

## CELEBRATE

Ray McDonald ~ Today  
Giving Tuesday ~ November 28  
National Christmas Lights Day ~ December 1  
Special Education Day ~ December 2

*If we don't have your special days, please let us know!*

### Nursery Care

Available during 11am service for 0-2 year olds in the Nursery.  
(If needed, a "Cry Room" is available in the Sprouts Room during the service for children accompanied by an adult.)

### \* Do We Have Your Email? \*

If you don't receive the Scoop, bulletin, prayer requests, etc. and wish to, please send your email address to [jlynch02@gmail.com](mailto:jlynch02@gmail.com) or [commonground.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:commonground.secretary@gmail.com). Thank you!

### Prayer Requests

Email the secretary by early Monday morning for inclusion in the weekly Joys & Concerns, or anytime to have a prayer request sent.

### Benevolence

If you have a need, please let Monica Guy or Jennifer Lynch know. Requests for help will be kept confidential.

### Offerings

If your donation is for a specific area of ministry, please indicate this on check memo line or envelope. Contributions so noted will be recorded for your tax records. Offering envelopes may be found on table near Sanctuary doors. (Goodness Grows contributions are made out directly to GG.)  
*Everything in the heavens and earth is yours, O Lord. - 1 Chronicles 29:11*

### Coat, Clothing, (& More!) Giveaway

Let people know we collect clean, useable items year-round for this annual event, in donation barrel or behind warehouse.

### Online Worship

Streaming on [www.connectinglife.church](http://www.connectinglife.church) then posted to Facebook.



### Goodness Grows

For information on our Non-Profit Mission Project, go to: [www.goodnessgrows4all.org](http://www.goodnessgrows4all.org)

### Common Ground Church Community

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SERVING TOGETHER

November 26, 2023

Welcome to Common Ground!

Seeking to reflect the unconditional love of God,  
our mission is to help people connect -  
to God, to one another,  
and to God's purpose for the world.

We pray that you experience  
a sense of connection today -  
to God, His people, and His world.

Come Grow With Us!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### November 26 - December 3, 2023

Today, 10:20-10:50am ~ Fellowship Time  
Today, 11am ~ Worship  
Today, 6pm ~ Young Adult LifeGroup  
Monday ~ Office & GG Closed  
Tuesday-Friday, 8:30am-2:30pm ~ GG at Work  
Tuesday, 9:45am ~ Staff Meeting  
Tuesday, 10am ~ LifeGroup  
Tuesday ~ GG Cooking with Pastor Mike  
Wednesday, 10am ~ Prayer Group  
Wednesday, 10am ~ Christmas Decorating  
Thursday, 11:30am ~ GG at Fitness For All  
Thursday, 6:30pm ~ Praise Team  
Friday, 9am ~ Ladies Bible Study  
Friday, 6pm ~ Hartley LifeGroup  
Friday, 6-9pm ~ Middle & High School Christmas Event  
Saturday, 9am-3pm ~ GG at the Holiday Flea  
Saturday, 10am-4pm ~ GG at Canfield Craft Show  
Saturday, 1pm ~ H&H Christmas Set Up in Warehouse  
Sunday, 9:30-10:20am ~ Bible Breakout for All Ages

### Pastor on Vacation

Pastor Mike on vacation through November 27. If you have a spiritual need, please reach out to an Elder. If you have a physical need, please reach out to the Deacons.

### Christmas Potluck Lunch & Congregational Meeting

Check out the sign up sheets on the table for food items and volunteer opportunities today! Please see Joyce Jackson for questions about set up and Jen Lynch for questions about clean up. We look forward to this time of family, fellowship, and food with all of you.

### Our Daily Bread

Dec/Jan/Feb devotional available.  
Christmas devotional now available.

### Christmas Decorating

Wednesday, November 29, 10-11am  
Join GG and deck our halls and our trees!

### Mark Your December Calendar

- ◆ Dec. 1 ~ *Middle & High School Christmas Gathering*  
Join in at the Young's, 6-9pm, Christmas lights, movies, and food, talk to Austin if you have any questions.
- ◆ Dec. 10 ~ *Christmas Caroling*  
Stay after Worship for a pizza lunch followed by caroling!
- ◆ Dec. 24 ~ *Christmas Eve Breakfast & Candlelight Worship*  
Potluck Breakfast, 9:30-10:50am, with service to follow at 11am. Invite friends and family!

### Heroes & Halos Christmas Info

Christmas Dinner Saturday, December 16, 12:30-4:30pm  
Angel Tree tags coming soon! Drop off gifts 9am-2pm M-F or Sunday mornings. "Store" set up in warehouse Dec. 2, beginning at 1pm. Christmas prep Dec. 13, 5:30pm.  
Dinner prep begins Dec. 16, 9:30am. Volunteers welcome! Talk to Pam if you would like to help.

### Rock Kidz Uganda ~ [rockkidzuganda.org](http://rockkidzuganda.org)

Prayers and support appreciated as we begin a campaign to raise funds for a new dormitory as Divine Junior School continues to grow.

### Goodness Grows ~ [goodnessgrows4all.org](http://goodnessgrows4all.org)

Our jams are ready for Christmas shopping.

## WORSHIP

11:00am  
Ben St. John

### Time of Meditation

Tuesday LifeGroup  
*Cleanse Me*

### Call to Worship

Scripture Reading/Prayer:  
*Jen Lynch*  
*Psalms 96*

### Songs of Worship

*How Can I Keep From Singing*  
*Forever*  
*All Creatures of Our God and King*

### Scripture

*Hebrews 5:1-10*

### Message

### Closing Song

*Simplicity*

### Joys and Concerns

*Austin Young*

### The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever.  
Amen.*

### Benediction

*Have a blessed week, and may you leave  
with a sense of God's Grace and the knowledge  
of your responsibility to His World!*

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### Offering Our Gifts & Our Lives

(Offering Boxes Available)

You are invited to express your gratitude to God and commitment to God's purposes through offerings and spiritual gifts.  
*All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it.*  
1 Corinthians 12:27