

Weekly Update

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May 13, 2026



Dear College First family,

I've been so encouraged by the **good fruit** God is producing through College First. Praise the LORD! One example is our Next Gen ministries where our student population has been exploding. Last year, 65 of you were a **spiritual sponsor** to someone going to Bible Quizzing Nationals, a mission trip, and/or camp. This year we need at least 80 of you to pray for and send at least one letter or care package to a student. **Financial sponsors** are also needed as many of these young masterpieces come from unchurched and/or low income households. I urge you to contact Pastor Nancy for details...nhiser@collegefirst.org or (419) 422-7365. Heather and I were sponsors last year and we're doing it again. It was an encouragement to both us and the students. Your support could literally change a life for eternity.

Pentecost Sunday is May 24, beginning with one joint worship celebration at Winebrenner at 10:30 AM followed by our annual **picnic** in front of Old Main. **We need cookies and teardown help.** Please signup at the church office, Sunday morning, or contact Pastor Kimberly at kreese@collegefirst.org or (419) 422-7365.

Blessings,

Kirk



Jim Markel 5/15
Jerry Murray 5/15
Randy Ewing 5/17
Jerry Natal 5/22
David Welker 5/24
Missy LaRocco 5/24
HerLinde Goertz 5/26
Lance Finley 5/26
Kenneth Curry 5/29
Lisa Heath 5/29

Upcoming Events

5/24: Pentecost Sunday, 10:30 AM
5/24: Church Picnic, 11:30 AM
5/27: Young Adult Game Night, 7 PM
5/29: Finally Friday, 6 PM

TITHES/OFFERINGS....\$20,590.30
ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS....\$2,625.65
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.



Celebration of Life
 A Celebration of Life service will be held for Kathy Kennard this Saturday, May 16th at College First.

Visitation will be from 10-11 AM, with the service beginning at 11 AM.

Pentecost Sunday
 Join us for a combined worship service on Pentecost Sunday, May 24th at 10:30 AM at Winebrenner Auditorium. Pentecost Sunday is the celebration of the pouring out of the Holy Spirit into our lives.

Everyone is then invited to a church-wide picnic immediately following the service. The picnic will be on the front lawn of Old Main and the menu will include pulled pork, shredded chicken and other picnic foods.

If you would be interested in providing cookies or set up/take down for the picnic, please sign up outside of the church office.

CARD SHOWER!
 Help celebrate HerLinde Goertz' 80th birthday on May 26 by sprinkling her with some birthday wishes! To send a card to her, please mail to:

The Heritage
 c/o HerLinde Goertz
 2820 Greenacre Dr. Apt. 204
 Findlay, OH 45840

- Nancy Baughman
- Midge Beck
- Linda Bratt
- Christine Cole
- Jill Gordon
- Ledger Han
- Randy Jones
- Grayce Meinardi
- Lee Osmun
- Cindy Sims-Perry
- Bill Phillips
- Penny Prigge
- Doug Rosendale
- Karen Scheiderer
- Don Thomas
- Heather Tussing
- Beppie Walerius
- Susan Williams

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.

Church Directory Update
 Church directories will be available sometime in Autumn. You can still submit digital photos for the directory until Sunday, May 24th. Any questions, please contact the church office.

CARING AND SHARING
 Please join Caring and Sharing Group in May and June for some great reads! On Tuesday, May 19, book to be discussed is *Fearless* by Max Lucado. For Tuesday, June 16, the book to be discussed is *Let It Go* by Chris Williams. Caring and Sharing meets every every third Tuesday of the month in the Parlor Room from 7-9 PM.

Donations Needed

Our church and community are in need of: a desk, a microwave, and a rice cooker.

If you have any of these items to donate, please contact Pastor Nancy at nhiser@collegefirst.org.



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SCRAP

METAL DRIVE

Accepting
donations until
July 16th

Large Pickup Dates
May 28 & July 16



WHAT YOU CAN DONATE

- Aluminum cans
- Cords to electronic devices
- Old Christmas lights
- Non-working mowers
- Vehicles
- Bicycles
- Plumbing pipes
- Washers / Dryers
- Exercise equipment
- Cables

Every donation helps advance Youth Missions

For large donation items, contact:
Pastor Nancy | nhiser@collegefirst.org



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!



 **FLYING SOLO**
SINGLE MOMS BIBLE STUDY!
WITH CHILDCARE!
THURSDAYS 7-8PM

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.



IF YOU FIND JESUS - TAKE HIM WITH YOU.

LIGHT IT UP

COLLEGE FIRST KIDS

2026 VBS

July 20th - 24th

COME JOIN US!

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

OPEN FOR ANY CHILD GOING INTO KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 6TH GRADE IN THE FALL OF 2026!

PLAY WITH PURPOSE. DEVELOP SKILLS. STRENGTHEN CHARACTER. HAVE FUN!

SUMMER SCHEDULE 2026



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MAY 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young Adult Game Night 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young Adult Waterpark Day 8:00 AM 	27 JUNE
JULY 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young Adult Fireworks Night 7:00 PM
29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young Adult Pool Party 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young Adult Bonfire & Worship Night (8:00 PM – 10:00 PM) Youth Sunday 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 	5 AUGUST
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For more information:
nhiser@collegefirst.org
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Financial Sponsorship Opportunities



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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>Camp Sunrise Mountain in Markleysburg, PA</p>



2026

DOWN TO THE RACES

GRADES K-5TH

FINALLY FRIDAY!



BRING YOUR FASTEST HOT WHEELS CAR OR USE ONE OF OURS! YOU ARE LOVED

JOIN US FOR A FAST SPEED NIGHT OF RACING AND FUN

MAY 29TH 6:00 - 8:00




COLLEGEFIRST NXT GEN MINISTRIES

Summer Cedar Point Trip

TICKETS: **\$35** INCLUDES DRINK & WRISTBAND

June 4 8AM - 8PM

Register by emailing nhiser@collegefirst.org or using the digital sign-up.

ALL AGES WELCOME!




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Staff Directory

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Mark Fillhart*, Assistant Custodian
*=Part Time

Church Elders 2026

Deb Anders, Next Generation

Alvin Trusty, Connection and Discipleship

Nate Tice, Outreach and Missions

Randy Ewing, Property Management

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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PHONE: 419-422-7365 FAX: 419-423-9449

E-MAIL: office@collegefirst.org

WEBSITE: www.collegefirst.org

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday 9AM-4 PM, Friday 9 AM-2 PM



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College First Interns: Spring 2026

Rebekah Newman

Katie Froelich

Caitlyn Myers

Zack Britton