

ATHENS
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CHURCH

the lifeline

MAY 2026

ENJOY LUNCH, DECORATING A BOW TIE OR HAIR BOW, AND SHOOTING A BOW

Mother/Child Tea
Sunday, May 3,
11:30 am-1 pm

Bows & Blessings

SIGN UP ON THE ACC APP!

SIGN UP IN THE LOBBY OR ON-LINE BY SCANNING THE QR CODE -->

CONTACT LORNA BAKER WITH ANY QUESTIONS



BACCALAUREATE SERVICE FOR ATHENS HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2026

6:30 PM ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 13
AT ATHENS CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Hosted by Athens Area Churches

COOKIE FELLOWSHIP WILL FOLLOW

Baccalaureate Service

On Wednesday, May 13, at 6:30 PM, ACC will host the Baccalaureate Service for the Athens High School Class of 2026. The service is sponsored by Athens Area Churches. The evening will include music, scripture readings, and a special message from Ryan Knox. The service will be followed by a cookie fellowship in the ACC Family Life Center for all friends and family. The entire community is invited and welcomed to attend and support our 2026 AHS graduates! Graduates participating in the service: Ella Armitage, Mylee Austin, Emily Haschemeyer, Nathan Hesson, Isabel Ingram, Gabi McCarty, Mackenzie Ratliff, Katy Sinnott, Ruby Stadsholt, Kenzie Szoke, Britt Tomlinson.

FROM THE PREACHER'S HEART

KEN GENNICKS, SENIOR MINISTER
KEN@ATHENSCHRISTIAN.NET



Celebrate Faith & Family on Mother's Day & Father's Day

On Mother's Day Sunday, May 10, we will celebrate faith and family with our annual Parent-Child Dedication services, and I will preach about "People of the Bible: 'Elizabeth, A Praying Mother'" from Luke 1:5-80. Please honor the Lord and your mother by worshiping with us! On Father's Day Sunday, June 21, we will celebrate faith and family when my sons, Kyle and Keith, help me preach about "People of the Bible: 'Eli's Father's Day Advice'", from I Samuel 2-3. Honor your father and your Heavenly Father by worshiping the Lord with us together on Father's Day! Celebrate faith, family, and church family with us at ACC! Many other great days and opportunities are at hand, as well! Don't miss a single opportunity to Worship, Connect and Serve the Lord with us!

Here's What I'm Excited About Right Now!

- Food Distribution at ACC from Central Illinois Food Bank: Tuesday, May 5, 1:30 PM
- Corrie ten Boom Tribute presentation at ACC: Tuesday, May 12, 10:00 AM
- Athens High School Baccalaureate & Reception at ACC: Wednesday, May 13, 6:30 PM
- Graduate Recognition Sunday: Sunday, May 17
- Loss of Spouse Seminar at ACC: Sunday, May 17, 2:00 PM
- Church Camps at Lake Springfield & Little Galilee: June, July & August
- Vacation Bible School for all ages: Monday-Friday, June 8-12, 6:00 PM
- Christ In Youth Conference for 112 of our youth & sponsors: Mon.-Fri., July 6-10
- I Corinthians 16:13 Men's Conference at ACC: Friday-Saturday, July 17-18
- FUSE Summer Camps at ACC: Monday-Friday, July 27-31, August 3-7, & 10-14
- ACC Summer Connection: Sunday, August 2, 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
- Wednesday Night Connection: September 2 - November 11, 5:40-7:30 PM

The Importance of Planned Giving

The importance of planned giving in this season of our church's life cannot be overstated. We work and pray to live within our means at ACC. You can give to either our general fund or our building fund. So if we "excel in this grace of giving" (2 Corinthians 8:7) toward our expenses, it is very helpful. Let me know if you have any questions, and THANK YOU to all who honor the Lord and His cause by giving regularly and generously. Christ and His cause are worth it!

EXCEL in This Grace of Giving: 2026-2028

ACC has been preaching the Gospel and serving the people of our region and our world for 184 years, since 1842! Thanks to God's faithfulness and your generosity, our church is in a strong financial position. We're thankful for everyone who is faithfully giving despite today's challenges. Thank you for making a financial commitment-by-faith for 2026-2028 for our building indebtedness, which we call, EXCEL in This Grace of Giving (2 Corinthians 8:7). Your commitment goes like this, "If the Lord provides, I will give \$_____." This is called a "faith promise" or a "faith commitment." This commitment is by faith, with no obligation if your life situation changes. This is between you and the Lord alone. A healthy, local church is the hope of the world! Our current pictorial directory pictures over 1,350 people, and we are here to serve the Lord and increase His kingdom!

Community Prayer Gatherings

Our elders and ministers host prayer gatherings on the second Sunday of each month at 5:30 p.m. (Eph. 6:18), led by volunteers. We are a praying church. Everyone should join us.

- Sunday, May 3, 5:30 PM: Jack Brown
- Sunday, June 14, 5:30 PM: Lorna Baker/VBS Update Praise & Prayer

With Bible in hand and a friend at your side, let's faithfully Worship, Connect and Serve the Lord together every day!



TOGETHER 4 HIM
SHANE BAKER, ASSOCIATE MINISTER
SHANE@ATHENSCHRISTIAN.NET



ACC TO HOST MEN'S CONFERENCE

1613 Men's Conference Livestreamed at Athens Christian Church

Rooted in 1 Corinthians 16:13-14—"Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love."—the 1613 Men's Conference is a transformative gathering for men dedicated to biblical manhood and deepening their relationship with Jesus Christ. This event unites men from all walks of life to pursue Christ and embrace virtues like integrity, compassion, and moral courage.

SCHEDULE

- **Friday, July 17:**
 - 5:00 PM (doors open and men receive box meal and water bottle as they arrive) Livestream begins for host church to join
 - 6:00-9:00 PM Conference Speakers and Music all on livestream in WC
 - Dismiss for the night
- **Saturday, July 18:**
 - 7:00 AM (Doors open and men receive protein bar & drink)
 - 7:30 AM Livestream begins (Music)
 - 8:00-11:45 AM Conference Speakers and Music all on livestream in WC
 - 11:45-1:15 PM LUNCH BREAK (possible breakout with questions) in FLC
 - 1:15-5:00 PM Conference Speaker and Music in WC
 - 5:00-6:00 PM Recap and Prayer

We will be looking for help with: (If interested in helping, see Darin Fritz or Shane Baker)

- Registration and Greeters
- IT/Sound Room
- Meals
- Dessert team (cookies donated for Friday Night box and desserts donated for Saturday lunch)
- Prayer & Follow Up

1613 MEN'S CONFERENCE
BE WATCHFUL, STAND FIRM IN THE FAITH, ACT LIKE MEN, BE STRONG. 1 COR. 16:13

**LIVESTREAM HOSTED BY
ATHENS CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

Register Today!

\$10

1613MensConference.com

JOHN LOVELL BRIAN DAWKINS ANTHONY MUNOZ
PASTOR JOBY MARTIN NICK FREITAS MATT EVERSMANN
BRAD GEARY JEFF TIEGS KRIS PARONTO

**1613
ACT LIKE MEN**

Community Christian Events

Register for Summer Camp Now!

Little Galilee Christian Camp

- May 1-2: Nurses Retreat

For more information, go to www.littlegalilee.org

Lake Springfield Christian Assembly

- May 9: Spring Service Days
- May 30: Run Your Race Scholarship 5K

For more information or to register, please go to www.lscacamp.org

Community Prayer & Worship

- Athens Community Park
- 3rd Tuesday of each month, 7:00 PM

Contact Darin Fritz with any questions

ROUGH EDGES

Friday



May 29

FINAL FRIDAY GATHERINGS

6:00 PM | 19125 RUPPEL LANE VIRGINIA, IL 62691

FREE DINNER, TEACHING & TESTIMONY

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 ASHLEY CANTRALL, WORSHIP/TECHNOLOGY MINISTER
 ASHLEY@ATHENSCHRISTIAN.NET



Worship Ministry Update

If you've been with us on a Sunday morning lately, you may have felt it—something a little different in the room. Not just in the music, but in the way people are engaging. That's been really encouraging to see. Over the past season, we've had more people step into worship ministry in different ways—on the team, in the choir, and in a greater willingness to participate. It's not about having more people for the sake of it, but about creating space for people to use their gifts and be part of what God is doing here.

Behind the scenes, there's a lot of thought that goes into each service—how it flows, where there's space to respond, and how we can lead in a way that feels both intentional and accessible. But at the end of the day, worship isn't about what's happening on stage. It's about how we, as a church, respond to who God is.

"I will praise the Lord with all my heart in the assembly of the upright and in the congregation."
 —Psalm 111:1

I'm really grateful for a team that shows up each week ready to serve, and for a church that continues to lean in. It's been a meaningful season, and I'm thankful to be part of it.

Our next opportunity to join the choir is Sunday, May 3. Rehearsals will be on Wednesday, April 29 at 6:00 PM and Sunday morning, May 3 at 8:30 AM. We'd love to have you be part of it.

Athens Glory Days Festival
SATURDAY, MAY 9, ACC WILL BE THERE!
GLORY DAYS PARADE - 10 AM

9:30am All welcome to meet at AHS parking lot to walk or ride bus in the parade!

FREE KIDS CORNER 11 AM - 1 PM

Come see us at the **FREE Community Carnival:**
ACC OUTDOORS
 11:00-1:00 shoot a bow at animal targets!
ACC KIDS CLUB
 11:00-1:00 crafts, games, and fun!


We are asking for candy donations for the parade. Please leave in the tote by the kid's check-in desk.

Join ACC at Athens Glory Days!
 Join Athens Christian Church at the Athens Glory Days Parade on Saturday, May 9!
 Be in the parade: Walk with us, ride with the Senior Ministry group (Young at Heart, Chair Aerobics), or help pass out candy with our VBS, ACC Outdoors, or FUSE After School Program floats. Meet at the Athens High School parking lot at 9:30 AM.
 Visit the festival: Stop by our VBS tent (11:00 AM–1:00 PM) for free games and activities. You can also visit ACC Outdoors inside the park building for free archery shooting.

Sunday, May 17, 2-4pm

GRIEF SHARE
LOSS OF A SPOUSE

Scan the QR Code to register online ----->
 (griefshare.org/findagroup) and sign up in the lobby



Class will be held in Room 105
 Contact Carla Knox at ck15501@outlook.com with questions or call the church office at 217-636-8463

Welcome Baby Girl
 Congratulations to **Marc and Nicole Featherstone** on the birth of their daughter, **Maci Lynn**. She was born on April 1 weighing 9 lbs. 1 oz. and 20.75 inches long. Maci was welcomed home by brother & sister, Miles and Mila.
 God bless you all!





NEWS & EVENTS
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Graduate Recognition Sunday

Calling all Graduates! Whether you are a Jr. High, High School, College, Trade School or Training Program Graduate, we want to celebrate YOU on Sunday, May 17 at our 8:00, 9:15, or 10:30 AM services. Please register your graduate on the church website or ACC app by Wednesday, May 6th and submit your photos. Please contact Evan Noggle with any questions at evan@athenschristian.net.

Camp at LSCA and LGCC

LSCA Camp and Little Galilee offer week long camps for Junior High and High Schoolers and shorter camps for those younger! Plus, if you let us know you are signing your student up for camp, we offer a church scholarship that goes towards the cost! Reach out to Evan Noggle if you have any questions! I am one of the deans for a week of JH camp at LSCA on July 19-24! This week of camp is for those going into 7th and 8th grade in the fall. It is my goal to get as many students from ACC to this camp as possible! Sign up today and don't forget to use one of these codes for a discount: Little Galilee Christian Camp: 26ATHCC100 OR Lake Springfield Christian Assembly: ATH100D-2026

CIY Move

I wanted to say thank you to everyone who gave to the Easter Offering that went towards CIY Move! We have raised \$12,270.00 so far towards this trip! Our goal is to raise \$20,000 to make sure this trip is not a financial burden on any of the students attending! You can continue to support us by these three ways:

1. Pray for the students and leaders who will be attending this life-changing trip!
2. Talk to students attending the trip to hear about why they signed up for CIY Move!
3. Continue to give to this fund financially to help support our 99 high school students! You can give to the church at anytime, just make sure to include "CIY Easter Offering" when giving!

Summer Fun Nights:

Sign up your student for Summer Fun Nights today! This is our VBS for our incoming 7-12th graders. We will have games, snacks, lesson, worship, and more! Our theme for this year is called "Unplugged".

GRADUATE RECOGNITION
SUNDAY, MAY 17
8:00, 9:15, 10:30AM

FOR ALL 8TH GRADE, HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE, TRADE SCHOOL AND TRAINING PROGRAM GRADUATES

Register today on the church website or ACC app. submit a baby photo, childhood, and current photo by May 6.

Questions: evan@athenschristian.net

SUBMIT PHOTOS HERE





RADIANT

JR High Camp **JULY 19-24**
at LSCA

All incoming Junior High Students are invited to attend camp with Youth Minister, Evan Noggle.

Register at LSCA






<https://lscocamp.org/>

CHRIST IN YOUTH CONFERENCE, JULY 6-10

99 STUDENTS REGISTERED!!

JOIN THE WAITLIST!




Summer Fun Nights
 @ ACC- for students in 7th -12th grade

UNPLUGGED

June 8-12 • 6:00-8:00pm
 worship, lesson, games, snacks...

ALL WEEK! ALL FREE!
 DURING OUR WEEK OF VBS!





KID'S CLUB & FAMILY MATTERS
LORNA BAKER, CHILDREN'S MINISTER
LORNA@ATHENSCHRISTIAN.NET



Summer Church Camp – Register Now!

Summer is right around the corner, and that means it's time for church camp! Camps at Lake Springfield Christian Assembly and Little Galilee Christian Camp are filling quickly, so be sure to register soon. At Athens Christian Church, we believe deeply in the life-changing impact of Christian camp. Because of this, ACC offers a \$100 Camp Credit (one time per child each summer) to help families with the cost. ❤️

Little Galilee Christian Camp: 26ATHCC100

Lake Springfield Christian Assembly: ATH100D-2026

🏹 Bows & Blessings: Mother-Child Tea Party Sunday, May 3 | 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Children of all ages are invited to attend with their mom, grandma, or a special adult for a memorable afternoon together.

This fun event will include:

- Boys making bow ties
- Girls making hair bows
- Lunch together
- A special photo opportunity
- A meaningful object lesson
- An archery target station for anyone who wants to try their aim 🏹

It will be a wonderful time to laugh, create, and make special memories together. We hope you will join us! 🎀

👪 Parent/Child Dedication – Sunday, May 10 (Mother's Day)

Parent/Child Dedication is a meaningful opportunity for parents to publicly commit to raising their children to know and follow Christ while partnering with the church for spiritual support.

📖 How to Participate

During the service, parents will come forward with their child as a sign of this commitment.

If you would like to participate:

- Pick up a brochure in the lobby and contact lorna@athenschristian.net with questions
- Register by May 1 at www.athenschristian.net or through the Church App

We look forward to celebrating this special step with your family.

Register for Summer Camps!

\$100 Church Camp Credit to those who attend Athens Christian Church!
(contact Lorna Baker or Evan Noggle for codes)

Lake Springfield Christian

ATH100D-2026

www.lscacamp.org

Little Galilee Christian:

26ATHCC100

www.littlegalilee.org

Parent-Child Dedication

SUNDAY, MAY 10
8:00 OR 10:30 AM
SERVICES

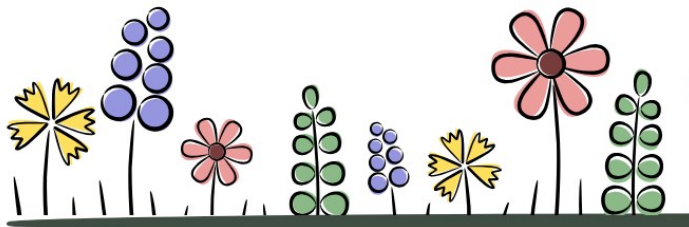


All parents are invited to dedicate themselves to raise their child (of any age) in a Godly way - prayerfully - until he or she can make this decision on his or her own to follow God.

PLEASE SUBMIT A CHILD PHOTO AND FAMILY PHOTO BY FRIDAY, MAY 1 WHEN YOU REGISTER ONLINE.

VBS 2026: Help us get ready!!

- Sunday, May 3: All Supplies Due back to Church
- Wednesday, May 6: 6-8:00 PM Work Night on Decorations/Float
- Friday, May 8: 5:30-7:30 PM Finish Float for Parade
- Saturday, May 9: 10-1:00 PM Athens Glory Day Parade/FREE Kids Games
- Monday, May 11 & Thursday, May 14: 6-8:00 PM Decoration Work Kids Wing
- Thursday, May 28: 6-8:00 PM Set Lobby and Foyer



FUSE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
 MORGAN WELLS, DIRECTOR
 MORGAN@ATHENSCHRISTIAN.NET



One of my favorite parts of this school year has been walking with our students through the Fruits of the Spirit —seeing them grow in love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control in real, everyday ways. It's been especially meaningful to watch our 6th graders prepare to take the next step into junior high, making their faith their own as they face new challenges and opportunities. Many of them have been part of our program since Kindergarten, and it's been such a privilege to see God at work in their lives. While it's bittersweet to see them move on, we are excited to watch how God will continue to guide and use them.

2026–2027 FUSE Registration

We are excited to announce that registration is now open for the 2026–2027 school year! Openings are available for children in Kindergarten through 6th grade. Registration is required, and enrollment is on a first-come, first-serve basis. If you or someone you know would benefit from our program, please contact morgan@athenschristian.net or call 217-636-8463.

We continue to find joy in the little moments of caring for our students and trust the Lord in every part of this ministry. Our last day of the school year will be Thursday, May 21st. Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

Tsoetsy's Summer Ministry Experience

Tsoetsy Harris ("Cho-chee") is pursuing a Master's Degree in General Christian Ministry at Ozark Christian College. She serves faithfully at our church as Office Assistant, a leader in the FUSE After School Program, Director of FUSE Summer Camp, and a volunteer in both Kids and Youth Ministry.

As part of her graduate studies, Tsoetsy will complete a guided ministry experience here at ACC from May 11 through August 14. This will build on her current roles while expanding her leadership, especially through Summer Camp. We're grateful to support her as she continues to grow in her calling and ministry leadership.

Monday, May 11, to Friday, August 14

Summer Camp

- Wild Life: July 28–August 1
- Mission Deep Dive: August 4–8
- I Wonder: August 11–15

REGISTER NOW!



VBS June 8–12, 2026

SURPRISE PARTY!

VBS For all ages!

REGISTER HERE → 

The Unexpected Grace of Jesus

Trail Life Troop IL-0109 Coming This Fall

Trail Life Troop IL-0109 will be launching 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. Our ACC Trail Life planning team includes Anthony Bolton, John Hines, Darin Fritz, Donnie Fritz, and Jarrod Rempel.

To learn more or express interest, visit: <https://www.trailifeconnect.com/connect/tkz2eog5uduk>



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY INTERN
 JAELYN LASLEY
 JAYMLAL2007@GMAIL.COM



This internship experience has been incredible so far! I've had the opportunity to learn many new skills and experience several firsts, including creating a bulletin board, going to the post office, sharing Scripture during visits, and preparing materials with the laminator. Through this experience, God has given me a new confidence and has made it very clear that ministry is where He is leading me. I'm also excited to share that I have officially been accepted to Ozark Christian College this fall. I am so thankful for this opportunity and for how this internship has helped prepare me for what's ahead. I am especially grateful to Lorna for her encouragement and for challenging me to grow, and to the entire church staff for investing in me and supporting me along the way. Thank you all so much! I am excited for the weeks ahead and all that God continues to teach me through this experience.

Thank You

- Dear Church Family, I cannot thank you enough for being there for my husband, Albert McCarthy, during the months of his life. From bringing him communion, to the ministers who spent time talking to him, and the prayers and the kindness meant so much. We find comfort in knowing that Albert grew because of all of you. He loved to say he had a church family through ACC. We are so beyond thankful to everyone who prepared food, cooked and served, and volunteered for the funeral luncheon. Also, the ones who brought food to the house, thank you so much. The time we were able to spend together as a family meant so much. It was truly a blessing. God Bless you all. **The McCarthy Family**
- I would like to thank everyone at ACC for all the phone calls and cards of prayers. I'm doing fine, it's just hard that I can't do what I used to do and go places. Hopefully, with the new meds, things will change. Thank you. God Bless to all, **Mary Magee**
- Thank you all for praying for my brother. He received great news. The treatment was a success and will continue to be monitored. Also, please continue prayers for my sister, Cindy, as she continues to live/struggle with MS. God is good. Thank you all! **Laurie Ingram**

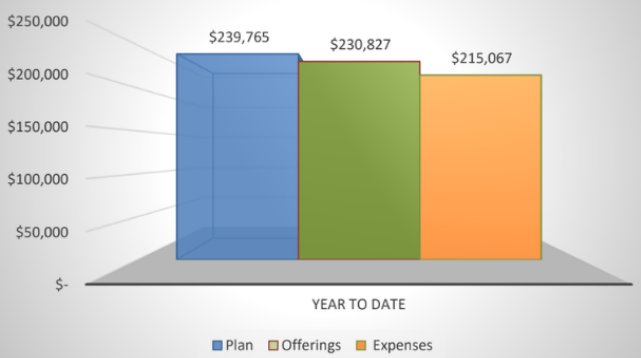


**DRIVE THRU
 FOOD GIVEAWAY**
 Tuesday, May 5
 1:30 PM

Distribution begins when food is delivered and sorted.
 (food available while supplies last)
 Line up at 1:00 PM in the ACC Parking Lot
OPEN TO ALL
 No registration or financial eligibility required

Financial Update: March, 2026

ACC General Fund 2026



Building Fund

Offering: \$13,450.94
 Loan Payment:
 \$7,366.13
 *An additional \$7,736.21 will be paid down on principal.

General Fund

Offering \$76,726.96
 Expenses \$70,674.44

Communion & Pew Stocking

Communion
Preparation:

May
 Carla Knox
June
 Jeff & Janet
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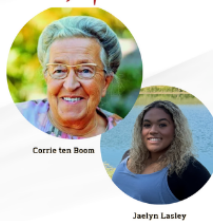
Pew Stocking:

May
 Diane McCormick
June
 Kathy Becker



Senior News

Young at Heart



Tribute Artist Corrie ten Boom

Tuesday, May 12

9:30 Free Blood Pressure Checks

10:00 Corrie ten Boom Tribute Presentation by Gayle Haas

11:00 Free Sliders, chips, cole slaw & watermelon

Devotion by Jaelyn Lasley

The next **Young at Heart** will be on **Tuesday, May 12** from **10:00 AM-Noon**. Free blood pressure checks will be available from 9:30-10:00 AM. May's presentation will be a **Corrie ten Boom Tribute Artist presentation by Gayle Haas**. Devotion will be by **Jaelyn Lasley** and a free meal will be **sliders, chips, cole slaw & watermelon**. Sign up in the church lobby. If you have any questions, please call the church office. **Team 1 is doing desserts.**

SENIOR TRIP

Saturday, May 2

Monticello, Illinois

Train Museum & Downtown restaurants. Drive thru Allerton Park (Time Permitting)

- Meet at ACC at 9:00 AM (75 min. drive)
- Train leaves museum at 11:00 AM
- Cost: \$12 tour, plus meal
- Seniors only
- Sign up in the lobby



Team 1:

- Diane McCormick
- Carol Council
- Sandy Swan
- Shirley Wasilewski

The next **Senior Trip** will be to the **Train Museum & Downtown Restaurants in Monticello, IL** on **Saturday, May 2**. Meet at ACC at 9:00 AM. The cost will be \$12, plus your meal. Please sign up in the lobby.

Mission Trip Update from the ACC Missions Team

At this time, the Dominican Republic mission trip planned for August has been canceled due to limited interest. We hope to revisit an opportunity like this in the future. We are excited to share that planning is now underway for our Kenya Mission Trip (March 2027)! Join Shane and Lorna Baker, and Morgan Wells as we partner with Missions of Hope International (MOHI) to serve in Kenya. If you are interested in this trip, please complete the interest form to receive additional details, or sign up in the lobby & we will contact you. <https://forms.gle/NfE6sp3swbNawp6Z7>



WORSHIP THROUGH

General Fund and/or Building Fund



GIVING

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ONLINE:

DROP BOXES

LOCATED AROUND THE WORSHIP CENTER, IN LIBRARY, OUTDOOR DROP BOX AT OFFICE

SET UP GIFTS TO BE AUTOMATICALLY PROCESSED

*ATHENSCHRISTIAN.NET/GIVING

*ACC APP:



*TEXT-TO-GIVE:

1-888-364-4483 TEXT "GIVEACC"

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GENERATE A RECURRING OR ONE-TIME CHECK TO BE MAILED TO THE CHURCH

*PLEASE CONSIDER INCLUDING THE ONLINE FEE IN YOUR GIFT: THE ENTIRE AMOUNT IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE

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ATHENS CHRISTIAN CHURCH
P.O. BOX 260
ATHENS, IL 62613

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OR ESTATE PLANNING:

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New Members

Please welcome our new members with a card or warm greeting!

- **Kenny Mayes: Baptized March 27**
 - 23093 DiGiovanna AVE, Athens, IL 62613
- **Clark Miller (Dad) & Gage Miller-Portratz (Son): Both Baptized March 29**
 - 1915 Skyranch AVE, Oshkosh, WI 54904
- **Oliver Russell: Baptized March 29**
 - 1115 Memory LN, Springfield, IL 62707
- **Madison Wells: Baptized March 29**
 - 1115 Memory LN, Springfield, IL 62707
- **Dan Harden: Baptized April 5**
 - 22349 Cantrall RD, Athens, IL 62613
- **Kendall Kollmann: Placed Membership April 5**
 - 20605 Coady, Greenview, IL 62642
- **Noah Neisler: Baptized April 12**
Mia Neisler: Placed Membership April 12
 - 708 N Bitterroot CT, Athens, IL 62613
- **Norah Stewart: Baptized April 12**
 - 716 S Marion ST, Mt. Pulaski, IL 62548



May

Mark YOUR Calendar

JUNE



- Men's Bible Study: Tuesdays, 8:00 AM
- Chair Aerobics: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays: 9:00-10:00 AM
- High School Wednesday Morning Groups: Wednesdays thru May 6, while school is in session, 7:15-8:00 AM
- Senior Trip to Monticello, IL: Saturday, May 2, 9:00 AM-2:30 PM
- VBS Supply Donations Due: Sunday, May 3
- Bows & Blessings Mother/Child Tea: Sunday, May 3, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM
- Monthly Community Prayer Gathering: Sunday, May 3, Worship Center, 5:30-6:00 PM
- VBS Worknight: Wednesday, May 6, 6:00-8:00 PM
- VBS Worknight (Float): Friday, May 8, 5:30-7:30 PM
- Athens Glory Days Parade: Saturday, May 9
- Parent/Child Dedication: Sunday, May 10, 8:00 & 10:30 AM
- VBS Decoration Work: Monday, May 11, 6:00-8:00 PM
- Young at Heart (Corrie ten Boom Tribute presentation): Tuesday, May 12, 9:30 AM-Noon
- Athens Baccalaureate: Wednesday, May 13, 6:30-8:00 PM
- VBS Decoration Work: Thursday, May 14, 6:00-8:00 PM
- Graduate Recognition Sunday: May 17, All three services
- Loss of Spouse: Sunday, May 17, RM 105, 2:00-4:00 PM
- Memorial Day Service: Sunday, May 24, All three services
- Worship Workshop: Wednesday, May 27, 6:30-8:30 PM
- VBS Lobby & Foyer Set-up: Thursday, May 28, 6:00-8:00 PM
- Young Adult Sunday: May 31, All three services
- CIY Parent/Student Meeting: May 31, 1:00 PM
- Men's Bible Study: Tuesdays, 8:00 AM
- Chair Aerobics: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays: 9:00-10:00 AM
- VBS Worknight: Tuesday, June 2, 6:00-8:00 PM
- VBS Worknight/Set the Stage: Thursday, June 4, 5:30-7:30 PM
- Farewell Reception for Spring Children's Ministry Intern, Jaelyn Lasley: Sunday, June 7, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM
- Vacation Bible School, For All Ages! June 8-12, 6:00-8:00 PM
- Summer Fun Nights (7th-12th Grades): June 8-12, 6:00-8:00 PM
- Adult Bible Study "Faith Foundations": June 8-12, 6:00-8:00 PM
- VBS Surprise Family Party: Sunday, June 14, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM
- Monthly Community Prayer Gathering: Sunday, June 14, Worship Center, 5:30-6:00 PM



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