

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

9:00 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE CONNECTION.

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

COME LET US SING (PART 3)

Song Leader

Todd Miller

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

O Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Let God Arise

The Greatest Commands

"How Our Youth Evangelize" Video

Prayer

Reid Simmons

How Deep the Father's Love

Communion & Contribution

Caleb Peurifoy

Surround Us, Lord

I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

Children's Worship Dismissed

Father God

"Dear Timothy and Titus: Advice for Christian Living"

Jordan Guy

Make Me a Servant

Announcements

Nathan Green

Shepherd's Prayer

Richard Duke

Music is a gift from God. It connects people, cultivates learning, and is universal. It has been part of worship since the beginning. Countless chapters in the Bible are just people pouring their hearts out in song to God!

Everyone experiences singing differently. Once when my cousins came to visit us from way up in Boston, they went to church with us. There we were in our pew and the congregation started to sing the first song of the service. My cousins turned to me, shell-shocked, and asked, "Where's the choir?"

I had never considered that my cousins, Presbyterians that they were, had grown up singing along with a choir! That was eye-opening for me: "Not everyone sings like we do?!" Then I really listened to all the voices, and how different those in Boston would sound. And how cool it was that we were both singing though we were so far away from each other! And how we had a song leader, and some places did not, and how on Sundays, all over the world, people were singing songs of worship!

Music connects people, and nothing reminds me of that like the Youth Group. Our retreats, rallies, studies, and workshops all have singing in common. And not just any singing—popcorn singing, where if there's a song on your heart, all you have to do is be brave enough to start it, and—all of a sudden—everyone is singing! We sing standing up, sitting down, on cliffs, on floors, and even holding hands. It doesn't matter where our youth group goes; we are singing!

And it's magical singing, filling me with peace. Sometimes someone will start a song I didn't even know I needed to hear! And the cool thing is, I don't have to sound perfect or even hit all the right notes, because in all those other voices, you don't hear the mistakes. You can sing without being ashamed or afraid!

Music would never be possible without someone brave enough to lead it! When I think of song leading, I think of Lads to Leaders, and of **Mrs. Kay [Gowen]**, who helped me learn how. She taught me where to put my hands and how to smile (not too big!), but she also taught me that music is something you share with others, because you want to!

Mrs. Kay did not have to come to the building and teach me, but she did! Because she had a gift that she could share! (**Mr. Reely's** help was also quite beneficial.) Now, when Mrs. Kay sees me in church, she hugs me and asks how my song leading is going!



So music in the church is a pretty cool thing. It lights a spiritual fire in us! It connects us to others all over the world no matter how we sing. It helps us grow closer to God in its beauty and simplicity. It encourages teaching and learning from others.

I am so grateful to be part of the music College Church makes and everything that comes with that!

Jordan Laing



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SHEPHERDING GROUPS

The **Mike Justus, Brad Francis**, and **Bryan Burks** Shepherding groups, along with the **Darren Mathews/Charles Underwood** group, will meet in Room 121 for a potluck THIS Sunday, September 27, following Bible classes.

WINTER COAT DRIVE

The date for the Winter Coat Drive is Saturday, November 14. 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 have a sign-up sheet to help with this event soon.

FAITHBUILDERS BIBLE CLASS

In October, **Bill Pratt** will be teaching a series of lessons in Room 100 for the Faithbuilders Class. Its title: “The Parables Of Jesus And Their Meaning For Today.”

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY

Kenna Aldrich, The Blossoms 116; **Sarah Ard**; **Mary Diles**; **Ken Sallee**, The Crossing 214B; **Wanda Spears**; **Ellen Walker**.

June Thompson, aunt of **Lola Philpott** and sister of **Elaine Crankshaw**, passed away September 25, in Decatur.

FALL ON THE LAWN

Everyone is invited to join us Sunday, October 18, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at our new location, Heritage Park, for an afternoon of fall fun and fellowship! Enjoy a chili cook-off, hot dogs, corn-hole tournament, bounce house, and more! Bring your lawn chairs or blankets and your best pot of chili to share. We'll also gather for a special devotional and singing. Everyone is welcome, and all small groups are encouraged to attend! [Click here to RSVP.](#)

Please note: Our regular 5:00 p.m. service will still be held at the church building that evening.

SIMPLE SUPPER

Join us in Room 121 on Wednesday, October 7, for a Simple Supper of BBQ and the usual tasty sides. To ensure we have the right amount of food, RSVP using [this link](#) by Sunday, October 4.

MOONCAKE FESTIVAL

The Chinese Church will celebrate the Mooncake Festival THIS Saturday, September 26, 5:00-7:00 p.m., at Cone Chapel. We will have performances, Chinese food and mooncake. Our purpose is to reach out to the Asian people in Searcy who share that tradition. All church members are invited to this free event.

ACCESS CONTROL DOORS

Our new access control system is now in place at five entrances around the building. These doors unlock automatically before services and lock 10 minutes after services begin. Anyone arriving later should enter through the Welcome Center doors. You may exit through these doors at any time. If the motion sensor does not unlock the door, press the green “Push-to-Exit” button beside it. The doors also automatically unlock if the fire alarm is activated. Questions? Contact **Nick McNabb**.

GREAT COMMISSION SUNDAY

GCS continues its three-week spotlight on the ministries receiving the largest share of campaign support in 2026: Health Talents International, Harding's Global Outreach, and Misión Para Cristo.

Stop by the Family Room this Sunday to learn more about this week's featured ministry, Harding's Global Outreach, and the opportunities provided by all three programs for our teens, university students, and College Church family.

WOMEN'S DAY

Registration for Women's Day is open now! We hope women of all ages will join us on Saturday, October 17, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the Family Room. A light breakfast buffet will begin at 8:30 a.m. This year's theme is "Welcome Home! Hospitality: the Everyday Ministry." This year's speakers include **Clarissa Chase, Sarah Crouch, Megan Glaze, Melodie Mauney, and Ann Ware**. Registration is free and can be done [online](#) or in the Welcome Center. Childcare is provided. We will also have a special giveaway and door prizes. Feel free to invite friends and neighbors!

LADS TO LEADERS

THIS Sunday, September 27, at 3:30 p.m. in Room 100, we will have our first meeting of the 2026-27 school year. We welcome boys and girls from Pre-K through 12th grade and their parents. Also, if you are a college student who would like to be part of this ministry, you are welcome as well.

FAMILY CONCERNS

Briarwood: **Ellen Brown** 104

Providence: **Harold Norwood** 316

Providence Memory Care: **Beverly Blickenstaff**

The Crossing: **Rick Boutell** 308; **Eloise Muncy** 211B

Ongoing Prayer Requests: **Fannie Amy, Karyl Bailey, David Davis, Gary Smith**; David Mathews, grandson of **Darren & Kim Mathews**

AREA EVENTS

You are invited to a wedding shower honoring Sydney Turner, bride-elect of Landon Koch, on Saturday, October 3, 10:00-11:30 a.m. at The Venue, A Gathering Place, located at 2225 West Beebe-Capps. Landon is the son of Ryan & Amy Koch and the grandson of Tex & Jacque Massagee. Sydney is the daughter of Downtown members Josh & Jenny Turner and the granddaughter of **James & Kay Gantt**. They are registered at Amazon, Doorframes, Target and theknot.com. Gifts early to 16 Silver Oak Drive.

You are invited to a wedding shower honoring Alyse Yates, bride-elect of Tyler Smith, THIS Sunday, September 27, 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the home of **Donna Brown**, 209 Longview Circle. Alyse is the great-niece of **Nancy Patterson** and daughter of West-Side members Dr. Terry & Stacey Yates. Tyler is the son of Dirk Smith and grandson of the late Dwight Smith. They are registered at Doorframes and theknot.com. Gifts early, please.

Friends are invited to celebrate Jean Tate's 90th birthday on Saturday, October 3, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Cloverdale Church of Christ. This will be a come-and-go celebration, and no gifts are requested.

5:00 PM WORSHIP

Song Leader

Daniel Bennett

Welcome

Kenneth Mills

Come, Let Us All Unite To Sing

We're Marching to Zion

Holy, Holy Holy!

Prayer

John Stone

Romans 10:14-17

Gale Hanna

There Is Power in the Blood

Come, Thou Almighty King

What a Friend We Have In Jesus

"This is a Day of Good News"

Noel Whitlock

Send The Light

Heavenly Sunlight

Lord's Supper in Room 100

Closing Prayer

Colton Waller

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 Intergenerational Study | Room 232

6:30 PM Women's Bible Class Room 234

6:30 PM 1 & 2 Peter | Paul Pollard | Room 236

6:30 PM Textual Bible Class in The Family Room

6:30 PM Singing & Prayer Class | Room 100

6:30 PM 23:6ers | Room 102

6:30 PM Study on Prayer | Eddie Cloer | Room 226

6:30 PM SH and JH Meeting

6:30 PM Hebrews | Harry Riggs | Harding Place

7:15 PM Chinese Church in Heritage | Room 210

FINANCES FOR 9/20/26

Budget for 9/20/2026 - \$52,200.00

Giving for 9/20/2026 - \$42,043.28

Budget - Week 3 - \$162,400.00

Giving - Week 3 - \$148,932.26

ATTENDANCE 9/20/26

9:00 AM Worship - 1125

Bible Class - 812

Children's Worship - 73

5:00 PM Worship - lectureship

Sunday Small Groups - 28

WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

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Men's white socks



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