

## Announcements – September 20, 2025

<u>East – 11:00 A.M.</u> <u>East – 2:30 P.M.</u> <u>North – 3:00 P.M.</u>
Songleader Corbin Rose Ray Clore Luke Williams

Pianist Donna Raudenbush Duncan McClenagan

Sermonette Chris Rowland Dave Werner Jason Musgrove

Special Music Ronda Creech David and Kayla

Browning

Sermon Aaron Dean John Elliott Mark Welch

North Services will be outdoors at the Wayne family's Pavilion, 10141 Miamiview Rd, North Bend, Ohio 45052.

**Excused Absence Forms for Holy Days:** If you or someone in your family needs an excused absence form for the upcoming Holy Days, please contact Mark Welch at <a href="mark\_welch@ucg.org">mark\_welch@ucg.org</a> as soon as possible. There are also some forms at the Information Table.

Adult Choir Rehearsal, Today: The Adult Choir will meet for rehearsal in the Recording Studio at 1:15 p.m.

Men's Choir Rehearsal, Today: The Men's Choir will rehearse in the Recording Studio at 1:45 p.m.

**Memorial Service for Walter McLean, 9/21**: A memorial service for Walter McLean will be held Sunday, September 21, at 3:30 p.m. at the Cincinnati North Church Meeting Hall, 5000 N. Bend, Cincinnati, OH 45211. Your continued prayers for Walt's wife, Tina, and his daughter, Toya Wall, as well as the extended family members are greatly appreciated.

## Fall Holy Day Schedule:

Feast of Trumpets, 9/23 – Services for the Feast of Trumpets will be held at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 23. We will meet at the Oasis Conference Center, 902 Loveland-Miamiville Road, Loveland, OH 45140. Please bring your personal hymnals or use your phone app. A Holy Day offering will be collected during the morning service. Please note that our contract does not allow us to take food into the building. Directions are available at the Information Table.

<u>10:30 A.M.</u>		<u>2:30 P.M.</u>		
Songleader	Ken Japhet	Songleader	Dave PerMar	
Pianist	Courtney Creech	Pianist	Duncan McClenagan	
Sermonette	Mark Tannert	Sermonette	Clint Porter	
Offertory Music	Donna Raudenbush and Kayleen Schreiber			
Special Music	Dawn Evans and Carol Clementson	Special Music	Men's Chorus	
Sermon	John Elliott	Sermon	Gary Antion	

- ▶ <u>Day of Atonement, 10/2</u> Cincinnati East and North will meet at the Home Office for services at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 2. An offering will be collected.
- Feast of Tabernacles Opening Night, 10/6 The Feast of Tabernacles in Cincinnati will be held once again at the Holiday Inn Eastgate, 4501 Eastgate Blvd, Cincinnati, OH 45245. The Feast will begin with an opening night service at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, October 6.

**REMINDER – Qualified Charitable Distributions:** We wish to share some important information regarding the use of *Qualified Charitable Distributions* (QCDs) when donating as part of your Holy Day offerings.

QCDs are distribution of funds from an individual's Individual Retirement Account (IRA) payable directly to a qualified 501(c)(3) charitable organization such as the United Church of God, *an International Association* (UCG*IA*). QCD donations are unique in that they require UCG*IA* to identify them specifically as QCDs and provide acknowledgement letters to donors instead of receipting them as we would a non-QCD cash donation.

If you choose to use a QCD to make a Holy Day offering, we ask for your assistance as follows:

- Please do not place them in your local congregation's Holy Day offering collection.
- Instead, remit the Holy Day QCD donation directly to UCGIA: United Church of God, P.O. Box 541027, Cincinnati, OH 45254-1027.

• Ensure the donation is clearly labeled as a QCD and the Holy Day offering to which it applies.

We deeply appreciate your faithful support of God's Work through your offerings. If you have any questions regarding QCDs or need assistance with the process, please don't hesitate to contact UCG*IA* at (513) 576-9796 or email Sarah Howard, donations processing manager, at <u>Sarah Howard@ucg.org</u>.

**Good Works Volunteers Needed – Application Deadline, 9/26:** The United Youth Camp in South Africa is seeking two experienced counselors for their camp in December! Interested applicants must love adventure, God's way of life, God's people and camp! If this sounds like you, please consider applying today at <a href="ucg.org/give/122">ucg.org/give/122</a>.

The dates for camp are December 22 through January 1 (with 1–2 days of travel on either end, depending on your location, or longer if you'd like to see more of the country). The deadline to apply is September 26.

**Youth Instruction/Sabbath School, 9/27:** The next Sabbath School classes will be held at 1:25 p.m. on September 27. They will meet in the following locations: Classes 1 and 2 – the Warehouse; Class 3 – the Conference Room; Class 4 – the Library.

Class	Lesson	Teachers
1	God Is Our Father	Jennifer Phelps, Courtney Creech
2	God Is Omnipotent	Jacqueline Myers, Elizabeth Myers
3	God Is Our Friend	Eric de Campos, Christina de Campos
4	God Is Merciful	Duane Phelps, Lisa Phelps

The Children's Choir will rehearse in the Mail Room immediately after class.

**Feast of Tabernacles – Live Phone Stream:** We are excited to offer a free live phone service for those who need to listen to Feast of Tabernacles church services on their phone. They will be able to listen to the live Feast of Tabernacles services from Morehead City, NC, and Temecula, CA from the evening of Monday, October 6, through Tuesday, October 14. For additional information on this service and to sign up, please contact Mr. Welch.

**Feast Gift Baskets:** It is time to think of the Feast of Tabernacles and those who are unable to attend this year. If you would like to help monetarily with the cost of the Feast Baskets, please make your contribution payable to UCG Cincinnati East and send it to Kathy Trone, 2562 Allegro Lane, Loveland, OH 45140 or there is also a donation box on the Information Table where you can donate. If you would like to donate items to the baskets or if you have any questions, please see Kathy Trone. There is a sign-up sheet at the Information Table for those who can help assemble the baskets on the evening of September 30 at 6:00 p.m. and/or deliver them within a few days after. Thank you in advance for your contribution!

**Feast of Tabernacles Cincinnati – Senior Luncheon & Catered Meals – Payment Deadline, 10/5:** We are excited to spend the Feast with you! To help with planning, we ask that you sign up and pay for the following activities by October 5: the dinner on the First Holy Day, the luncheon on the Last Great Day/Eighth Day and the Senior Luncheon. While there are costs associated with some of these activities, we don't want the cost to be a reason that you do not attend. To that end, we have an option for you to sign up and we will have funds available through our Families Helping Families (FHF) fund to cover the cost.

Seniors, you must use the same link to sign up for the FREE luncheon. If you have a spouse or caregiver who is under 65, that person can enjoy the meal with you free of charge as well. Your companion must register for the luncheon and select the option for "Spouse/Caregiver/Companion (age under 65 - FHF) (\$0.00)."

Please use the following link to sign up: https://ucg.regfox.com/cincinnati-ohio-2025-activitymeal-sign-up.

If you do not have internet access or need help with the website, please see your Feast Coordinator for help in signing up: Caleb Creech for AM (<u>caleb\_creech@yahoo.com</u>, 816-810-2905), Ken Japhet for PM (<u>ken.japhet@gmail.com</u>, 503-507-7770) and Doug Knuckles for North (<u>doug.knuckles@gmail.com</u>, 513-317-1671).

**Service Project for Cincinnati Feast Site:** We are excited to continue our service project for our seniors and families attending the Feast here in Cincinnati. Each tote bag is thoughtfully filled with nutritious foods for the week, along with some special treats for everyone to enjoy on the trip back home. Each year the brethren look forward to receiving these tote-bags. They provide a nice bit of excitement to the week for all. We all appreciate your support in making it happen.

Please consider assisting our efforts and make check contributions payable to HHUGG or cash may be dropped in the box on the Information Table. If you have any questions please contact Mr. Welch.

Cincinnati East Winter Volleyball – Sign Up by 10/25: A sign-up list and participation handout are at the Information Table for those interested in playing or helping with our volleyball social activity this year. Due to popularity, participants must regularly attend the United Church of God or be a dependent or spouse of someone who regularly attends UCG. Right now, the location will be at Nothin' but Net Sports Complex (4343 Mt. Carmel Tobasco Road, Cincinnati, OH 45244) for three of the dates. We are looking for a new facility for three of the dates. The fee will depend on the number of teams playing but should range between \$30 and \$40 per person. We are planning for all games to be held on Saturday nights: November 22, December 13 & 20, January 24, February 7 & 21. Please sign up by October 25. If you have any questions, please contact Duane Phelps.

Ladies Autumn-Themed Social, 11/2: Mark your calendars and get ready for an afternoon of food, fun and fellowship in a cozy, fall-themed setting! The event is open to ladies ages 18 and up and will be held on Sunday, November 2, from 2-5

p.m. Please bring a souvenir or favorite photo from your Feast experience—and be ready to share your story! Reach out to Linda Api you want to help provide food.

Sign up at the Information Table if you're tentatively planning to attend. (No commitment needed—this just helps us plan.) Please also fill out the short survey at the Information Table—your answers will help with a fun mixer activity. We hope to see you there!

**Cincinnati Winter Family Weekend, 12/23-28 – Registration and Hotel Information:** Get ready to be "Fueled by Faith!" Registration for the 2025 Winter Family Weekend in Cincinnati, Ohio is just around the corner. As in previous years, registration will open in phases. Please mark your calendars for this year's dates:

- Sunday, Sept. 21: Registration opens for <u>Team Captains ONLY</u>.
- Thursday, Oct. 16: Early registration opens for attendees with special needs.
- Sunday, Oct. 19: General Registration opens for all attendees.

<u>Hotel Information</u>: We have secured blocks of rooms at a discount rate at two hotels. Please note that *hotel booking* will not be available until General Registration opens on October 19.

- The Warehouse Hotel (On-site at Champion Mill): The primary hotel for the event. *Please note: there is a required 4-night minimum stay* for all reservations in our group block.
- Courtyard by Marriott (Nearby): For guests planning a shorter stay. This hotel does not have a minimum night requirement.

Important Reminder: The group booking codes and reservation links for both hotels will be released with *General Registration on October 19*. Registering as a Team Captain does *not* provide early access to hotel booking.

**REMINDER – World News and Prophecy, Daniel and Revelation:** The World News and Prophecy <u>landing page</u> now has 38 videos available, and the second part in the series about the book of Revelation is up to Revelation chapter 7— "Who Are the 144,000?" Check back each week for a new Revelation class recording.

A complete list of all Ambassador Bible College class recordings can be found by navigating to "Ambassador Bible College" on our website's "Member" menu. Then, click on "Our Courses."

On the Courses page you will find all our class recordings—mostly audio recordings from over the years. But those recorded on video are now tagged "Yes" in the right column of the class course recordings list.

**New BT/UCG Streaming App Coming Soon:** The home office I.T. and Web development teams are working hard to enhance our set-top video streaming apps for the Church. As a result, you will start to see some changes very soon. In particular, the <u>Beyond Today streaming app</u> will be getting a brand-new interface with some great new options. And, it will appear on almost every streaming platform.

What had been the separate "United Church of God" streaming app will be phased out and integrated into the *Beyond Today* app. The new app will be a joint *BT*/UCG application—integrating everything both the *Beyond Today* and United Church of God apps have—plus more.

The new *BT*/UCG app will host the weekly Cincinnati PM webcast and will also feature the two official Feast of Tabernacles webcasts. Consequently, this will also mean United Church of God video material will be available not only on Roku and Amazon Fire TV, but on all the streaming platforms that support *Beyond Today*—greatly expanding the audience for our UCG sermon and Bible study videos.

We will provide more details as the app update gets closer. If you are currently using the UCG app, consider also installing the current *Beyond Today* app if you haven't done so already, which will automatically update when the new version is published.

**Beyond Today Schedule:** Beyond Today programs can be viewed on THE WORD Network (altafiber Elite Channel 263, Spectrum Silver Channel 386) at the following times: 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. Saturday, 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Sunday, and 2:00 a.m. Wednesday. The programs can also be viewed on-demand on dedicated Beyond Today television channels on Roku, iOS devices, Android devices, Amazon Fire TV, LG Smart TVs, Samsung Smart TVs, YouTube, Vimeo, Wii and Xbox. You can always watch the program online at our website <a href="http://www.ucg.org/beyond-today/television">http://www.ucg.org/beyond-today/television</a>.

BT#	Title	Host	Literature Offered	Available
494/ 495	How to Discover Your Purpose / Why Did God Put Me Here? Tragedy turned into faith and hope. Feeling lost? You were created for a divine purpose.	Steve Myers	Why Were You Born?	September 21
404	Discerning the Time of Jesus' Return  Do you recognize the urgent signs of perilous events that will occur prior to Jesus Christ's second coming?	Steve Myers	Seven Prophetic Signs Before Jesus Returns	September 28
496/ 497	Why the Hatred for America and Israel? / When Religion Doesn't Work  Tensions in prophetic focus. She doubted but God stayed faithful.	Darris McNeely	The United States and Britain in Bible Prophecy / The Church Jesus Built	October 5
498/ 499	The Foundation of Christian Politics / The Return of the King Believers serve God's truth, not politics. From darkness to citizens of His kingdom.	Gary Petty	The Gospel of the Kingdom / Christ's Reign on Earth: What It Will Be Like	October 12