

Weekly Update FYI

COLLEGE FIRST
CHURCH OF GOD

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October 14, 2026



Dear College First family,

Thanks to everyone who took Sunday's short survey. It's very important as we assess our current reality and plan for the future. If you missed it, please take it [here](#) or scan the QR code below.

On a related note, Saturday is our annual Elder/Staff retreat. Please pray for us as we gather.

Financial Peace University is a great course for anyone looking to improve their financial, spiritual, or marital health. All are welcome, and scholarships are available. The fun begins tonight!

Our staff is grateful for the staff appreciation cards and treats (though we might need to buy a treadmill after all of the goodies!). Thank you.

This Sunday is the launch of a new sermon series, He Promises, and our monthly Young Adult lunch. I can't wait!

Blessings,

Kirk



Carole Cleary 10/14
Ryan Ogg 10/16
Nathan Tice 10/16
Wendy Jolliff-Schiltz 10/17
Nicky Inman 10/18
Rick Runion 10/20
Emily Harris 10/20
Jennifer Leiner 10/20
Kimberly Reese 10/20
Rick Runion 10/20
Emily Harris 10/20
Ruth Challen 10/23
JoAnn Wilson 10/23
Anna Welker 10/24
Nancy Baughman 10/24

Upcoming Events

10/18: Newcomer After Party, after 10 AM service
10/18: Young Adult Lunch, 11:30 AM
10/18: Suter's Corn Maze, 3 PM
10/25: Newcomer After Party, after 11 AM service
10/30: Finally Friday, 6 PM
11/8: Annual Congregational Meeting, 5 PM

TITHES/OFFERINGS....\$38,971.14
ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS....\$284.16
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.



You don't have to figure out money ALONE.

SIGN UP TODAY

Financial Peace University is back! If you ever wanted to learn about financial security and be debt free, then this class is for you! An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 14 at 6 PM with the nine week course starting Wednesday, October 21, both in room 201, 6-7:30 PM. Cost is \$80 per family and scholarships are available. Childcare available for kids, grades K-5. There are only five spots open, so sign up today! Sign-ups are outside the church office, Winebrenner Resource table, QR Code, or visit the link: [Financial Peace University](https://www.financialpeace.org). For more information, please contact Merle Walter at merlewalter@gmail.com.

Staff Appreciation

The whole month of October will be a month to show "thank you" and "keep up the wonderful work you do" to our staff and Pastors in the form of notes, cards, and baked goods! Monetary gifts can be saved until the December Christmas Staff Gift invitation. Thank you so much for showing appreciation to our hardworking staff and Pastors!

God Bless-
Nate Tice, Church Council President



Operation Christmas Child boxes are here! They are located outside of the church office and also near the Winebrenner Resource Table. Please bring your boxes back to church no later than **Friday, November 13** to the church office. Any questions, please call the office.



- Nancy Baughman
- Linda Bratt
- Nondace Campbell
- Carole Cleary
- Shirley Dewey
- Phyllis Heffner
- Jill Gordon
- Ledger Han
- Grayce Meinardi
- Caitlyn Myers
- Lee Osmun
- Cindy Sims-Perry
- Penny Prigge
- Dan Roberts
- Doug Rosendale
- Karen Scheiderer
- Brian Springer
- Barb Wanstedt
- John 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.

In Sympathy

Our sympathy and prayers to Jerry and Cindy Duke after the passing of Cindy's dad, Marlin Roller, on October 7th.

Address Change

Nondace Campbell has moved. Her new address is:

6782 N. Clear Creek Rd.
Huntington, IN 46750

Newcomer After Party

For those new to College First. Learn about College First and how to get connected! There are two dates left: 10/18 after 10 AM service in Room 151 at the Stewart Center, and 10/25 after 11 AM service in the Parlor. We hope to see you soon!



IF YOU FIND JESUS - TAKE HIM WITH YOU.



21st annual
UNIVERSITY OF FINDLAY
**helping
hands**
FOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, November 4th

On-Campus: 7:30 am - 7:30 pm

Drive Up & Drop Off - 301 Davis St.

Off-Campus: 11 am - 7 pm

Locations will be announced on our website in October!

Help Stop Hunger!

Most Requested Items:

Peanut Butter
Bottled Juice
Canned Soup
Canned Fruit
Cereal

Donations
benefit
CHOPIN Hall
& stay in
Hancock
County!



Drop off location is now at College First in front of the office. Your donation will go to people in need in Hancock County. Donations at College First will be collected now until *Wednesday, November 2.*

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

If you call College First your church home, please come to the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 8 at 5 PM in the Sanctuary! You will meet current church council members, an overview what church council has done for the 2026 season, and church members can vote for new council members for 2027 year.

FLYING SOLO

SINGLE MOMS BIBLE STUDY!

WITH CHILDCARE!

THURSDAYS 7-8PM



Music has always played an important role in our Sanctuary Services and that is especially true as the holidays draw near. Plans are being made to have our College First Orchestra help lead in worship on the Sundays before Thanksgiving and Christmas.

This is great time for you to dust off your old horn or rosen up the bow again and join in the fun. Rehearsals will be limted and take place at the following dates and times:

Thanksgiving Sunday

- Reharsal on Saturday, November 21 @ 10:00 am

Christmas Sunday

- Rehearsal on Saturday, December 19 @ 10:00 am

Contact Pastor David at dwelker@collegefirst.org for more information.

JOIN the
Christmas Eve
CHOIR

It's only October, but it will be Christmas Eve before you know it, and plans are already underway to prepare for a very special evening of worship and celebration. Plans have been made to have three traditional Christmas Eve services at 5:00, 7:00 and 9:00 pm. To meet the challenges of the expected long evening, it is hoped to put together a large choral ensemble, including the resources of our Worship Choir, that can be split in two to cover the three services. Rehearsals will begin in November and be held on Wednesday evenings to prepare to sing three anthems and help lead in worship. Exact dates and times will be determined soon. Be on the lookout for more information coming soon.

Contact Pastor David at dwelker@collegefirst.org if you have questions.

Jesus helps me believe.
John 20:19-20, 24-29





YOUTH
SUTER'S CORN MAZE TRIP

OCTOBER 18TH
3:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Join us for a fun fall afternoon
at Suter's Corn Maze!

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

- Hayride
- Fall Games
- Apple Cider Donuts
- Kettle Corn
- Pumpkin Picking
- Fresh Flower Picking

Meet in the Church
Fellowship Hall

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COLLEGE FIRST KIDS
4TH ANNUAL

BOO BASH

FRIDAY
OCTOBER 30TH
6PM-8PM

FINALLY
FRIDAY
AND UPWARDS
PARTY

**WAGON RIDE, GAMES, AND COSTUMES
COMPETITION! (G RATED COUSTUMES PLEASE!)**

SEEUOTHER!!!
1100 N MAIN ST. FINDLAY



COLLEGEFIRST CHURCH

Young Adult Lunch

October 18th, 2026 | 11:30AM - 1:00PM

Food • Community • Fellowship

College First Fellowship Hall

INDIAN FOOD

Chicken Dum Biryani | White Rice | Dal | Chapati

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CF Kids: Candy Donations

We are needing candy donations for
our Boo Bash in October. No
restrictions on candy type. Please bring
donations to the church office, now
until the end of October. Thank you so
much! U R LOVED!!!



NEW DATE

~~OCTOBER 9-11~~

NOVEMBER 13-15

ROOTED
HIGH SCHOOL FALL RETREAT
AT CAMP OTYOKWAH
TO KNOW CHRIST
EST. 1947
BUTLER, OH

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

9 AM & 11 AM

SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY, 1100 N. MAIN ST.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

10:00AM @ STEWART CENTER
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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WEBSITE: www.collegefirst.org

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



church center

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College First Interns: Autumn 2026

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Dave Green, Worship

Jon Rupp, Stewardship and Finance

Nate Tice, Outreach and Missions

Alvin Trusty, Connection and Discipleship