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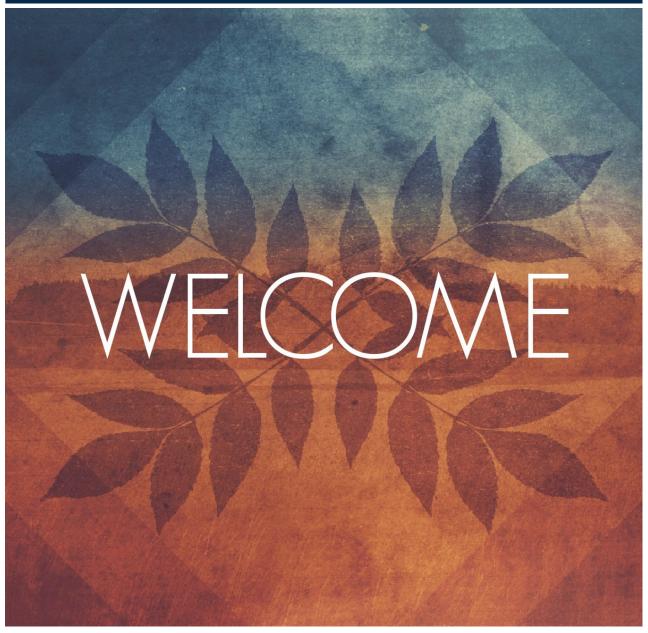
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November 2, 2025





We Are Connected: The Church and Fellowship in Christ

The Church was never meant to be a collection of isolated believers. From the very beginning, God designed His people to live in **connection, community, and fellowship**. Just as the body cannot function if its parts are separated, so the Church cannot thrive unless its members are united in love, purpose, and faith.

The apostle Paul reminds us of this powerful truth:

"For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others."

— Romans 12:4-5 (NIV)

Each believer plays a unique and essential role in the body of Christ. No one is insignificant, and no one is self-sufficient. We belong to each other because we all belong to Him. Our connection is not merely social—it's spiritual, rooted in Christ's sacrifice and sealed by the Holy Spirit.

The early Church modeled this beautifully.

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer."

— Acts 2:42 (NIV)

Their faith was not a private matter. They gathered, shared, prayed, and supported one another daily. Their unity drew others to Christ because it reflected His love. Fellowship is not optional—it's essential to spiritual growth and encouragement.

John also writes about the depth of this connection:

"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin."

- 1 John 1:7 (NIV)

Our fellowship flows from our shared relationship with Jesus. As we walk in His light, we find deeper unity with one another. The more we draw near to Christ, the closer we become as His Church.

So let us make every effort to **build and protect the fellowship of believers**—to encourage one another, pray for one another, and serve side by side. The Church is not a building; it's a family. And together, we show the world what it means to belong to Christ.

Let us take this great opportunity with our Connection Groups to get to know one another and show the world our love for Christ.

- Mike Hallabrin

MARK YOUR CALENDARS—Our week of Church Camp will be June 13—20, 2026!—MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Bible Hour and Junior Worship are offered at the 2nd service.

FOR THE RECORD - October 26, 2025

BIBLE CLASSn/a	WEDNESDAY73
SUNDAY AM230	CONTRIBUTION\$5,241.00
LIFE GROUPS87	BUDGET\$7,250.00



WE REJOICE with the angels in heaven that Dylan Kelley was baptized into Christ last Sunday. Dylan is the husband of Courtney (Rengert) Kelley.

INVITATION LEADERS—Men or boys who are willing to give a 5 min. invitation talk on a Wednesday night in November—December, are asked to please sign up in the foyer.

SONG LEADERS—We need song leaders willing to lead at the 1st Service on Sunday, November 9 or 16. Contact the office if you can fill in.

THE BUILDING WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, TUESDAY, AND WEDNESDAY FOR THE ELECTION.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY—This Thursday, all men are invited to a Bible Study at Panera Bread at 7:30 AM.

FAMILY IN NEED—The family of Jenny Pasco's grandson is in need of a few items: Queen size bed frame, an electric stove, kitchen items, girls' clothing size 10, and boys' clothing size 5. If you have any of these items you would be willing to donate, please see Keith or Jeannie Rogers.

Pick up a November Prayer List in the Foyer!



BRING A SACK SUNDAY—Our annual Bring a Sack Sunday to restock our Emergency Pantry located in the Outreach Center will be held **next Sunday**. See the list below for needed items:

Instant Rice
Instant Mashed Potatoes
Boxed or Pouched Sides
Cornbread Mix
Bisquick Baking Mix
Pancake Syrup
Cereal
Grab and Go Breakfast

Peanut Butter & Jelly Pasta & Sauce Canned Vegetables Canned Fruit Canned Meat Canned Soup Canned Pasta Ramen Noodles

AMAZING GRAYS—The senior group will meet on Tuesday, November 11, at 11:30 AM at Berwick Pizza in Green Camp. Sign up in the foyer!

CARD SHOWER—Geneva Watt will be turning 100 years old on Friday, November 14. Send her a card as she celebrates this milestone! You can find her address in the church directory.

FOOD GIVEAWAY TICKETS—Appointment tickets for the Giveaway on Saturday, November 22, will be available to pick up Monday, November 17, from 10:00 AM to Noon, Tuesday, November 18, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, and Wednesday, November 19, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. **Tickets are only available while they last.**