

OCTOBER 2026

EATON FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

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UPCOMING

FAMILY FUN - HARVEST PARTY

Wednesday, October 7 | 6:00-7:30 PM

Invite your friends, family and neighbors to our Harvest Party! We will have family games (think sack races, etc.), a pumpkin patch, bonfire, s'mores bar and more! Dress in your fall sweaters, flannels and fall colors. We can't wait to see you!

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*** Candy is needed - put in the container in the Commons.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS | Wednesday, Oct. 7 @ 5:30p

Join us the 1st Wednesday of every month @ 5:30pm in the gym for dinner! Donations are welcome, but not required. ALL are welcome - pass the word! Menu: Oct. 7 - Taco Bar.

MEN'S BREAKFAST | Saturday, October 3

For all men - 7:30am in the gym for great food & fellowship!

COFFEE IN THE COMMONS!

Join us Sunday, October 4th after service, for a special time of coffee, cookies and fellowship for our church family - happening the first Sunday of every month! Don't rush out after service - stay and enjoy a different cookie and coffee flavor EACH month!

KEENAGER'S BREAKFAST | Tuesday, October 6 @ 9a

All senior retirees meet for breakfast at Bob Evans in Eaton.

NURSING HOME MINISTRY | Sunday, October 11

All are invited to join us as we worship with those at Greenbriar Nursing Home (501 W. Lexington Rd., Eaton) at 1:30pm.

WOW SMALL GROUP | Widows or Widowers

Saturday, October 10 at 2pm. Meet in the church Commons area. Bring snacks or appetizers to share and your own drink for games, fun, and fellowship. If you have a favorite game to share please bring it. Contact Charlene Nuse 937.336.9450 or queenpaperho1969@gmail.com with questions/comments.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Join us on Thursday, October 15th from 6-7:30pm for a night of games and snacks! Bring your family's favorite games and activities to share, and we will fellowship with each other while learning new games!

SOUP COOK-OFF & DESSERT AUCTION

On Sunday, October 25th @ 5pm, our Youth Group will be hosting our annual Soup Cook-Off and Dessert Auction! If you would like to enter a soup into the contest or make a dessert for the auction, make sure to look out for the sign-up sheet in the Commons! May the best soup win!!

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING | Nov. 8 | 6pm

Make plans to attend as we review the annual report, budget, and vote on the ballot. Materials available in commons on Nov. 1st.

PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH - OCTOBER

Let's join together & show our pastoral staff how much we appreciate them by showering them with cards and gifts. Gift bags will be in the narthex for you to put your cards in. Here's some ideas:

Pastor Aaron - York peppermints, Gulzar's & hot head gift cards

Pastor Matthew - Coke Zero, Fantasy Books, Reese's Cups, Gulzar's, Taco Bell, Thai Thara, Lulu's Tacos

Pastor Allie - Reese's, Amazon, Chipotle, Dunkin', Starbucks

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

4 ways you can be involved in Operation Christmas Child:

1. **Pack your own shoebox:** Pick up a box in the commons and return it filled with goodies by Nov. 15th.
2. **Build a shoebox online:** Go to samaritanspurse.org and follow the links. For \$30 you can choose what goes in your box - You can also add pictures and a note. This is a great option!
3. **Donations needed:** school supplies, small stuff animals, washcloths, & toothbrushes. Put in the box in the commons.
4. **Donate money** to help pay shipping for packing party boxes - just mark your offering for OCC.

A huge "Thank You" to everyone who had a part in the bake sale. Together we raised \$650 to purchase items for OCC!

EATON FIRST KIDS

KID’S MINISTRY UPDATES

Our Kid’s Ministry is off to a wonderful start this fall! The Back-to-School Bash was a great success, and we are looking forward to the Family Harvest Party on October 7. Here are a few updates and current needs within the ministry:

- 1. **Sunday School:** Promotion is over and kids are settling in their new classes. We are in need of an assistant teacher in one of the classes, if you are interested, please contact the church office.
- 2. **Kid’s Church:** Kids now remain in the worship service at the start of church and then are dismissed to Kid’s Church (Room 104) before the sermon.

We are incredibly grateful for our Kid’s Ministry Team and the many hours of time, and dedication they invest to help our ministry thrive. Current team members: Shelby Bryant, Nancy Clark, Sarah Hays, Mindy Jones, and Anna McCollum.

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COMMUNITY

CHECK OUT THESE BOOKS!

Our very own Kenn Barton has written six books, including journals, devotionals, poetry, and prayer collections. Visit his website at www.Barton-Books.com to explore his work and purchase copies. You can also browse sample books at the Welcome Center in the Commons.

LOVE PACKAGES

Love Packages need donations of Christian materials to send overseas. See container in Commons for list of what they need.

FOOD BANK NEEDS

The need is great in Preble County. Our church has been asked to donate cereal, spaghetti sauce and dish soap. There also is always a need for hygiene items (shampoo, body soap, deodorant, toothbrush/toothpaste). Please put all donations in the bin in the Commons.

EATON FIRST YOUTH

YOUTH BIBLE STUDIES - Wednesdays

Join us weekly on Wednesdays for Bible Study in the Youth Room from 6-7:30pm, complete with games, food, worship and small group discussions!

GUY’S & GIRL’S BIBLE STUDY - Sundays

Guys & Girl’s Bible study (7th - 12th grade) at 6pm every Sunday for dinner & fellowship. Bring your Bible, appetite & a friend!

- Guys meet at Donald’s house (6664 Paddock Rd., Eaton)
- Girls meet at Allie’s house (350 Frizzell Ave., Eaton).

YOUTH FALL FEST

We are heading to the Chappel’s House (4789 Ozias Rd., Eaton) on Saturday, October 24th from 6-8pm for a fall fest! We’ll have a hayride, bonfire, food, games, all the fall things! Invite your friends, and we will see you there!

YOUTH FALL RETREAT PLANNING PARTY

We are planning on heading to Bear Branch, KY for our Fall Retreat this year! We will be doing service projects, along with our own sharing time of devotions and worship. But, we need your help! Plan to come to Allie’s house (350 Frizzell Ave., Eaton) on Saturday, October 10th at 7pm, and bring all your ideas with you on how you want to see that weekend go!

YOUTH WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

It’s that time of year again! If you would like to provide a meal for our Youth Group during our Wednesday Night Bible Study, please see the sign-up sheet in the Commons! If you would like to help but don’t like to cook, donations are also accepted and appreciated! Thank you for helping out in this way and for blessing our group!

SEPTEMBER GIVING/ATTENDANCE:

	AM Attn.	Offering	Bldg/Reno Fund	Faith Promise
Sept. Online		\$5,451.00	\$60.00	\$488.00
8/30/26	182	3,972.32	34.00	456.00
9/6/26	159	8,459.29	149.00	556.00
9/13/26	170	6,194.00	74.00	686.00
9/20/26	176	2,962.35	36.00	145.00
9/27/26	165	4,375.00	50.00	366.00

Average Weekly Offering: \$6,282.79

Average Weekly Offering Needed 2026: \$8,056.00