



United Church of God an International Association Cincinnati

Announcements – September 27, 2025

	<u>East – 11:00 A.M.</u>	<u>East – 2:30 P.M.</u>	<u>North – 3:00 P.M.</u>
Songleader	Josh Raudenbush	Mark Holladay	Gary Duncan
Pianist	Rebekah Williams	Carol Clementson	
Sermonette	Aaron Meidinger	Rudy Rangel	Bob Holman
Special Music	Rebekah Williams	Ayla Docken, Melody Porter and Rebecca Anderson	Donna Raudenbush
Sermon	Chris Rowland	Darris McNeely	David Metzel

Youth Instruction/Sabbath School, Today: The next Sabbath School classes will be held at 1:25 p.m. today. They will meet in the following locations: Classes 1 and 2 – the Warehouse; Class 3 – the Conference Room; Class 4 – the Library. Students who would like to do Memory Work can come to the Warehouse beginning at 1:00 p.m.

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 Cincinnati – Senior Luncheon & Catered Meals – *Payment Deadline, 9/29:* 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 September 29:* 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 (caleb_creech@yahoo.com, 816-810-2905), Ken Japhet for PM (ken.japhet@gmail.com, 503-507-7770) and Doug Knuckles for North (doug.knuckles@gmail.com, 513-317-1671).

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 on 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!

Day of Atonement, 10/2: 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.

	<u>2:30 P.M.</u>
Songleader	Aaron Meidinger
Pianist	Carol Clementson
Sermonette	Jason Musgrove
Offertory Music	Katie French
Special Music	Ray Clore
Sermon	Mark Welch

PM Service Only, 10/4: Please note that *there will be no AM service for Cincinnati East on October 4.* The PM service will be held at the Home Office at the usual time, 2:30 p.m.

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* (UCGIA). QCD donations are unique in that they require UCGIA 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 UCGIA at (513) 576-9796 or email Sarah Howard, donations processing manager, at Sarah.Howard@ucg.org.

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.

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.

Join The Grove! Calling all parents and grandparents: The Grove is an online parenting community for COG members. Together, we share resources, encouragement, tips and tools, while also building meaningful connections across congregations worldwide. Parenting comes with many challenges, but we don't have to navigate them alone. The Grove is here to strengthen and support one another as we raise the next generation in faith. For more information, please pick up a flyer at the Information Table or scan the QR code to join:



Ronald McDonald House – Pop Tab Donations: We would like to thank all of you for saving your pop tabs for a wonderful cause, the Ronald McDonald House in Cincinnati. They provide a place for families to stay across from Children's Hospital in Cincinnati while their children are being treated. We have one full box and working on the second box. We will take them after the Feast when the second box is full. So please keep saving them and thank you so much.
~Michelle David and Janet Treadway

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 aged 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.

If you're tentatively planning to attend (No commitment needed—this just helps us plan), please fill out the short survey available on the Information Table or use this QR code. 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 Team Captains ONLY.
- Thursday, Oct. 16: Early registration opens for attendees with special needs.
- Sunday, Oct. 19: General Registration opens for all attendees.

Hotel Information: 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.

Save the Date – DFW Regional Family and Prom Weekend, 3/20-22: Please save the date for the annual DFW Regional Family and Prom Weekend, scheduled for Friday, March 20, through Sunday, March 22.

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 <http://www.ucg.org/beyond-today/television>.

BT #	Title	Host	Literature Offered	Available
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	<i>Seven Prophetic Signs Before Jesus Returns</i>	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	<i>The United States and Britain in Bible Prophecy / The Church Jesus Built</i>	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	<i>The Gospel of the Kingdom / Christ’s Reign on Earth: What It Will Be Like</i>	October 12
500/ 501	Death Isn’t What You Think / He Faced Death with a Smile Loss raises the question: Is the soul immortal? Hope in resurrection over death and fear.	Steve Myers	<i>What Happens After Death? / Heaven and Hell: What Does the Bible Really Teach?</i>	October 19