

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

October 25, 2026

“Therefore, there is
no condemnation
for those who are in
Christ Jesus.”

Romans 8:1

VERSE
of the
WEEK

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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8:00 am Traditional Service

Call to Worship: Psalm 136:1-4

We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer #334 (v. 1-3)

Blessed Assurance #67 (v. 1-3)

Announcements Video

Prayer Requests & Praises: Ken Gennicks

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

Acts of Worship: Gospel Quartet

Sermon: Cory Craig Jr.

Public Success Can Hide Private Sickness

“People of the Bible - David”

(2 Samuel 11, Psalm 51)

Invitation Hymn:

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

Communion & Offering Hymn:

Alas and Did My Savior Bleed #274 (v. 1 & 4)

Communion & Offering Meditation: Cory Craig Jr.

Quietly move to Communion & Offering
tables before exiting.

9:15 & 10:30 am Worship Services

Revelation Song

Goodness of God

Shout to the Lord

Announcements Video

Prayer Requests & Praises: Ken Gennicks

Acts of Worship:

Angie Fritz & Nathania Laier

Sermon: Cory Craig Jr.

Public Success Can Hide Private Sickness

“People of the Bible - David”

(2 Samuel 11, Psalm 51)

O Come to the Altar

Worthy of It All

Communion & Offering Meditation: Cory Craig Jr.

Quietly move to Communion & Offering
tables before exiting.

AM Sermon Notes

Public Success Can Hide Private Sickness

“People of the Bible - David”

(2 Samuel 11, Psalm 51)

INTRODUCTION

Our Bible studies throughout 2026 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 we will be looking at 2 Samuel 11 and Psalm 51.

Bible Study

I. Image of _____ (2 Samuel 11:16-22)

II. Reality of _____ (2 Samuel 11:12-14, 26-27)

Application

1. _____ (Psalm 51)

CONCLUSION

Repentance doesn’t look like asking for forgiveness and moving forward with your sinful lifestyle. It means changing and reshaping your lifestyle to mirror Scripture and, more importantly, Christ as best we can.



Prayer Requests

At Memorial: David Gessaman (Ashton/Oliver Russell’s grandpa)

At St. John’s: Lori (Donnie) Richardson (fell)

At Mercy Hospital: Andrew Simmons (Marla/Alan Justice’s grandson)

At MO hospital: Kade Gleason

At Chicago: Drew Hawk (Ryan Knox’s friend)

At FL hospital: Bill White (Mary Minikin’s b-in-law)

Tests: Bonnie Russell, Karla Daubs, Bob Folkerts, Tammy Garner, Debbie Bolton, Geri Gesling, Nancy Bell, John/Jacqui McDaniel, Jeff Lopian, Sr., Linda Caldwell, Jerry Basso, Teresa Huston (Brian O’Neill’s sister), Ashley Nevins-King’s friend, Landin Evans, Larry Wise (29th/Memorial), Patty Tobias, Bill Woolsey, Terry Wunderle, Jaelyn Foulk, Tami Olson/Diane Meador, Jessica Kennett (Dec.), Pat Halberstadt, Rhonda Leinberger, Ken Barba, Mary Magee, John/Donna Bloodworth (Joel Bell’s folks)

At home: Rena Hiatt, Dave Primm, Marvin Vance, Nancy Nale’s mom, Tom/Ruth Novy, Kevin/Carrie Lee/Colton Ingham, Dawn Medley, Charlie Ford, Jerry Purcell, Jill Cleer (Arcadia), Joyce Cary, Chris McIntyre, Nancy Rudolph (surgery/3rd), Shelly Roat, Mike Sleight, Donna Sandidge, Jared Richards, Hayes Johnson, Lee Wirth (hand), Sue Furlong, Deb Selby, Brenda Schnapp (Dawna Raikes’ mother)

Touched by death: Jimmie McIntyre Family (Angie Fernandez’s dad/Cassie Sokolis’ grandpa), Sean Clark family, Mona Brown family (Whitney Churchill’s grandma), Tina Clifton family (Angie Fritz’s aunt)

Transitions: Judy Bryant (Villa East/hospice), Erna Weatherby (Hopedale), Dick Bachman/Steve Gutierrez/Charles “Butch” Mester/Rosalie Ingram (Villa), Mary Prior (Mason City), Jan Schoenhard/Bob Moore (Countryside), Carolyn Cole (Concordia), Marge Ray (Vonderlieth), Chuck VanHuss (Jacksonville), Kevin Kennett (Hillsboro), Earl Furlong (EverVella/White Hall), Linette Hughes’ dad, Stephen/Andrew Briggs, Marsha Tibbs (Randall Residence)

International Conference on Missions: Nov. 12-14/St. Louis

20 to Passion Conference: Dec. 29-31/TX/Ages 18-25

ACC Mission to Kenya: March 4-14, 2027

Vacation Bible School: June 7-11, 2027/all ages

91 to Christ In Youth Conference: July 12-16/gr. 8-12/Wheaton

Love Your Neighbor Workcamp: July 19-24/Springfield-area

Blake Canterbury: facebook.com/monroechurchplant

Capital Stewardship Campaign: EXCEL (2026-2028)

Our missionaries/military/terrorism/nation

Each other/unspoken needs

Beginning today in the lobby!

PACK A SHOEBOX!

Today - November 15

Pick up a box in the lobby. Return it by November 15.

SEND **GOOD NEWS GREAT JOY**

Send Good News, Great Joy in Jesus' Name!

Today at ACC!

TRUNK or TREAT!

IF RAINING WE'LL MOVE INSIDE!

2:00-3:30 PM-ACC PARKING LOT

Stop by and visit lots of fun trunks and stay to play on the playground. Please park in the front parking lot and walk with your children to the side of the building where Trunks & Treats begin!

Veterans' Pictures Needed

WE WILL HONOR ALL VETERANS AND ACTIVE MILITARY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Any new photos need to be at the church office or emailed to ashley@athenschristian.net by TODAY, October 25.

New 2027 PICTORIAL Directory

With many new members and growing families, it's time for a new pictorial directory!

NOV. 4 & 11 WEDNESDAY NIGHT CONNECTION

Get your picture taken in the Family Life Center. If you don't need a new photo, stop by and update your contact information.

Get your picture taken in the Library.

Scan the QR code to submit your most current contact info and upload a photo

Parent-Child Dedication

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

8:00 OR 10:30 AM SERVICES

All parents are invited to dedicate themselves to raise their child (of any age) in a Godly way -prayerfully- until he or she can make this decision on his or her own to follow God.

PLEASE SUBMIT A CHILD PHOTO AND FAMILY PHOTO BY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, WHEN YOU REGISTER ONLINE.

Jingle to the MANGER

A Kids Christmas Musical

Come celebrate the true meaning of Christmas with our kids!

MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

Sunday, December 6

4:00 PM

Cookie Fellowship to Follow!

PRESENTED BY

ACC 1st-6th Grade Kids

PRACTICE DATES

Every Sunday in November

2:00 - 3:30 PM

Saturday, December 5

9:00 - 10:30 AM

1st-6th Grade Students Sign Up Here!

WELCOMING...

GUEST WORSHIP LEADER

Joe Effinger & Team

NOVEMBER 8

8:00, 9:15 & 10:30AM

SERMON BY PASTOR SHANE BAKER

Young at Heart

Comedy Magic Show

Tuesday, November 10

10:00AM: Smile Maker Comedy Magic Show by Richard Landry

11:00AM Lunch: Turkey, dressing, gravy, mashed potatoes, corn casserole, and roll

Devotion by Tsoetsy Harris

Grieving a loss? Know someone who is?

Sunday, November 15

2:00 - 4:00 pm

at

Athens Christian Church

contact Carla Knox at ck15501@outlook.com for information

VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED AND WANTED AT ACC!

GOD GAVE US ALL UNIQUE GIFTS TO SERVE! LET US HELP YOU FIND YOUR PLACE TO SERVE AND BELONG!

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. -1 Peter 4:10

SIGN UP IN THE LOBBY OR SCAN THE QR CODE

- Applying Today's Sermon to Your Life
1. Our 2026 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 Romans 8:1, "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."
 2. How has Christ transformed your life?
 3. In what areas have you created an image of success in your life?
 4. What are your current strongholds?
 5. What sin do you need to acknowledge?
 6. What do you think God is calling you to remove in order to be free of sin and shame?
 7. Do you truly trust that you have been forgiven and freed?
 8. I will apply today's Bible study by:

DRIVE AWAY HUNGER SUNDAY

BRING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS TO TRUCKS IN THE ACC PARKING LOT FOR THE ATHENS AREA FOOD PANTRY.

NOVEMBER 22

7:30-11:30AM

Menard County ANGEL TREE

Sunday, November 22 - Sunday, December 6!

ALL GIFTS DUE BACK by Sunday, December 13

For questions, contact Jackie Hines at 217-416-3422

Today & This Week

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

Operation Christmas Child Kick-Off in Lobby

7:30 am Prayer with the Pastors (WC)

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

9:15 am Contemporary Worship Service

9:15 am Sunday School for all Ages:

- Adult Classes:
 - » The Bible Recap, led by various ACC members (Rm. 223)
 - » Deep Divers, led by Anthony Bolton (Rm. 106)
 - » Kingdom Seekers, led by Terry Henrikson (Rm. 202)
 - » Christian Living, led by Harry Schirding & Doug Wendler (Rm. 203)
 - » The Ambassadors, led by Dan Haynes (Rm. 105)
- Jr./Sr. High School (Rms. 112/113/114)
- Kids C.L.U.B. for 4 yrs.-kind., 1st-3rd gr., 4th-6th gr.
- Childcare for birth-3 years

10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

- Kids C.L.U.B. K-6th gr./Childcare birth-4yrs

2:00 pm Trunk or Treat (ACC parking lot)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26 HEBREWS 7

5:30 am ACC Workout (FLC & Rm. 208)

9:00 am Chair Aerobics (FLC)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27 HEBREWS 8

5:30 am ACC Workout (FLC & Rm. 208)

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

6:00 pm Trail Life Meeting (ACC outside area/FLC)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28 HEBREWS 9

5:30 am ACC Workout (FLC & Rm. 208)

7:15 am Wed. Morning High School Study (Youth Rm & Rm. 112)

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. High & GriefShare til 8)

7:45 pm Worship Team Practice (WC)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29 HEBREWS 10

5:30 am ACC Workout (FLC & Rm. 208)

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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30 HEBREWS 11

Church Office Closed

9:00 am Chair Aerobics (FLC)

6:00 pm Rough Edges Final Fridays Gathering (Virginia, IL)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

8:00 am ImPact Life Blood

Turn clocks back one hour before bed!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 - TIME CHANGE SUNDAY

Parent/Child Dedication at 8:00 & 10:30

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9:15 am Contemporary Worship Service

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10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

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

1:00 pm Pick-up Basketball for Ages 13+ (FLC)

2:00 pm Kids' Christmas Musical Practice (Kids Wing/WC)