

Weekly Update FYI

COLLEGE FIRST
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September 23, 2026

Dear College First family,

Welcome to the first full day of **autumn!**

Get in the Game! Our Kids Ministry keeps growing and you're invited to invest in the next generation. Opportunities include

- Classroom prep
- Photography
- Teaching
- Teaching (substitute)
- Security team
- Monitoring (bodies to make ratios and ensure nobody serves alone)
- Onboarding and administration

Contact Nicky Inman (staff directory at the end of the *FYI*) for details. No lifetime commitment is necessary! You can test drive any role, too.

Singers wanted! Our worship choir is looking for new members. The requirements and serving schedule are changing. See details in today's *FYI*.

Thanks for your **generosity!** Did you know you can give via **Donor Advised Funds** in addition to online, check, PayPal, and cash? Contact Treasurer Jennifer Miller (staff directory at the end of the *FYI*) for details.

Recovery Alive meets Tuesdays at New Life Assembly, beginning with a free dinner at 6 PM. It's for anyone with hurts, habits, or hangups. That's all of us! The global founder, John Eklund, is speaking on October 13. Details are in the *FYI* and discovernewlife.com.

I love you, church family! Have a great week!

Blessings,

Kirk



Sharon Smalley 9/23

Ken Bertke 9/23

Kathy Marquart 9/23

Jaden Petersen 9/23

Mackenzie Kirk 9/23

Sandra Lewis 9/24

R. Doyne Frommer 9/24

Kathleen Alfred 9/26

Mia Rebulloso 9/26

Larry Lynch 9/27

Kelsey Parsell 9/27

Sasha Morford 9/29

Sharon Eckenrode 9/30

Jeff Peterman 9/30

Kirsten Bomholt 9/30

Upcoming Events

9/25: Finally Friday, 6 PM

10/11: Hymn Sing, 6 PM

10/11: Newcomer After Party, after 9AM service

10/13: Senior Fun Dinner, 5:30 PM

10/18: Newcomer After Party, after 10 AM service

10/25: Newcomer After Party, after 11 AM service

TITHES/OFFERINGS....\$16,899.07

ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS....\$119.05

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.



Stay Connected with College First!

The College First app makes it easy to stay up-to-date with ministry events, learn more about small groups, or listen to a previous week's sermon. The app may be downloaded on the App Store and Google Play Store. Search "College First" and stay connected!



What is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of conversations about things we all question in life: Why do bad things happen to good people? What's the purpose of life? What's next?

If you're looking for a judgment-free space to ask hard questions and share your own opinion, there's a place for you.

Alpha Sunday evenings

**September 20 through
November 22**

**Stewart Center,
Room 254**

6:00-7:30 p.m.

**To sign up for or more
details check out:
collegefirst.org/alpha**

Newcomer After Party

For those new to College First:
Learn more about College First and
how to get connected!

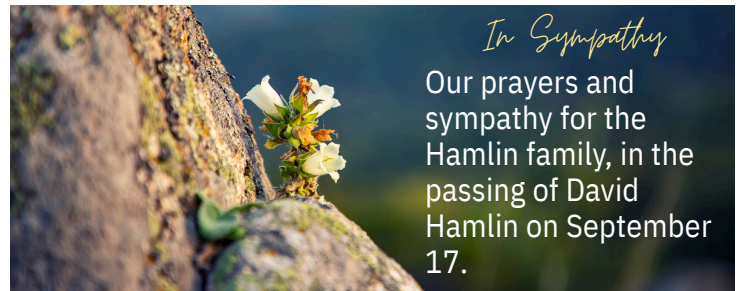


- October 11 after 9:00 service
- October 18 after 10:00 service
- October 25 after 11:00 service



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

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 prayers and sympathy for the Hamlin family, in the passing of David Hamlin on September 17.

A NOTE OF THANKS AND RECOGNITION

Many thanks for the cards and prayers as I recovered from surgery. I so love and appreciate our church family! Again, thank you!
Barb Wanstedt

Our daughter, Tamara (Tami) Kircher, has been awarded the most distinguished alumni award for Findlay High School. She retired from the National Security Agency after 40 years.
Duane and Judy Philipp

BAPTISM

Congratulations to those who were baptized on September 20th! Noah Anders, Briella Fletcher, Fin Kelly, and Seneca Wentz.



An Evening with
John James
Founder and Original Lead Singer of
The Newsboys
A story of hope and second chances
Sunday, September 27th @ 7pm
Stewart Center

JOHN EKLUND

RECOVERY ALIVE FOUNDER

**GIVING HIS STORY OF
LOVE, HOPE, AND
PURSUIT OF GOD**



**TUESDAY OCTOBER 13TH
7PM**

NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

3120 NORCREST ST. FINDLAY OH 45840

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 Pastors and staff 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

College First Hymn Sing
Sunday, October 11
6:00 pm / College First Sanctuary. **Hymn Sing**
Fellowship Time to follow in the church Fellowship Hall

The Apostle Paul encourages us all to "Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts." Our upcoming Hymn Sing will give us an opportunity to do just that when we gather at 6:00 pm on October 11 in the College First sanctuary.

The event will last around an hour which and will provide plenty of time to sing the songs of our faith - old and new - with participation from members of all our worship services. Our evening will conclude with a fellowship time in the fellowship hall. You are welcome to bring some cookies or other dessert to share. Refreshments will be provided for all. Mark your calendars, invite a friend to join you, and plan to be a part of this wonderful evening of great music and fellowship.



Senior Fun
OCTOBER DINER
OCTOBER 13 | 5:30 PM
CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL

Mark your calendars and plan to come to our next Senior Fun Dinner with a side dish, salad or dessert to share. The main course will feature a Taco and Burrito Bar. Drink and table service are also provided.

A special presentation will follow the meal as we look forward to welcome Dr. Richard Ludwick, the new President of the University of Findlay, who is set to share on current happenings on the UF campus.

Please sign up as soon as you can to indicate your planned attendance. Contact Pastor David for any questions you may have or if you are in need of transportation. It will be wonderful to gather together very soon.

See you there!



Our Worship Choir has long been a staple of our sanctuary services and it is planned for that to continue long into the future.

The choir rehearses each Wednesday evening from 7:00 for about an hour to prepare for our Sunday morning sanctuary services. A change for the 26-27 season will see the choir singing only one service each week alternating between the 9:00 and 11:00 services. All teenagers through adult are welcome to sing. No audition is required.

Pastor David Welker is assuming leadership of the choir on an interim basis and you are welcome to contact him at dwelker@collegefirst.org for any questions you may have. Plan to join in the fun and be a part of our Worship Choir today.



IF YOU FIND JESUS - TAKE HIM WITH YOU.



YOUNG ADULT MISSION TRIP

INFORMATION MEETING

October 11 • 8:00 PM • Community Corner Room

AMERICAN SOUTHWEST | May 15–22, 2027

Come learn more about the trip, the mission, what to expect, and how you can be involved.

www.collegefirst.org

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



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Kaelyn Basson

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Olivia Scheibelhoffer