

Weekly Update

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COLLEGE FIRST
CHURCH OF GOD

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April 22, 2026



Dear College First family,

Our next baptism will be held on Sunday, **May 3** at 11 AM. If you are interested in baptism, please contact a pastor.

May 3 is also UF President **Dr. Fell's Retirement Picnic** from 11 AM to 1:30 PM. You are invited!

Findlay Prays: A National Day of Prayer (and praise) Event is Thursday, **May 7** from 7:30-8:30 AM at Winebrenner. A free continental breakfast will be served. All are welcome.

He is (still) risen!

Blessings,

Kirk



Alex Miller 4/23

Adam Sielschott 4/24

Robert Wilson 4/27

Daisy Mamidi 4/28

Margaret Hartman 5/3

Bill Woolum 5/4

Mary Rothlisberger 5/5

Kim Miller 5/5

David Martaus 5/6

Upcoming Events

4/24: Finally Friday, 6 PM

4/25: Ladies Luncheon, 11 AM

5/2: UF Grad Party, 5 PM

5/12: Senior Fun Dinner, 5:30 PM

TITHES/OFFERINGS....\$23,606.13

ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS....\$2,251.89

BUDGET....\$22,749.40

You can 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.



Join us in a card shower for Grayce Meinardi!

Grayce Meinardi, the 11-year-old granddaughter of Gary and Joetta Carles, has just started her third round of chemo treatments at Riley Children's Hospital. Grayce and her mom, Emilie, will remain at the hospital for 40-45 days as she goes through the treatment. Let's shower them both with cards, good wishes, and prayers during their stay!

Cards may be mailed to:
 Grayce Meinardi
 Riley Children's Hospital
 705 Riley Hospital Dr., Room #5113
 Indianapolis, IN 46202



- Jeanette Althaus
- Nancy Baughman
- Linda Bratt
- Christine Cole
- Briella Fletcher
- Jill Gordon
- Ledger Han
- Randy Jones
- Grayce Meinardi
- Lee Osmun
- Cindy Sims-Perry
- Penny Prigge
- Doug Rosendale
- Karen Scheiderer
- Heather Tussing
- Beppie Walerius
- Susan Williams
- Phyllis Wolford

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.

Gathering Ground Crew Volunteers Needed!

Maybe you've seen our Gathering Ground Crew (GGC) before or after the 9:00 and 11:00 services on Sunday mornings. Have you noticed volunteers wearing blue aprons as they put out donuts, prepare coffee, and keep things organized in the Gathering Ground Room? These cheerful, friendly volunteers are part of the GGC Ministry!

Pam Jenkins heads up this ministry each Sunday as the Gathering Ground Crew members serve tasty treats and hot coffee! GGC acts of service are based on Romans 12:10-13 "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayers. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality."

We would love to chat with you on how to become a volunteer on Sunday mornings. There are many ways to be involved. Please contact Pam Jenkins at (419) 615-9774 or by email pkjenkins1978@hotmail.com to further discuss how you can be involved.

Time for an updated family photo?

Sign up for the College First pictorial directory today!
APRIL 27-28

1. Go to <https://ucdir.com/> or scan the QR code
2. Click on the **red** box labeled "Photography Session Sign Up"
3. Enter the following information:
Church Code: OH2944 Password: photos2
4. Follow the prompts to choose your preferred date and time.
Free 8 x 10 photo included with session!

Online sign ups for the pictorial directory are available Monday through Friday by using the QR Code above or go to ucdir.com. Last chance to sign up for pictures will be Sunday, April 26 after each service.



Join Us To Share Hope and Encouragement!

For decades, College First has shared a meaningful relationship with Birchaven Village in Findlay. One way we live that out is by offering a 30-minute worship service at Birchaven at 4:00 pm on the **fourth Sunday of each month** (and on occasional fifth Sundays). Each month, a team from College First gathers with our brothers, sisters, and friends at Birchaven to welcome residents, assist those with mobility or dexterity challenges during the service, and help transport residents back to their room afterward. Team members also provide musical leadership, prayer and preaching/teaching. **There's a place for everyone to serve.** If you'd like to be a part of this meaningful ministry, please contact Pastor David Welker at dwelker@collegefirst.org.

SENIOR FUN MAY DINNER

The month of May brings another opportunity to gather with the gang at Senior Fun. You are invited to gather with all your friends from Senior Fun and be a part of our May Dinner. The dinner will feature Lee's Chicken including fried and baked chicken as well as tenders. Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share. Main course, drink and table serve will be provided.

Following the meal, our own Pastor Nancy will share about all the upcoming summer ministry opportunities for our Next Gen family. Plan to bring a friend and share in a great time together. Sign up today.

Tuesday, May 12 @ 5:30
Church Fellowship Hall



Women's Ministries Thank Offering

It has been a few years since College First has participated in Women's Ministries Thank Offering. This is a full year fundraiser to support the outreach endeavors of the Churches of God Women's Ministries.

According to cggcwomen.org, "Grace Pierson, the founder of Churches of God Women's Ministries (formerly known as Women's Christian Service Council) established Thank Offering in 1954. Women were encouraged to drop a few coins in their canisters each day along with a prayer of thanksgiving. Since that time, more than \$2 million has been collected and distributed to advance the Kingdom through various ministries all over the world."

The current ministries being supported by the Thank Offering:

- Bogra Hospital Nursing Scholarships (15%)
- Venezuela Bible School (15%)
- Physical Therapy School in Haiti (20%)
- Winebrenner Female Students (25%)
- Women's Leadership Development (25%)

We will have Thank Offering canisters to collect money in. These will be located across the Sanctuary and the Winebrenner Resource Table. Once the canisters are full, please bring them back to the church office. Or you can even donate online by scanning the QR Code below. For more information about the Women's Ministries Thank Offering, you can check out this website: <https://www.cggcwomen.org/thank-offering>. Thank you!



CF Kids: April Finally Friday

Come join us this month in the Fellowship Hall for some “totally rad” tie-dye fun for Finally Friday! For grades K-5th.



Join Our Nursery Team!

Are you looking for a meaningful way to serve our families? We are looking for a dedicated Nursery Worker to help during our Wednesday night Encounter sessions (6:00–7:30 PM) on the 4th and 5th Wednesdays of each month (when there is a 5th Wednesday). This would be for children birth through toddlers. There would be approximately three children in the room.

By caring for our kiddos, you enable parents to be fed by God's Word in their own small group gathering that will be meeting in the church building. If you love working with children and want to share God's love through your service, we'd love to talk to you!

Requirements: 18+, background check required, and a heart for ministry.

Interested? Contact Pastor Kimberly Reese at kreese@collegefirst.org.

Coming Up: VBS 2026

Get ready for VBS @ College First! Questions or to sign up, please contact Nicky, Director of Kids & Family Ministries at ninman@collegefirst.org.



LITERACY LIONS

READING PROGRAM

THIS SUMMER

WEDNESDAYS 3-5PM

Come join us and help kids brush up on their reading skills with a little one on one tutoring! We need you! Last year we had 22 tutors and 44 kids. Come join the fun! Contact Nicky at Ninman@collegefirst.org

UPWARD
College First Church of God

FLAG FOOTBALL & CHEER LEAGUE

MORE INFO:  scan here

REGISTER:  scan here

VOLUNTEER:  scan here

LOOK FOR ANY CHILD GOING INTO KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 6TH GRADE IN THE FALL OF 2026!
PLAY WITH PURPOSE. DEVELOP SKILLS. STRENGTHEN CHARACTER. HAVE FUN!

Registration starts MAY 15! We are also in need of volunteers; football and cheer coaches, referees, set up/tear down crew, and more. Questions? Email Faith at upward@collegefirst.org.

CAMP Otyokwah FOR THE KINGDOM COLOSSIANS 1:13-14

SUMMER 2026

WORTHY
Phil. 2:10-11

2026 CAMP DATES

June 4-5: Pioneer ----- 2nd-3rd

June 7-12: Jr. High 1 ----- 7th-9th

June 14-19: Junior 1 ----- 4th-6th

June 21-26: Sr. High ----- 10th-Grad

July 5-10: Junior 2 ----- 4th-6th

July 12-17: Jr. High 2 ----- 7th-9th

Registration & More Info

Fees:
\$440/wk
(\$390 before 4/13)
Pioneer: \$100

Scholarships are available For Camp O! Please email Pastor Nancy at nhiser@collegefirst.org for more info.

Financial Sponsorship Opportunities

PIONEER CAMP OTYOKWAH \$100 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 DAYS OF CAMP • GRADES 2-3 • SPONSOR AT 50% FOR \$50 	CAMP OTYOKWAH \$390 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 DAYS OF CAMP • GRADES 4-12 • SPONSOR AT 50% FOR \$195
STUDENT MISSIONS TRIP TO MILWAUKEE \$489 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 DAYS OF SERVICE • AGES 11-18 • SPONSOR AT 50% FOR \$244.5 	BIBLE QUIZZING NATIONALS \$182 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 DAYS OF QUIZZING • GRADES 5-12 • SPONSOR AT 50% FOR \$91 <p style="font-size: small; margin: 0;">Camp Sunrise Mountain in Markleysburg, PA</p>

2026 COLLEGE FIRST - NEXT GEN MINISTRIES

Donations Needed

Our church and community are in need of: a computer chair, a clothes rack, electric stove, a bicycle, and mattresses. If you have any of these items to donate, please contact Pastor Nancy at nhiser@collegefirst.org.

IF YOU FIND JESUS - TAKE HIM WITH YOU.

SIGN UP TO MAKE AN IMPACT!

STUDENT MISSION TRIP
TO MILWAUKEE | JUNE 14-20

Scholarships are Available for Ages 11-25

For more info: Connect with Pastor Nancy at nhiser@collegefirst.org

www.collegefirst.org

It's Graduation Time!

High School Graduation Recognition is on Sunday, May 31. Parents and graduates should send the below information along with a digital photo to Pastor Nancy at nhiser@collegefirst.org no later than Wednesday, May 27.

Student Name:
Parents:
Name of School:
Special Honor or Awards:
Future Plans:
Which Service Do You Plan To Attend On May 31:

JOIN US FOR ENCOUNTER!

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

Staff Directory

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Jon Rupp, Stewardship and Finance

Dave Green, Worship

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 AM & 10 AM

FACEBOOK PAGE & YOUTUBE CHANNEL

GO TO THE WEBSITE 'ONLINE WORSHIP' PAGE FOR LINKS

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