

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

August 2, 2026

“Jesus replied, ‘You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand.’”



John 13:7

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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YOUNG
ADULT SUNDAY

AUGUST 2, 2026

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

Welcome

I Know a Name

Firm Foundation

Gratitude

Announcements Video

Prayer Requests & Praises: Shane Baker

Acts of Worship: Baptism Video

Sermon: Young Adult Team

Josh Harris, Grant Purchis, Zakk Edwards
Nicholas McDaniel, Cory Craig, Jr.

Invitation Hymn: *Jesus Be the Name*

Communion & Offering Hymn: *Holy Forever*

Communion & Offering Meditation: Grant Purchis
Quietly move to Communion & Offering
tables before exiting.

Other Young Adults Participating

WORSHIP TEAM

Ellie Alderman
Olivia Baker
Clayton McNeal
Alex Marcum
Emma Noggle
Young Adult Choir

SOUND BOOTH

Anthony Hale
Kennedy Hale
Braydon McNeal
Bailey Shipp

GREETERS

Lilly Alderman
Molly Alderman
Kenneth Baker
Emma Bahlow
Jordan Bridgman
Kamrie Charron
Peyton Fisher
Jaelyn Lasley
Sierra Lowers
Daniel Sundberg
McKenzie
Sundberg

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paul Harris

AM Sermon Notes

“From The Inside Out -

People of the Bible - Peter”

(Luke 22:54-57, 60-62, John 21:15-17, Acts 4:1-13)

INTRODUCTION

Our Bible studies throughout 2026 focus on “People of the Bible” and biographical sketches and timeless lessons from their lives. Every Sunday we study and apply God’s Word. This week we will be looking at Peter “From the Inside Out.”

Bible Study

I. _____ before the _____
(Luke 22:54-57/Josh Harris)

II. _____ before the _____
(Luke 22:60-62/Grant Purchis)

III. _____ before the _____
(John 21:15-17/Zakk Edwards)

IV. _____ after the _____
(Acts 4:1-13/ Nicholas McDaniel)

Application

1. Was it _____?
(Luke 22:55-62, Acts 4/Cory Craig)

CONCLUSION

Peter couldn't see Acts 4 while he was living Luke 22. What looked like failure was actually the beginning of God's transforming work. Some miracles only make sense after you arrive.

Before you leave today, please take a moment
to stop by the lobby and sign the greeting
cards for friends and family of ACC!



Prayer Requests

At Memorial: Mike Slight (after surgery), Joe DeRosa

At St. Louis: David Scherpensky (Angie Fritz’s friend),
Josh/Reese Turner (Gerry’s cousins), Brenda Troesch
(Valerie Woodrum’s mom/liver transplant)

At Chicago: Hayes Johnson

At Florida: John Dirks (Kevin Fawn’s friend)

Tests: Bonnie Russell, John Hines (knee/13th), Karla
Daubs, Bob Folkerts, Tammy Garner, Linda Hoffman’s son,
Sue Bishop’s sister, Debbie Bolton, Bree Chandler, Angie
Sutheard, Geri Gesling, Nancy Bell, John/Jacqui McDaniel,
Jim Kennett, Wimer/Darlene (Barnes) Kern, Jeff Lopian,
Sr., Jerry Talkington, Linda Caldwell, Vickie Freeland’s
relatives, Jeff Meier’s friend, Sue Furlong, Kay Sill, Vincent
Ehrich, Drew Peterson, Noah Sokolis (echo), Jerry Basso,
Mary Buttry, Jamie Roemer (7th), Dave Irwin (eye surgery),
Kevin Larson (Todd Snow’s friend), Cindy Mester (eye),
Lisa Pusch’s granddaughter (expecting/Sept. 26), Cathy
Britz (Rob Sokolis’ mom/knee/17th), Bev Leinberger
(heart/10th), Steve Snow, Vincent Johnson (Ron Ferricks’
grandson/cancer), Celeste Bailey’s grandson (dog bite)
At home: Rena Hiatt, Dave Primm, Marvin Vance, Terry
Wunderle, Nancy Nale’s mom, Tom/Ruth Novy,
Kevin/Carrie Lee/Colton Ingham, Dawn Medley, Jackie
Hines’ nephews/brother, Nancy Rudolph, Charlie Ford,
Jerry Purcell, Jae Russell’s dad, Mary Magee, Jill Cleer
(Arcadia), Geri Bell’s dad, Keith Wilson

Transitions: Dick Bachman/Steve Gutierrez/Louie
Murray/Charles “Butch” Mester/Joann
Kirchgesner/Rosalie Ingram (Villa), Mary Prior (Mason
City), Erna Weatherby/Jan Schoenhard/Bob Moore
(Countryside), Carolyn Cole (Concordia), Marge
Ray/Vivian Rankin (Vonderlieth), Chuck VanHuss
(Jacksonville), Kevin Kennett (Hillsboro), Chris McIntyre
(Lincoln Recovery), Earl (Sue) Furlong (EverVella/White
Hall), Laurie Jockisch (Cyndee Blakeman’s relative),
Linette Hughes’ dad

Ministry Intern: Tsoetsy Harris/till Aug. 14

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

ACC Mission to Kenya: March 5-14, 2027

Blake Canterbury: facebook.com/monroechurchplant

Capital Stewardship Campaign: EXCEL (2026-2028)

Our missionaries/military/terrorism/nation

Each other/unspoken needs

TODAY IS YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY
ALL THREE SERVICES

PREACHING

CORY CRAIG JR.
ZAKK EDWARDS
JOSH HARRIS
NICHOLAS MCDANIEL
GRANT PURCHIS

Today! Summer Connection
at Athens Christian Church
Sunday, August 2, 11:30am-2:00pm

11:30am-12:30pm
Lunch in the Family Life Center: hamburgers, hot dogs, pasta salad, chips, ice cream & drinks provided. Sign up in the lobby or online with # attending.

12:30 - 2:00pm (outside)
Car/Tractor Show, Pickleball Tournament, Playground, Gaga Ball, 9-Square, 3 on 3 Basketball, Kids Water Games

1:00-2:00pm (inside)
Volleyball
Cards & Board Games

JOIN US AT CANTRALL PARK
FOR MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT

Tuesday August 18 5:30-7:00pm

All families with children in CES & CIS welcome!

MEET OUR STAFF, LEARN ABOUT FUSE, AND ENJOY FREE WALKING TACOS!

FUSE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

5TH QUARTER
AT ACC AFTER THESE HOME GAMES
August 28, September 11, October 2

7th -12th grade **9:30-11:30 PM**

Join us for Food, Fun, and Fellowship!

WELCOME BABY

SUNDAY AUGUST 30
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

ATHENS CHRISTIAN CHURCH
FAMILY LIFE CENTER

HOSTED BY FRIENDS

PLEASE RSVP TO Sarah Rempel 217-671-2448

REGISTERED AT: TARGET

BABY shower
FOR Evan and Emma Noggle

wednesday night CONNECTION
SEPTEMBER 2 - NOVEMBER 11
Supper: 5:40-6:15 pm Study: 6:30-7:30 pm
7 adult classes KIDS C.L.U.B. birth-6th grade ROOTED Jr./Sr. High (6:30-8:00) (6:30-8:00)
Please mark your calendar and plan to join us!

ADULT STUDIES

MEN'S STUDY
LED BY DARIN FRITZ & BRAD LASSWELL

WOMEN'S STUDY
LED BY DEBBIE PENROD & JJ BREAZEALE

YOUNG ADULTS
LED BY KENNEDY HALE & OLIVIA BAKER

FIRM FOUNDATIONS
LED BY SHANE BAKER & JARROD REMPEL

MARRIAGE STUDY
LED BY KEITH & RACHEL GENNICKS MATT & TSOETSY HARRIS

GENERAL BIBLE STUDY
LED BY ANTHONY BOLTON & DOUG WENDLER

GRIEF SHARE
LED BY CARLA KNOX & SHELLY CURRY

SR HIGH

GOSPEL FOUNDATIONS : The Building Blocks of the Gospel

JR HIGH

STUDENTS LEARN THEIR TRUE IDENTITY COMES FROM THE CREATOR OF THE UNIVERSE

LEARN ABOUT BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH GOD AND OTHERS.

ACC Kids C.L.U.B.

1ST-3RD GRADE **4TH-6TH GRADE**

WHAT'S IN A NAME? DISCOVERING WHO GOD IS
11 WEEKS - 11 NAMES - 1 AMAZING GOD!

SPYENCE

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES
IN ATHENS, ILLINOIS

FCA has a charter organization in Athens JR/SR High School that meets together before school to study the Bible and share Jesus with their friends!

For more information, call Evan Noggle (217) 415-5644 or the group's leader, Mr. Butler, at Athens High School.

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 John 13:7, "Jesus replied, 'You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand.'"

2. How has Christ transformed your life?
3. In what ways are you being transformed?
4. Where is God restoring you in life right now?
5. What has had to break in your life for God to be exalted?
6. What have you seen God restore in your life?
7. Are you trusting God to work behind the scenes?
8. I will apply today's Bible study by:

Trail Life Troop IL-0109 at Athens Christian Church This Fall

Trail Life USA is a Christ-centered outdoor adventure and character development program for boys that focuses on leadership, service, and growing in faith through activities like camping, hiking, and skills development.

Planning Team: Anthony Bolton, John Hines, Darin Fritz, Donnie Fritz, and Eric Link
traillifeconnect.com/connect/tkz2eog5uduk

Open House at ACC
Tuesday, 8/25, 5:30-7 pm

Passion 2026
REGISTRATION OPEN!

YOUNG ADULTS (AGES 18-25)
DECEMBER 29-31, 2026
GLOBE LIFE FIELD ARLINGTON, TEXAS

NOV. 12-14, 2026 SAVE THE DATE & JOIN US!
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MISSIONS
ACC has covered the admission cost for anyone from our church family who would like to attend.

Today & This Week

TODAY, SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY

7:30 am Prayer with the Pastors (WC)
8:00 am Worship Service (nursery birth-2 yrs/3-5 yrs.)
9:15 am 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 (Rm. 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 Worship Service
•Kids C.L.U.B. K-6th gr./Childcare birth-4yrs
11:30 am Summer Connection at ACC

MONDAY, AUGUST 3 2 CORINTHIANS 2
9:00 am Chair Aerobics (FLC)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4 2 CORINTHIANS 3
8:00 am Men's Bible Study (Rm. 223)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5 2 CORINTHIANS 4
9:00 am Chair Aerobics (FLC)
6:00 pm Worship Team Practice (WC)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6 2 CORINTHIANS 5
10:00 am Prophecy Watch Study (Rm. 106)
6:30 pm Finance Team Meeting (Rm. 106)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7 2 CORINTHIANS 6
Church Office Closed
9:00 am Chair Aerobics (FLC)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

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/Childcare for birth-3yrs.
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. 106)
4:00 pm Missions Meeting (Rm. 203)
5:30 pm Prayer Gathering hosted by Ozark Christian College Students (Cory Craig, Jr., Josh Harris, Tsoetsy Harris, Jaelyn Lasley, Nicholas McDaniel) (WC)