



# *First Church*

OF NEW KNOXVILLE

Rooted in Christ, Growing Together, Serving the World

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First Church recognizes Jesus Christ  
as the head of the Church and as Savior and Lord.

We are a community of faith who engage Biblical truth  
to provide an environment where people mature  
as disciples of Christ.

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Dave Bambauer, Lay Leader  
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Sharon Colson, Scripture Reader  
Maria Lammers, Children's Chat

## ***If you are a Guest or Visitor today, we are glad you're here!***

- **The Restrooms** are in the basement at the East end of the church and inside the main glass doors of the ministry building next door.
- **The Nursery for Young Children** is OPEN!
- **Large Print bulletins** are available at the back of the sanctuary near the info center.
- **Hearing Assistance Devices** – Please see the sound system technician on the South wall if you would like to use one.
- **WiFi Connection is available** for those who wish to use their device to connect to the Bible app or take notes. Connect via “FirstChurchWifi Guest”
- **Our Worship Service** is broadcast each Sunday on T-102 FM at 10:15a
- **Facebook Live** - We continue streaming our service live via our Facebook page “firstchurchnk” at 9:00 am on Sundays.
- **Visit our Website** at [www.firstchurchnk.org](http://www.firstchurchnk.org) for a link to our YouTube page.
- **The \* invites those who are able, to rise.**

## ***Welcome to Worship at First Church***

### **Welcome & Prelude**

#### **\*Call to Worship** from Psalm 19

One: <sup>1</sup> *The heavens declare the glory of God;  
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.*

All: <sup>2</sup> ***Day after day they pour forth speech;  
night after night they reveal knowledge.***

One: <sup>3</sup> *They have no speech, they use no words;  
no sound is heard from them.*

<sup>4</sup> *Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,  
their words to the ends of the world.*

*In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.*

<sup>5</sup> *It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber,  
like a champion rejoicing to run his course.*

<sup>6</sup> *It rises at one end of the heavens  
and makes its circuit to the other;  
nothing is deprived of its warmth.*

**All:** <sup>7</sup> *The law of the Lord is perfect,  
refreshing the soul.*

*The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy,  
making wise the simple.*

**One:** <sup>8</sup> *The precepts of the Lord are right,  
giving joy to the heart.*

*The commands of the Lord are radiant,  
giving light to the eyes.*

**All:** <sup>9</sup> *The fear of the Lord is pure,  
enduring forever.*

*The decrees of the Lord are firm,  
and all of them are righteous.*

**One:** <sup>10</sup> *They are more precious than gold,  
than much pure gold;*

*they are sweeter than honey,  
than honey from the honeycomb.*

**All:** <sup>11</sup> *By them your servant is warned;  
in keeping them there is great reward.*

<sup>12</sup> *But who can discern their own errors?  
Forgive my hidden faults.*

<sup>13</sup> *Keep your servant also from willful sins;  
may they not rule over me.*

*Then I will be blameless,  
innocent of great transgression.*

<sup>14</sup> *May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my  
heart be pleasing in your sight,  
Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.*

**\*Hymn No. 58 – This Is My Father’s World**

**Children’s Chat**

**Operation Christmas Child**

## Prayer & The Lord's Prayer [using debts and debtors]

\*Hymn No. 271 – Standing on the Promises

### Scripture Readings

*Proverbs 3:13-18*

<sup>13</sup> *Blessed are those who find wisdom,  
those who gain understanding,*

<sup>14</sup> *for she is more profitable than silver  
and yields better returns than gold.*

<sup>15</sup> *She is more precious than rubies;  
nothing you desire can compare with her.*

<sup>16</sup> *Long life is in her right hand;  
in her left hand are riches and honor.*

<sup>17</sup> *Her ways are pleasant ways,  
and all her paths are peace.*

<sup>18</sup> *She is a tree of life to those who take hold of her;  
those who hold her fast will be blessed.*

*Proverbs 30:7-9*

<sup>7</sup> *“Two things I ask of you, Lord;  
do not refuse me before I die:*

<sup>8</sup> *Keep falsehood and lies far from me;  
give me neither poverty nor riches,  
but give me only my daily bread.*

<sup>9</sup> *Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you  
and say, ‘Who is the Lord?’*

*Or I may become poor and steal,  
and so dishonor the name of my God.*

**Message – Wisdom and Wealth**

\*Hymn No. 455 – Come, All Christians, Be Committed

\*Blessing & Postlude

## Welcome to Worship

**We are glad you are here!** - Whether you are joining us in person or choose to continue worshipping with us by the radio broadcast or Facebook Live we are glad to have you joining us. Each person, family, and situation is unique. Some people are ready to come back to church, while others may feel more comfortable worshipping from home for a while longer. Both options are perfectly valid. You need to decide what is right for you and your family, and First Church will do everything we can to minister to you either way. We are a family. We must respect and honor each other's decisions. We are all in this together.

- Masks are required in the State of Ohio in indoor public spaces. They are available at the entrances. Exemptions are made for children under ten years of age and people with medical conditions that prevent them from wearing a mask.
- All surfaces in the church will be disinfected and cleaned weekly.
- Everyone will be encouraged to follow social distancing practices.
- Families should sit together and keep distance from others.
- Hand sanitizer is available at the entrances

**The Nursery is Open.** Thank you to all the volunteers who care for our children during the worship service. It really is a vital ministry for our church family. We are taking the following changes and safety precautions to help ensure the health of our children and volunteers.

- When you drop off your child, please check in with the nursery volunteer. We will be keeping track of attendance and parental contact information on an iPad app.
- Please take off shoes and leave them on the bookshelf at the door.
- Please either wash your child's hands in the bathroom before dropping them off or use the hand sanitizer available in the nursery.
- Nursery volunteers will wear face coverings while interacting with children. Children are not required to wear face coverings.
- All toys, tables, and chairs will be sanitized each week.
- Please do not bring your child to the nursery if they have had a fever in the last 24 hours.

## Announcements

**October is Pastor Appreciation Month!!** We are blessed to have great pastors here at First Church! Our Pastor and Youth Pastor are on call 24/7 and spend time with us during our best and our most difficult moments in life. Please take a moment to thank both Pastor Joel and Pastor Tory AND the loved ones in their lives who also serve in ministry through their support, love and sacrifice. *Thank you Pastor Joel & Alie and Pastor Tory & Jake.*

**We Welcome our Guest Musician** Katie Brautigam. Katie is the Celina Intermediate Music Teacher and Choir Director. She and her husband Sam, a teacher at Anna Schools, live in New Bremen. They have two children, Lily and Grant who are both attending ONU this fall.

**The Flowers on the Altar** are in honor of Dorothy Prueter, who will be 97 on October 15<sup>th</sup>. *Happy Birthday Dorothy!*

**The Rose on the Altar** is in honor of Larry & Karen Niemeyer who will celebrate 55 years of marriage on Friday, October 23. *Happy Anniversary!*

**Today's Offering is for the Radio Ministry.** The Deacons will be at the doors after service today to receive your offering. You may also take advantage of online giving or by mailing your gift to the church.

**Meeting Reminders:** Spiritual Council will meet on Monday, October 19 at 6:30 pm in the Ministry Center conference room. The Trustees meet at 7 pm in the Ministry Center big room followed by all of consistory at 7:30 pm.

**October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month.** In honor of domestic violence victims and survivors and to bring awareness, the Auglaize County Crisis Center's Quilt of Hope is traveling amongst churches throughout Auglaize County. Each quilt square was designed by a survivor of domestic violence and/or their children to represent what hope means to them. The Quilt of Hope is here at First Church today. Stop by the heritage room and see it. The blue jug will be also be out for those who wish to support the Auglaize County Crisis Center.

**There will be no Prophecy in the Bible** class in the ministry center today. That class will resume next Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.

**The Tuesday morning Bible study group** meets at 9 am in the Ministry Center youth room.



### **Operation Christmas Child is Underway!**

Celebration Sunday, November 15, for OCC will be here before we know it, and everyone is encouraged to **PACK SHOEBOXES!** Operation Christmas Child is a ministry that everyone can be involved in. Keep in mind that every

child that receives a Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoebox also receives the opportunity to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior by being involved in the 12 week discipleship lessons of "The Greatest Journey".

I am thankful to have an area in the church this year that serves as the collection center for shoebox packing items. Instead of having a packing party, this year I encourage you to visit the OCC room (upstairs above the elevator at the east corner of the church) to pack boxes as you wish. You can do so on Sunday mornings from 8:30 to 11:30 am or Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Throughout the next six weeks I will be visiting the Pre-K to 6th grade Sunday school classes and the youth group to share OCC.

*Donations of bar soaps, wash cloths, toothbrushes, pencil sharpeners and underwear & socks for all ages are especially needed.* In addition, your donation of flashlights, musical instruments, bandanas, sunglasses, hand tools, children's band-aids, nail clipper sets, disposable razors, mirror compacts, and sewing kits is deeply appreciated.

There are many ways to be involved! Pray for OCC and the children who receive boxes, pack a shoebox of your own or one we can provide (shoeboxes are available at the entrances), donate items, donate financially for items or postage, or come help pack boxes.

*Your OCC Project Leader, Sharon Colson. 419-733-4566*

**SERRV items for sale** – SERRV is a nonprofit organization dedicated to fighting global poverty through fair & ethical trade. Contact Anita Lukac 753-2037 or Barb Niemeyer 753-2990 to see a catalog or place an order. You may also see what items are available to purchase by going to SERRV's website: [www.serrv.org](http://www.serrv.org). The order deadline is Sunday, October 18.

**Online Giving through “My First Church”** – My First Church provides you with 24/7 access to online giving and your giving history. Create a secure log in through the link on our website. Creating an account allows you to submit changes to your personal information, view your giving history, set up online giving (one time or recurring, view the church directory and download the Church Life Mobile App. How do I sign up? Go to our website [www.firstchurchnk.org](http://www.firstchurchnk.org) & click on “Online Giving”. You can also give as a guest without creating an account.

**The Agape One Warm Coat Drive** - Needed are clean, gently used men’s, women’s and especially children’s coats. New coats are gladly accepted should you want to purchase a new coat for a child or adult.

**Trunk or Treat on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 7:30 pm** - First Church will be having its third annual Trunk or Treat event in the parking lot! Everyone is invited to fill their trunk with candy and park in our lot to greet the kids on their community trick or treat route. Decorate your vehicle and wear a fun costume.

**Volunteers Needed** to help with the Facebook Live broadcast of our weekly service. We began broadcasting live during the pandemic and many have asked that we continue to do so. We would like to have 4 to 6 people who can take turns. Please talk to Pastor Joel, Jake Breitigan or Connie Schroer to ask questions or come upstairs and observe on a Sunday morning.



## This Week at First Church – October 18 - 25

### **TODAY**

8:00 am	Men's Prayer Group - Min. Ctr. Youth Room
8:30-11:30 am	Shoebox Packing – Top floor above the elevator
9:00 am	Worship Service
10:15 am	Sunday School for 4 y.o. to Grade 6
10:15 am	Confirmation – Min. Ctr. Youth Room / Conf. Room
3:00 pm	Jr. / Sr. High Youth Bible Study at D & J Bambauer's

### **MON.**

6:30 pm	Spiritual Council Meeting
7:00 pm	Trustees Meeting
7:30 pm	Consistory Meeting

### **TUES.**

9:00 am	Morning Bible Study Class – Min. Ctr. Youth Room
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### **WED.**

6:30-8:30 pm	Shoebox Packing – Top floor above the elevator
7:00 pm	Jr. / Sr. High Youth Group – Min. Ctr. Youth Room

### **NEXT SUN.**

8:00 am	Men's Prayer Group - Min. Ctr. Youth Room
8:30-11:30 am	Shoebox Packing – Top floor above the elevator
9:00 am	Worship Service
10:15 am	Sunday School for 4 y.o. to Grade 6
10:15 am	Confirmation – Min. Ctr. Youth Room / Conf. Room
10:15 am	Adult Bible Study Class on Prophecy – Min. Ctr. Big Rm.
3:00 pm	Jr. / Sr. High Youth Bible Study at D & J Bambauer's

### **Facts & Figures from last week**

Online Giving for the week– \$1,302.00

## Weekly Prayer List

**Bulletin Prayer List** – Our prayer is new each Sunday. Names will stay in the bulletin for one week only. Each week we will start over with a new list. You may call the office with a name, drop your request in the offering plate or submit it via our website via the “contact us” link. We hope this will keep the weekly list current and focused. Please remember we are bound by privacy laws and cannot post personal or medical information so names only.

**Prayer List for the Week of October 18** – The Family of Rosie McClurg, Crystal Miller, Larry Henschen, Lynda Katterheinrich, Richard Maurer, Peg DuBois, Bob Alexander, Gary Katterheinrich, Dan Metzger and Operation Christmas Child.

## Scripture Reading Plan



**OCTOBER SCRIPTURE READING PLAN**

<u>Week 1</u>	<u>Week 3</u>	<u>Week 4</u>
1: Proverbs 10	12: Proverbs 17	19: Proverbs 22
2: Proverbs 11	13: Proverbs 18	20: Proverbs 23
<u>Week 2</u>	14: Proverbs 19	21: Proverbs 24
5: Proverbs 12	15: Proverbs 20	22: Proverbs 25
6: Proverbs 13	16: Proverbs 21	23: Proverbs 26
7: Proverbs 14		<u>Week 5</u>
8: Proverbs 15		26: Proverbs 27
9: Proverbs 16		27: Proverbs 28
		28: Proverbs 29
		29: Proverbs 30
		30: Proverbs 31

# Notes & Doodles