



First Church

OF NEW KNOXVILLE

Rooted in Christ, Growing in Christ, Serving Christ.

**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.**

April 26, 2026

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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 Center next door.
- **The Nursery for Young Children** is located in the basement.
- **Large Print bulletins** are available at the back of the sanctuary at the info center.
- **Children's Activity Items** are available at the info center near the back of the sanctuary.
- **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 Sundays on T-102 FM at 10:15am
- **YouTube Livestream** - We stream our service live via our YouTube page @firstchurchofnewknoxville1014 at 9:00 am on Sundays.
- **Music** used with permission. CCLI License# 2403283
- **The * invites** those who are able to please rise.

Welcome to Worship at First Church

Announcements & Greeting Time

***Call to Worship** from Psalm 115

All: ¹ **Not to us, Lord, not to us
 but to your name be the glory,
 because of your love and faithfulness.**

One: ² Why do the nations say,
 "Where is their God?"

³ Our God is in heaven;
 he does whatever pleases him.

⁴ But their idols are silver and gold,
 made by human hands.

⁵ They have mouths, but cannot speak,
 eyes, but cannot see.

⁶ They have ears, but cannot hear,
 noses, but cannot smell.

⁷ They have hands, but cannot feel,
 feet, but cannot walk,
 nor can they utter a sound with their throats.

⁸ Those who make them will be like them,
 and so will all who trust in them.

- ⁹ All you Israelites, trust in the Lord—
he is their help and shield.
- ¹⁰ House of Aaron, trust in the Lord—
he is their help and shield.
- ¹¹ You who fear him, trust in the Lord—
he is their help and shield.
- ¹² The Lord remembers us and will bless us:
He will bless his people Israel,
he will bless the house of Aaron,
¹³ he will bless those who fear the Lord—
small and great alike.
- ¹⁴ May the Lord cause you to flourish,
both you and your children.
- ¹⁵ May you be blessed by the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.
- ¹⁶ The highest heavens belong to the Lord,
but the earth he has given to mankind.

All: ¹⁷ **It is not the dead who praise the Lord,
those who go down to the place of silence;
¹⁸ it is we who extol the Lord,
both now and forevermore.
Praise the Lord.**

Hymn No. 66 – To God Be the Glory

Hymn No. 345 – Blessed Assurance

The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Children's Chat

Worship / Giving Back to God

Offering: WBCL

Offertory Hymn No. 473: Victory in Jesus

Offertory Hymn: No. 625 Doxology

***Scripture Reading** – Psalm 121

(Page 616 in the pew Bible)

Message – The Lord is Our Protector

***Benediction & Dismissal**

Announcements

Prayer List – Larry Longworth, Kevin Kruse, Jane Novean, Joann Kuck, Dick Elsass, Ted Lammers, Noah Hoelscher, Ken Cline, Bob Snyder, Serra Pax, Robert Engel, Matthew Anspach, Diane Fledderjohann, Greg Metzger, Holly Brown, Sandy Hoelscher, Linda Kuck, Joann Feldwisch, Betty Kiefer, and Crystal Miller.

Interested in membership at First Church? Pastor Joel is currently offering a two-week membership class, and we would love for you to join. **Today is the final class at 5:00pm in the Youth Room.**

The class will cover an overview of our church's history, structure, and beliefs. He will also discuss the requirements and expectations of membership. After the class, those interested will have the opportunity to join First Church during a future worship service.

If you are considering membership, this is a great next step! Please contact Pastor Joel to learn more about what it means to be a member of First Church. We look forward to warmly welcoming you into our church family!

Project Safe Return – Members of First Church are invited to attend a prayer vigil for our military, their families, and for world peace. The vigil will be held on Sunday, April 26 at 6:30 PM at Cross Oak Camp and Retreat Center (272 Jack Oak Point Road, St. Marys, OH 45885). Mark Burd and ReviveOHIO will lead a time of prayer and praise.



Mother's Day Sunday School Programs – Parents & Grandparents, please join us for a special Mother's Day program on May 3rd and 10th. Below is this year's classroom schedule:

May 3 – pre-K classroom and Kindergarten/1st grade classroom
May 10 - pre-K, Kindergarten/1st grade, and 2nd/3rd grade classrooms

Last Day of Sunday School – May 17th is the last scheduled say for Sunday School until the fall.

Cards & Care – Larry Longworth is a patient at Celina Manor. If you would like to send him a note or card of encouragement you can do so at Celina Manor, Larry Longworth – Room 58, 1001 Meyers Rd., Celina, OH 45822

VBS Needs – We are less than two months away! We cannot wait to spend the week teaching the kids in our community about Jesus. We need your help to make VBS possible. We are looking for teachers in the following classes: pre-K and 2nd Grade. Please let Tory Breitigan or Maria Kaiser know if you can fill one of these spots.



VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Scan the QR Code to register your kids online!



NK COMMUNITY VBS
JUNE 1-5 FROM 9-11:45AM.

This Week at First Church –April 26 to May 3

SUNDAY

- 8:00 am Men's Prayer Group - Min. Ctr. Youth Room
8:00 am Sunday Morning Prayer – Min. Ctr. Conference Room
9:00 am Morning Worship
10:15 am Adult Sunday School – in Social Room led by Pastor Joel
10:15 am Adult Sunday School – in Youth Room led by Stan R.
10:15 am Sunday School – Age 3 to 6th Grade

TUESDAY

- 9:00 am Bible Study (The Bible Recap)– Youth Room
7:00 pm Women's Bible Study (The Bible Recap)– Youth Room

SATURDAY

- 9:30am -4:30pm ABIDE: Women's Conference at Harvest Baptist Church,
Wapakoneta, OH (lunch provided)

NEXT SUN.

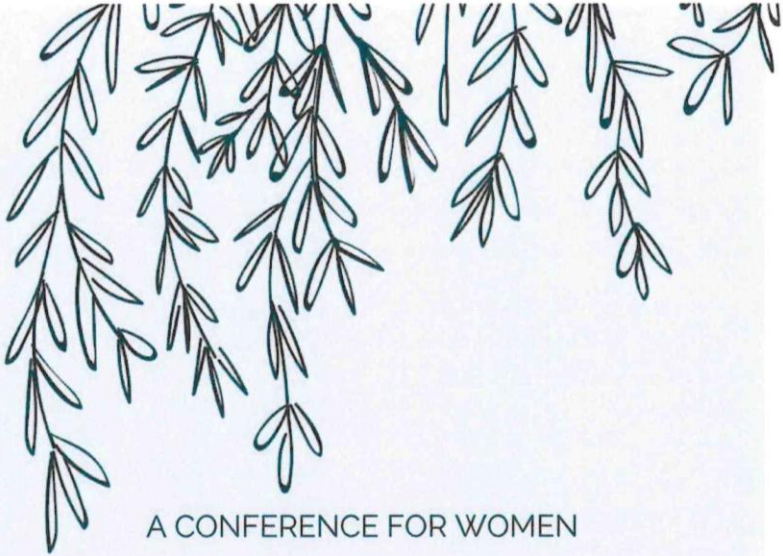
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Pre-K and K/1 classroom Mother's Day Program
7:00 pm Jr./Sr. High Bible Study at Dave & Judy Bambauer's

Offering on April 19th - \$2,012.00

Attendance: 201

Auglaize County Family Life Center – \$1,762.00

General Operating Fund – \$250.00



A CONFERENCE FOR WOMEN

ABIDE

A Three Session Retreat in John 15

Saturday May 2, 2026

Harvest Baptist Church

A light lunch will be provided. Be encouraged with biblical truth and equipped to grow in your walk with God.

Register at harvestbaptist.church or scan the code



