classes (Rms. 105, 106, 203, 223)

•Jr./Sr. High School (Rm. 113/114)

•Kids C.L.U.B. for 4 yrs.-kind., 1st-3rd grade, 4th-6th grade

Childcare for birth-3 years

10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

•Kids C.L.U.B. for K-6th grade/Childcare for birth-4yrs.

4:00 pm Elders' Meeting (Rm. 105)

5:30 pm Prayer Gathering led by Carla Knox (Worship Center)

SAT., NOV. 1, LEAVE CHURCH 5:45-RETURN 8:45PM SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN-UP TODAY! LSCA IS HOSTING THEIR FALL NIGHT OUT! WE ARE TAKING A GROUP OF JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOLERS TO ENJOY THIS FREE EVENT, WHICH INCLUDES A WEENIE ROAST, HAY RACK RIDES, CARAMEL APPLES, AND MORE!

SIGN UP TO GO & SAVE YOUR SEAT ON THE BUS!