

# Athens Christian Church

For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people.

Titus 2:11

VERSE of the WEEK

November 28, 2021

8:00, 9:15, 10:30 am  
9:15 Sunday School

### Welcome Guests

If this is your first time at Athens Christian Church, thank you for joining us! We'd like to stay in touch, so please complete a visitor card while you are here today and place it in the offering plate. If you would like to receive our monthly church newsletter electronically, please include your email on the visitor card.

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today! During our service, the Lord's Supper is open to all believers. Please make yourself at home. We invite you to stop by our foyer on your way out for a complimentary Bible. We hope to see you again next week!

Every member is a minister here at ACC!  
Please call on us when we can help:

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### 8am Traditional Services

Prelude • Dick Bachman

Call to Worship

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God* #118 (v. 1-4)

*Come, Thou Almighty King* #341 (v. 1-4)

Prayer Requests & Praises • Ken Gennicks

*Abide With Me* • Prayer Hymn #500 (v. 1, 3, 5)

Sermon • Blake Canterbury  
"The Gospel According to Paul:  
The Purpose of His Redeemed"  
Titus 2:1-15

*Victory in Jesus* • Invitation Hymn #82

Announcements Video

*God Be With You 'Til We Meet Again*  
Communion & Offering Hymn #523 (v. 1, 4)

Communion & Offering Meditation • Shane Baker

Quietly move to Communion & Offering tables before exiting.

### 9:15am, 10:30am Contemporary Service

*Joy* (Housefires)

Welcome

*Living Hope*  
*Another in the Fire*

Sermon • Blake Canterbury  
"The Gospel According to Paul:  
The Purpose of His Redeemed"  
Titus 2:1-15

Invitation Song • *Yes I Will*  
*See a Victory*

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### Sermon Notes

"The Gospel According to Paul:  
The Purpose of His Redeemed"  
Titus 2:1-15

"You are redeemed with a purpose."

- \_\_\_\_\_ the Redeeming Work of Jesus Christ. (v.11, 14a)
- \_\_\_\_\_ the Redeeming Work of Jesus Christ. (v.1-10, 12-13, 14b)
- \_\_\_\_\_ the Redeeming Work of Jesus Christ. (v.7-8, 10, 14c)

"Not only have you been redeemed by Jesus Christ, but you have been redeemed and empowered to be disciplined and to make disciples."

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### FROM OUR CHURCH LEADERS

The New Testament church selected spiritual men among the congregation to serve, shepherd, and oversee the church family as "elders". (Titus 1:5-11; Acts 20:17-18, 28-30; I Tim. 3:1-7, 5:17-20; I Peter 5:1-4; Eph. 4:11-13; I Thess. 5:11-14 and Heb. 3:7, 17). Our current leadership team of elders and ministers would like to present Jack Brown as nominee for elder for your prayers and consideration. Jack (wife, Donna) has worked as an elder for us in the past.

We invite you to contact us with any thoughts, input or concerns, in writing with your name, regarding Jack joining our leadership team.

Also, after the first of the year, ACC will pursue and invite resumes for a full-time Youth Minister. We know the teenagers of our region need this. We greatly appreciate Tyler Basso, our current part-time Youth Minister, and we have assured him that he will be welcome to apply for the ministry full-time if the Lord puts it on his heart to do so. Please pray with us as we seek God's will together, staying in step with His Spirit as He leads.

Doug Wendler, Curt Reichling, Jeremy McDaniel,  
Ken Gennicks, Lorna Baker, Shane Baker, Gary Frank

### Prayer Requests

**At Memorial:** Tanya Kincaid, Dick Briggs

**At St. Louis hospital:** Mary Roszhart's cousin

**At Florida hospital:** Heather Parks' dad (ICU)

**Tests:** Ryann Farrell, Katie Earl, Jackie Kelley (Barb Snow's sister), Jim Guthrie, Marcia Becker, Al Betz, Steve Wunderle, Madison Austin (15th/St. Louis), Mason McCormick, Randi Gennicks, Sandra Taylor, Ashlee Coffmann (Pat Basso's friend), Curt Reichling's mom (cancer), Arlene Stromberg, Denzil Howard (Mary Roszhart's brother)

**At home:** Elijah Staab, Brian Setzer, Glen/Roberta Clark, Ella Grace Magee, Josh Purcell, Jerry Basso, Vivian Rankin, Rhonda Leinberger, Debbie Richardson's dad, Karel Howard's great-niece, Madison Ellsworth, Robert Bollman, Tom Novy, Charlie Nance, Rachel Bounds' mom, Michelle Lucas' dad, Nancy Rudolph's granddaughter, Jodi Peacock's mom, Gary Biggs' sister

**Touched by death:** Debbie Rohlf's family, Trina Good's family (mother passed away), Betty Dowell family, Edith Kanouff family (Dennis Dixon's mom/Haley and Patrick Dixon's grandma)

**Transitions:** Sara Melton's brother, Clay Alderman/ Michael Ray/ Everett Shuck (military), Jack Kelley (Heritage), Beverly Hall/Bob Clemens (LMCV), Wanda Davis (Sunny Acres), Fran Adolphson (Cedarhurst), Shirley Wasilewski's nephew, David Glick (Jake's dad/Regency/therapy), Michael Kruger (Dawn Medley's son/Dec. 7 court date)

**Angel Trees:** till Dec. 15

**GriefShare:** Wednesday, Jan. 19-Apr, 13

**Financial Peace University:** Wed., Jan 19-Mar 30

**Church Leaders/Volunteers Conf.:** Sat., Feb. 19/LCU

**Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Day:** Sat., Mar. 19

**VBS:** June 6-10, 6-8:00 pm

**Christ in Youth Conf.:** July 11-15, Gr. 8-12/Lincoln, NE

**Blake Canterbury:** [facebook.com/monroechurchplant](https://facebook.com/monroechurchplant)

**Kyle Gennicks:** [missionchurchmontgomery.org](https://missionchurchmontgomery.org)


**Pursuit of Full-time Youth Minister**

**Capital Stewardship Campaign:** *Run The Race* (2020-2022)

**Our missionaries/military/families/terrorism/economy**  
**Each other/unspoken needs**




# ACC Kids' CORNER




Paul instructed Titus to give different messages to different groups of people.

Match the shapes to connect the instruction to the groups of people.

encourage and rebuke	older men
be reverent in the way they live	older women
be kind	younger men
be sound in faith	slaves
be fully trusted	younger women
be self-controlled	Titus to everyone


 We have very exciting news to share about the ACC Kids C.L.U.B.! Over the past 6 months, we have been growing on Wednesday Nights and Sunday mornings! We are averaging 60 kids on Sunday mornings and 50 on Wednesday nights! We are praising God as the kids in these programs are learning more about Jesus, how to worship, and how to serve! The past few weeks they have made crafts and mailed them to 50 of our church friends who have a harder time getting out. The kids loved it and keep asking what else we can do for them, so we are working on some things!

All of this growth and excitement is leaving us with growing pains in the kids wing. We need to fill our current Kids Club volunteer schedule, so we can begin adding classes at our 10:30 service! We need 7 more people to fill our current schedule, which needs 52 volunteers a month! When we meet that need, we hope to offer classes for birth-Kindergarten at 10:30; and eventually expand to our 1st-6th graders. Will you pray for God to provide more workers who will serve one time a month? Will you ask God if He could use you to play with the kids, help them be good listeners, and be a volunteer in the ACC Kids C.L.U.B.? Contact Lorna Baker for more information about opportunities to serve.



*THANK YOU* to everyone who generously donated so much food last Sunday for our Food Pantry! And special THANKS to Austin Montgomery, Sam Montgomery, and Les Carter for receiving all the donated food and getting it all to our Food Pantry! Bless you, men! *"For I was hungry and you gave Me something to eat"* (Matthew 25:35)! God must be smiling! Thank you all so much!

*All jr. high & high school!*

Join us for a fun night of painting as we

**PAINT-A-LONG WITH BOB ROSS!!**

Sunday, November 28th, 6:00-8:30 pm

Sign up by November 24th on app or website!!!



**JINGLE & MINGLE FAMILY CHRISTMAS FUN!**

*Wednesday, December 1st*

**6:00 PM FAMILY DINNER**

*Pizza, chips, and a cookie*

**6:30 - 7:30 PM FAMILY FUN**

*Learn how we can "Jingle for Jesus" as we mingle to stations with fun games, crafts, and the Christmas story!*

**PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE CHURCH APP OR WWW.ATHENSCHRISTIAN.NET**





*Hanging of the Greens*


**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2021**

**3PM - ADULTS ONLY TO UNLOAD THE SHED**

**6PM - FAMILIES WELCOME TO DECORATE**

*Please sign up in the lobby*

## Christmas in the Chapel at Lincoln Christian University




December 2 at 7:00 pm

December 3 at 7:00 pm

December 4 at 10:00 am, 2:30 pm & 7:00 pm

December 5 at 2:30 pm

visit [lincolnchristian.edu](http://lincolnchristian.edu) for ticket information





**Vespers at Milliken University • This Sat., Dec. 4**

Meet in the church parking lot at noon. Tickets have been ordered. Please pay for your ticket with a check made out to ACC. We will stop at the Springfield Cracker Barrel following the concert.

**Young at Heart • Tues., Dec. 14 • 9:30/10:00 am**

Blood pressure checks begin at 9:30. At 10:00, we will enjoy a musical performance by the Athens School choirs. Following the concert, Shane Baker will share a devotion before we sit down for a free luncheon of ham, potato salad, mixed veggies and rolls catered by County Market. Please be sure to sign up in the church lobby .



*christmas* **COFFEE & PASTRIES**

*(complimentary)*

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH**

**8:30 - 11:00 AM**

*everyone is welcome to join us in the ACC family life center*



*ACC invites you and yours to Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion*

**2:00PM 3:00PM 4:00PM 5:00PM 6:00PM**

**Celebrate Christmas Eve with candlelight, music, and a devotion during each 30-minute service.**



**Today & This Week**

**TODAY, November 28, 2021**

**Guest Speaker, Blake Canterbury**

7:30 am Prayer with the Pastors/Everyone is welcome

8:00 am Traditional Worship (nursery for birth-3 yrs.)

9:15 am Contemporary Worship Services

9:15-10:15 am Sunday School for all ages

- ADULT CLASSES INCLUDE:
  - The Ambassadors, led by Dan Haynes (Rm. 105)
  - Kingdom Seekers, led by Gary Frank (Youth Rm)
  - Christian Living, led by Harry Schirding & Doug Wendler - Andy Stanley study: *"When God?"*
  - Philippians: Who, What, When, Where, Why (and How), led by Anthony Bolton (Rm. 220/221)
- Jr. High/High School, led by Tyler Basso (Rm. 112)
- Kids c.l.u.b. for 4 years-K, 1st-3rd gr., 4th-6th gr. (childcare available for Birth-1 year & 2 years-3 years)

10:30 am Contemporary Worship (nursery for birth-3 yrs.)

4:00 Elders' Meeting

6:00 Bob Ross Paint-A-Long for Jr./Sr. High (FLC)

**Monday, November 29**

Read 2 John

6:00am Men's Group...*all men should join us!* (Rm. 105)

3:00 Adults to move Christmas decorations from shed

6:00 Hanging of the Greens - Everyone is invited to help decorate the church for Christmas

**Tuesday, November 30**

Read 3 John

8:00 Men's Bible Study (FLC)

6:30 AA Meeting (Rm. 203)

**Wednesday, December 1**

Read Jude

6:00 Jingle & Mingle Family Christmas Fun (FLC)

6:30 GriefShare (Room 112)

**Thursday, December 2**

Read Revelation 1

7:00 Christmas in the Chapel at Lincoln Christian University

**Friday, December 3**

Read Revelation 2

*Church office closed*

7:00 Christmas in the Chapel at Lincoln Christian University

**Saturday, December 4**

10:00 Christmas in the Chapel at Lincoln Christian University

12:00 Seniors leave for Vespers Concert/Cracker Barrel

2:30/7:00 Christmas in the Chapel at LCU

**Sunday, December 5**

7:30 am Prayer with the Pastors

8:00 am Traditional Worship Service

9:15, 10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

9:15-10:15 am Sunday School for all Ages

2:30 Christmas in the Chapel at Lincoln Christian University