

Athens Christian Church
8:00, 9:15 & 10:30 am
Worship Services

August 24, 2025

“Each one should use
whatever gift he has received
to serve others, faithfully
administering God's grace in
its various forms.”

1 Peter 4:10



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:

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Jeremy McDaniel/217-971-9416
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8:00 am Traditional Service

Call to Worship: Psalm 69:30-34

Standing On the Promises #69 (v. 1-3)

Open My Eyes That I May See #486 (v. 1-3)

Announcements Video

Prayer Requests & Praises: Ken Gennicks

More About Jesus Would I Know #477 (v. 1-3)

Acts of Worship: Pat Halberstadt

Sermon: Shane Baker

“People of the Bible - Aaron & Hur:
The Right Place At the Right Time”
(Exodus 17:8-16)

Invitation Hymn:

Precious Lord, Take My Hand #611 (v. 1 & 2)

Communion & Offering Hymn:
Near the Cross #254 (v. 1 & 4)

Communion & Offering Meditation: Shane Baker
Quietly move to Communion & Offering
tables before exiting.

9:15 & 10:30 am Contemporary Service

Welcome

Praise • Glorious Day • Let It Be Real

Announcements Video

Prayer Requests & Praises: Ken Gennicks

Acts of Worship: Olivia Baker

Sermon: Shane Baker

“People of the Bible - Aaron & Hur:
The Right Place At the Right Time”
(Exodus 17:8-16)

Invitation Hymn: *Living Hope*

Make Room/Sanctuary

Communion & Offering Meditation: Shane Baker
Quietly move to Communion & Offering
tables before exiting.

AM Sermon Notes

“People of the Bible - Aaron & Hur:
The Right Place At the Right Time”
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INTRODUCTION

Our Bible studies throughout 2025 focus on “People of the Bible,” biographical sketches and timeless lessons from their lives. Every Sunday we study and apply God's Word. This week our Bible study comes from the book of Exodus, chapter 17, verses 8-16, as we recognize 2 men who were in the “right place, at the right time.”

Bible Study

I. _____

II. _____

III. _____ & _____

Application

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

CONCLUSION

Oh, but to know everything that is going to happen. How wonderful that would be, we might think. But I assure you, it wouldn't be the blessing you might think. Even the strongest of us couldn't handle it. And praise be to God we don't have to!

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

Prayer Requests

At Memorial: Bob Lott, Dale Beadle (Deanna Clark's cousin/throat cancer), Adam Kershaw (Williamsville coach/ after cancer surgery/Ryan Knox's friend), Albert McCarthy (Marilyn's husband/Cassie Sokolis' grandpa/cancer surgery)

At St. John's: Mary Jo Lobemaster (Rhonda Briest's friend), Charlie Jones (Harry Schirding's friend)

At St. Louis: Regan Morris (Lorna Baker's friend), Yvonne Dobey (Sue Bishop's sister/surgery Tuesday)

At Tennessee hospital: Debbie Harmening (Barbi Gimondo's sis-in-law/ICU)

Tests: Larry Fitschen, Donna Combs, Dave Magee (radiation), Earl/Sue Furlong, Billy Howard, Matt Richter, Al Keller (radiation), Ken Barba, Mike Hall (Erika McCoy's friend), Linda Caldwell, Linda Laws' brother, Doug Wendler's bro-in-law, Debbie Richardson, Andrew Combs, Curt Reichling's mom, Kathy Peacock, Marilyn Castles, Jeff VanNattan, Steve Buche (Stefanie Fricke's friend/cancer), Aidan Good, Vickie Freeland's son, Bruce Kennett, Dwayne Rudolph, Virginia Heinzl, Judy Witmer, Mike Sleight, Chris Finley, Donna Sandidge, Madison Austin (lung biopsy), Julie (Don) Klor, Steve Gutierrez (Villa), Brenda Troesch (Valerie Woodrum's mom)

At home: Terry Wunderle, Nancy Nale's mom, Morgan Setzer, Pat Basso's niece, Annetta Books, Deb Claypool's friend, Tom/Ruth Novy, Charlie Nance, Wanda Stott, Laurie Ingram's sister/brother, Andy Briggs (Brian/Kim's son), Jill Cleer (Arcadia), Mary Kluckman (Don Squires' friend), Lori Richardson, Betty Ethell, Kathy Becker, John VanMeter, Roberta Clark, Penny Schuecking, Kevin/Carrie Lee/Colton Ingham, Dick/Elaine Bachman, Cyndee Blakeman (after knee surgery), Suren Gummadi's dad (health/India), Bob/Mary Jane Painter (RJ Wehmhoff's grandparents)

Touched by death: Joyce Betz family (Al's wife)

Transitions: Cory Craig, Jr. (Ozark Christian College), Gary Woods (Doug Nolting's cousin/hospice), Blake Ross (Bev Nolting's cousin/dementia), Bonnie Russell (St. Clara's/ Lincoln), Wayne Rottinghaus/Charles “Butch” Mester/Rosalie Ingram/Al Betz (Villa), Bill Pullin (hospice), Mary Prior/Erna Weatherby (Countryside), Wil Reiter, Carolyn Cole (Concordia/hospice), Gene/Kathy Apel/Marge Ray/Vivian Rankin (Vonderlieth), Debbie Spangler (Carlinville), Chuck VanHuss (Jacksonville), Kenny Bounds (Taylorville), Israel

ICOM Mission Conference: Nov. 20-22/Atlanta

20 to Young Adult ‘Passion Conf’: Dec. 31/TX


2026 Christ In Youth Trip: number to plan for?

Blake Canterbury: facebook.com/monroechurchplant

Kyle Gennicks: wearegospelcity.churchcenter.com

Capital Stewardship Campaign: Let Your Light Shine (2023-2025)
Our missionaries/military/terrorism/nation
Each other/unspeaken needs

Next Sunday is
YOUTH Sunday!
AUGUST 31-ALL THREE SERVICES



Kenneth Baker Nathan Flesson Avery Jockisch Brayden Seman


Worship
at the
Railyard

Wednesday, August 27
6:00 PM
Worship led by
Athens Christian
Church
Praise Team


2242 S. 6th ST, Springfield



Kids Wing Volunteer Appreciation
Lunch & Training
Sunday, August 31, 11:30-1:00



- Lunch provided
- Training for Kids Wing
- Childcare Provided
- Sign up in lobby or online (indicate # of kids for childcare)



5TH QUARTER
AT ACC AFTER THESE HOME GAMES
September 5, September 26, October 24
7th -12th grade 9:30-11:30 PM
Join us for Food, Fun, and Fellowship!



MONDAY MORNING HIGH SCHOOL GROUP
RESUMES SEPT. 8-DEC. 15
(WHEN ATHENS SCHOOL IS IN SESSION)
7:15 - 7:30 AM BREAKFAST
7:30-8:00 AM PRAYER & STUDY
AT ATHENS CHRISTIAN CHURCH



Young at Heart

Dominican Republic
Tuesday, September 9
9:30: Free Blood Pressure checks
10:00: Dominican Republic Mission Team Highlights
11:00 lunch: pulled pork, baked beans, coleslaw, chips, desserts
Devotion by Terry Henrikson



2025 FALL SEASON
SEPTEMBER 3 - NOVEMBER 12
wednesday night CONNECTION
Supper: 5:40-6:15pm / Study: 6:30-7:30pm





MEN'S STUDY

LED BY JOHN SCHOENHERR & MATT HARRIS

HOUSE OF DAVID BY GREG LAURIE


DIVE INTO THE LIFE OF KING DAVID AND STRENGTHEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD



WOMEN'S STUDY
FIND YOUR PEOPLE BY JENNIE ALLEN

LED BY SHEILY ROAT & CARRIE CANTRALL

IN A WORLD THAT'S BOTH MORE CONNECTED AND MORE ISOLATING THAN EVER BEFORE, WE'RE OFTEN TEMPTED TO DO LIFE ALONE. STUDY HOW TO WORK PAST THE BUSYNESS OF LIFE & HOW RELATIONSHIPS FEEL RISKY AND HARD TO FIND TRUE DEEP CONNECTION WITH OTHERS IN CHRIST.



GRIEF SHARE
You don't have to grieve alone.

LED BY CARLA KNOX & MARY ELLEN BUCH

\$20 for workbook Register at <https://www.griefshare.org/groups>

A SEMINAR AND SUPPORT GROUP TO HELP YOU REBUILD YOUR LIFE AFTER LOSING A LOVED ONE. OUR GROUP IS LED BY CARING PEOPLE WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED GRIEF AND WANT TO HELP YOU THROUGH DIFFICULT DAYS.



GENERAL BIBLE STUDY
EPHESIANS

LED BY ERIC & JANELLE LINK, ANTHONY BOLTON

STUDY THE BOOK OF EPHESIANS, FOCUSING ON THE BELIEVER'S IDENTITY AND WALK IN CHRIST, EMPHASIZING UNITY WITHIN THE CHURCH AND A TRANSFORMED LIFE LIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GOSPEL



MARRIAGE
BETTER TOGETHER MARRIAGE COURSE

LED BY SHANE & LORNA BAKER, KEITH & RACHEL GENNICKS

THE COURSE AIMS TO BUILD A LASTING MARRIAGE, COVERING TRUST, HONOR, FAITH, INTIMACY, HOME, FINANCES, AND SPIRITUAL WARFARE.




YOUNG ADULTS AGES 18-28

Facing Anxiety: by Jonathan Pokluda: WITH REAL-LIFE STORIES FROM PEOPLE FACING VARIOUS KINDS OF ANXIETY, THIS SERIES HELPS US SEE THAT PEACE CAN BE FOUND ON THIS SIDE OF ETERNITY.

Jesus in Our Generation: by Ben Stuart: DISCUSS THE MAJOR AREAS IN OUR LIVES THAT ARE DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY MODERN CULTURE. DISCOVER GOD'S TIMELESS WISDOM FOR THIS GENERATION AND TRUTHS THAT WILL ANCHOR US IN CHRIST.

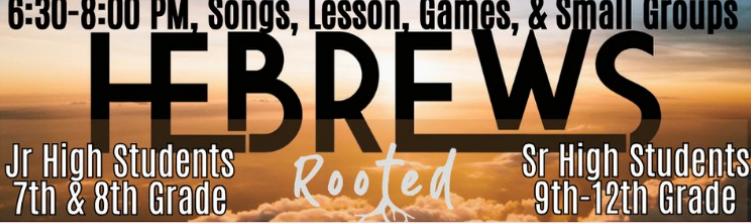
LED BY MORGAN WELLS & KENNEDY HALE



6:30-8:00 PM, Songs, Lesson, Games, & Small Groups

HEBREWS

Jr High Students 7th & 8th Grade Rooted Sr High Students 9th-12th Grade



ACC Kids C.L.U.B.

Birth-3 Years / 4 Years-Kindergarten / 1-3 Grades / 4-6 Grades

Old Testament Heroes Pre K - Kindergarten & 1st - 3rd Grade

Misunderstood 4th - 6th Grade

Our students are in for an EPIC journey through the Old Testament as they meet some of the greatest Heroes of the Bible!

Even Jesus was misunderstood! Come discover how Jesus' final days teach us about love, humility, and true victory, even when things seem confusing.

- Applying Today's Sermon to Your Life
1. Our 2025 Bible studies focus on "The People of the Bible" and what they teach us about living daily for the Lord Jesus Christ. Studying the lives of the early followers of God challenges us to examine our lives and commitment to faithfully follow God, even when life gets messy and hard. Our Verse-of-the-Week is 1 Peter 4:10: "Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." How are you using your gifts to serve others today?
 2. Why did Moses have Joshua lead the army instead of doing it himself?
 3. What was the significance of Moses going onto the mountain and holding the staff up?
 4. Although barely mentioned, of how much importance were Aaron & Hur in this story? Do you feel that you are significant to God?
 5. How do you see God's hand at work in your life up to this point in your life? What has He prepared you to do that you didn't even know He was preparing you to do?
 6. Where has God placed you at this point in your life, and what do you think He is wanting you to do?
 7. How will you respond to what God has prepared and put you into position to do?
 8. I will apply today's Bible study by:

MAKE A MEAL BAGS

Washington Street MISSION

Food Drive for meal to make for Wash. ST Mission Food Pantry for those transitioning to homes.

ACC WILL COLLECT THESE FOOD ITEMS ON SUNDAYS, 9/7 & 14. PLACE ITEMS IN THE CHURCH LOBBY.

- 15 oz. can chili with beans
- 15 oz. can diced tomatoes
- 1 lb. box elbow macaroni
- can openers



Mission Sunday, September 21

- 8:00am Traditional Service with Gabe Rutledge from Little Galilee Christian Camp Preaching
- 9:15-10:15am (No Worship Service, Sunday School, Kids classes) Missions and breakfast in the Family Life Center. Come enjoy breakfast (pigs in a blanket, hash brown patty, walking S'mores, trail mix, cupcakes) and see the 17 missions ACC supports! You can visit with some of our local missions, and we will end our time praying over these missions!
- 10:30am Contemporary Service with Gabe Rutledge from Little Galilee Christian Camp Preaching

Pray: Serve Love



Today & This Week

TODAY, SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

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:
 - » The Ambassadors, led by Dan Haynes (Rm. 223)
 - » Christian Living, led by Harry Schirding & Doug Wendler (Rm. 203)
 - » 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)
- 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

MONDAY, AUGUST 25 GALATIANS 4

9:00 am Chair Aerobics (FLC)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26 GALATIANS 5

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27 GALATIANS 6

9:00 am Chair Aerobics (FLC)
6:00 pm Worship at the Railyard (2242 S 6th St, Spfld.)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28 EPHESIANS 1

6:00 pm Praise Team Practice (WC)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29 EPHESIANS 2

Church Office Closed
9:00 am Chair Aerobics (FLC)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31 - YOUTH SUNDAY ALL SERVICES

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11:30 am Kids Wing Volunteer Appreciation Lunch/Training (FLC)
4:00 pm Elders' Meeting (Rm. 105)