



Message Notes

- I would like help figuring out what to do next in my spiritual journey.
- I/we are interested in learning more about baptism or baby dedication.
- I would like to receive the prayer request emails.
- I would like access to the church directory on the Church Center App.
- Mountain Climbers - **Save some Ice-Cream for me!**
- I/We will be attending the **Church Potluck & Picnic**

IF NEW ATTENDEE (or to *change* your info):

Address:

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Cell Phone:

Spouse Cell:

Email:

Names & birthdays of family members who live with you: (mm/dd/yy)

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Wedding Anniversary Date:

I want to know more about First Church



Welcome to First Church! We are so glad you are here. Feel free to join us in the lobby for prayer every Sunday at 9:30 as we prepare for worship, and help yourself to some free coffee. If you are our guest, stop by our Welcome Center for a gift!

We have a staffed nursery (0-3) or a 'cry room' available where you can still watch and listen to the service.

After worship, kids up to 6th grade will be dismissed to the Action Zone! You can check them into either area prior to the service or during the dismissal time.



In the opening of the book of Jonah, we read: *"The word of the Lord came to Jonah son of Amittai: "Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before me.""*

Like God sent Jonah, the truth is that: God's plan to reach the world is to send His people into the world. As we begin a journey through the book of Jonah, I hope we see ourselves as a sent people, and that God continues to reveal new & creative ways to reach the people around us.

Potluck & Family Picnic



NEXT Sunday, Aug. 24

Lunch @ noon - Fishing derby begins @ 1:00pm
(bring pole & bait)



There will also be kick ball, wiffle ball, and an inflatable waterslide for the kids.

Bring a lawn chair to hang out with the church family as we enjoy the end of Summer and look toward Fall.

Let us know on the Connection Card if you will be attending!



Pulled Pork sandwiches provided.
To sign up to bring food for the potluck, **follow this QR code**, or look for an email with details.

We are also in need of a few volunteers to help with set up/tear down, the meal, and the fishing derby. Visit the Welcome Center for details!

Our Mission: Meeting people where they are...

loving them to where Jesus wants them to be!

08.17.25 - firstchurchdefiance.com - 419.782.0861

Next Week: Jonah 1:17-3:3 - The God of Second Chances



Sign ups will be available next Sunday in the Lobby.

Life Groups begin Sept. 14th

Sunday Groups

Wednesday Groups

- "A Better Us" - Marriage
- Discipleship
- Overcoming Worry & Fear
- Philippians
- Ruthless Elimination of Hurry
- Sermon Deep Dive

- Biblical Israel - Genesis
- From Brokenness to Healing
- Grief Share
- Precept study of Matthew
- Rooted



Thursday Group

- Don't give the enemy a seat at your table.

Life groups are a great way to connect with others in the church and study God's Word together. Make sure that you get signed up to be a part of at least one of these small groups!

For more info. about each group, visit the "groups" tab on the Church Center App & click on Life Groups.

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Seminar - Sept. 3rd at 6:30pm

At this free seminar you will learn important information about the funeral industry so that you can become an educated and informed consumer of funeral services. This information will protect your family from the high costs of funerals while arranging for a better funeral experience for your family.

This is a no cost, no obligation informational seminar

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NOTABLE UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 21st Mountain Climbers

Aug. 23rd Adopt-A-Hwy Cleanup

Aug. 24th Church Potluck & Fishing Derby

Sept. 3rd Church Funeral Direct



The next Mountain Climbers event is **Thursday, Aug. 21st at 5:30 in the Summit.** This month will not only be a great time of fellowship... but there will be **ICE-CREAM!**

August 23rd
9:00 - 10:00 am

If you can come and help for about an hour, please let Mike know in the church office.



Jerry & Lynn Fensler
Aug. 22 (60 yrs.)

Bill & Barb VanHouten
Aug. 22 (33 yrs.)

Doug & Sharon Michaelis
Aug. 24 (51 yrs.)

Connect with our team:

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Youth Leadership Team
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Amanda Mock - Children's Director
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Mike Baxter - Office Admin
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Weekly Prayer Guide:

Please Pray for:

- Joe Borgelt; Julie Bowers;
- Jon & Amanda Bose and family;
- Nathan & Krystal Bowers and family;
- Annika Bowers; Delaney Bowers;
- Julie Branham; Marv & Shellie Brown;
- Trina Buettner; Leah Bunke; Barbara Bush;
- Shaun & Alexandria Bussing and family

We Believe in the power of *Prayer*

August 10 STATS		
Adult Worship		151
Kids & Action Zone (nursery)		21
Total Attendance		172
Sunday Offering	\$	3,419.00
Online Giving	\$	1,056.55
Agape	\$	135.86
Memorial Fund	\$	0.00
TOTAL GIVING		4,611.41

CONNECTION CARD

Today's Date _____

Name _____

I/We are first time guests or recently started attending.

I/we are regular attendees. (let us know you are here!)

Prayer: Praises and Petitions

Please share my prayer request **only with the pastors.**

My Decision Today:

- I'm committing my life to Christ
- I'm renewing my commitment to Christ

***Please use the back of this form to provide and update contact information.**

This form can be placed in the drop-boxes by the worship center doors, or taken to the Welcome Center for a **free gift!**