

Weekly Update FYI

COLLEGE FIRST
CHURCH OF GOD

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November 5, 2025



Dear College First family,

Welcome to November!

This Sunday is our Annual Meeting at 5 PM. All are welcome to hear stories of God's faithfulness in and through College First. I'll be in the sanctuary at 4 PM for informal **Pop-up Praise**, singing songs at the piano before the meeting.

Our **Thanksgiving offering** will go to **Christian Clearing House** serving the most needy in our community with the love of Jesus. Please check your church mailbox for a letter and envelope. Contact the office if you'd like a mailbox.

Speaking of the needy, SNAP benefits are in jeopardy for some. [HancockHelps.org](https://www.hancockhelps.org) is a local resource which includes some of our ministry partners. In addition, our **Benevolence Fund** is available to assist those in emergency need, especially those within our College First family. You can always give to the Fund. You can also request assistance by using our Benevolence Form outside the church office. This is one of the many ways we LOVE, equip, and send.

I want to personally invite you to **Tuesday's Senior Fun Dinner at 5:30 PM** in the church Fellowship Hall (in the basement). We will celebrate Veterans and I'll be introducing what may be the most exciting opportunity in many years to impact lives for generations to come.

Blessings,

Kirk



Joyce Scarbrough 11/1
Hannah Wymer 11/3
Rick Mead 11/4
Sherri Brumbaugh 11/4
Sally Guilford 11/6
Eleanor McCoy 11/8
Sandy Reinhardt 11/8
Katie Thomas 11/9
Shirlee Whitson 11/10
Alice Tesnow 11/10
Stan Scarbrough 11/12
Kathy Brooker-Chappa 11/15

Upcoming Events

11/9: Congregational Meeting, 5 PM
11/10: Crochet Class, 4:30 PM
11/11: Senior Fun Dinner, 5:30 PM
11/16: OCC Child Night, 5:30-8PM
11/16: Newcomer After Party, 9 AM, 10 AM, 11 AM
11/27: Office Closed, Thanksgiving Day
11/28: Office Closed, Thanksgiving Observance

TITHES/OFFERINGS....\$23,611.52
ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS....\$25,364.25
BUDGET.... \$19,738.00

You can now give online via PayPal, in addition to giving on the church website. Please scan the QR Code provided. Any questions, please call the church office.





Dear College First family,
Your safety and security are of the utmost importance to us. As a staff and a leadership team, we have been considering how we can best ensure that our church building remains a safe and welcoming sanctuary for everyone who enters—from our children in Sunday morning classes to our dedicated weekday staff.

With that loving intention in mind, we are updating our building access hours and procedures, **effective Sunday, November 16**. These changes are a proactive step to enhance the security of our staff and all who participate in ministries during the week. Here is an overview of the updated building hours:

- Monday through Friday: The building will be accessible from 8:00 AM until 8:00 PM. The North and South doors will be secured at 2:00 PM. After 2:00 PM, please use the main entrance glass doors at 1100 North Main St.
- Saturday: The church building will be closed (with the exception of scheduled events).
- Sunday: The building will be open from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

We believe these measures will help us all feel more secure as we go about our worship, ministry, and fellowship.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office at office@collegefirst.org or 419-423-7365.

With care and gratitude,
The College First Leadership

Church Library Note

Check out the Christmas books in the Church Library...books for adults and children. We have the brand new Karen Kingsbury book, *THE CHRISTMAS RING*, recently showing in movie theaters.

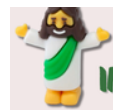


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| • Jan Below | • Ruth Lynch |
| • Linda Bratt | • Phyllis Miller |
| • Christine Cole | • Bob Nietz |
| • Paula Dewey | • Lee Osmun |
| • Briella Fletcher | • Cindy Sims-Perry |
| • Jill Gordon | • Kay Reinehr |
| • Kathy Kennard | • Doug Rosendale |
| • Ledger Han | • JoAnn Wilson |

E-MAIL PRAYER GROUP - Praises and prayer concerns for the church body as a whole are sent out via e-mail by Connections Pastor Kimberly Reese. To submit a prayer request or to be added to the Prayer Chain recipient e-mail list please contact Pastor Kimberly at kreese@collegefirst.org.

Congratulations!

Praise God for the birth of August to Adam and Teagan Radkey on November 4th!



IF YOU FIND JESUS - TAKE HIM WITH YOU.

Congregational Meeting

College First Congregational Meeting is a great way to meet current Council members and how Church Council guides College First with God's love and direction.

This meeting is also a time for voting new Church Council members to serve a 3 year term. The Church Council Commissions are: Next Generations, Connection & Discipleship, Outreach & Missions, Property Management, Stewardship & Finance, and Worship.

The Congregational Meeting is open for all who call College First home, but voting new Church Council members is done by church members who wish to do so.

The Congregational Meeting will take place on Sunday, November 9 at 5 PM in the College First Sanctuary.



NOVEMBER SENIOR FUN DINNER

Tuesday, November 11
5:30 pm / Fellowship Hall

Plan to bring a dish or dessert to share to go along with a turkey dinner. Main course, drink and table service provided. An informative program will follow the meal about the opportunity to support church leadership into the future as well as a Veteran's Day celebration. Sign up today.

NEWCOMER AFTER PARTY

Sunday, Nov. 16
 Immediately following each
 worship service

NEW TO COLLEGE FIRST?
YOU'RE INVITED TO ONE OF THE
NEWCOMER AFTER PARTIES TO LEARN
MORE ABOUT THE CHURCH AND ALLOW US
TO GET TO KNOW YOU! FREE BRUNCH OR
LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED.

To sign up or learn more, contact
 Kimberly Reese at kreese@collegefirst.org.
 Please indicate which service you will be
 attending. Egg casseroles will be served
 after 9:00, pizza will be served after 10:00
 and 11:00.

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who brought in treats, goodies, and cards for the Pastors and Staff during the month of October. We are truly blessed to have a wonderful church family!

Thanksgiving Offering

During this season of giving, the Thanksgiving offering envelope is a way to financially contribute to our community as a way of saying, "thank you for everything you do." This year, proceeds from the Thanksgiving offering will go to Christian Clearing House.

You can also give online using the QR Code below and mark it as "Thanksgiving Offering." From the Pastors, Church Council, and Staff at College First, "THANK YOU," for giving and have a beautiful Thanksgiving filled with God's abundant love.



Christmas Poinsettia

Poinsettia envelopes are now available to order for Christmas, and you can find the envelopes in front of the church office or at the Welcome Table at Winebrenner. Poinsettias are \$19.00 each. Please make checks out to "College First Church of God" and in the memo line write "Poinsettia." You may also pay online by scanning the QR Code below and mark online as "Flowers."

Dedications for poinsettias will be listed on Sunday, December 21. Please return envelopes by Friday, December 5. Any questions, please call the office.





Merry Christmas

Operation Christmas Child Night

November 16th
5:30pm-8pm

Grades 5-12 Invited

Give the greatest gift & change the life of a child



JOIN US FOR ENCOUNTER!

EVERY WEDNESDAY 6PM-7:30
PRESCHOOL THROUGH 5TH GRADE

thank you!

College First Family, we want to thank you all for your prayers, encouragement, and involvement with this 2025 Upward flag football & cheer season. It was such a blessing greeting 250 kids and their families throughout the last couple of months in the name of Jesus.

We would also like to thank Pastor David, Steve & Beth Hill, Sally Elsea, Cathy Wortman, Nicki Inman, and Steve Hiegel for your on-going participation throughout the season, Amy Baird for faithfully taking some wonderful pictures throughout the season, and the UF football for their help in reffing a few games!!



Bible Quizzing New Season

Join the team for a fun deep dive into scripture!

Info:

- Sundays, 4-5:30pm
- Grades 5-12

Topic:

1 & 2 Corinthians

International Student Ministry Donations Needed

Our international students are in need of space heaters, mattresses, men's winter coats, desks, and bicycles. If you have any of these items to donate, please contact Pastor Nancy at nhiser@collegefirst.org.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

9:00AM 11:00AM

SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY, 1100 N. MAIN ST.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

10:00AM @ WINEBRENNER

WINEBRENNER TLB AUDITORIUM, 950 N. MAIN ST.

SUNDAY WORSHIP ONLINE

LIVESTREAM 9:00AM

FACEBOOK PAGE & YOUTUBE CHANNEL

GO TO THE WEBSITE 'ONLINE WORSHIP' PAGE FOR LINKS

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