

# WELCOME TO *first free!*

If this is your first time at First Free, you are our special guest, and we extend a warm welcome to you! Be sure to pick up a free gift at the Guest Services Desk, filled with information about ministries at First Free.

## get CONNECTED

FIRST Connection is a casual opportunity to hear about the mission and values of First Free. You can attend the first Sunday of the Month from 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. in Room 201.

## for more INFORMATION

FirstLook is a publication that highlights all upcoming events and ministries for a quarter of the year. Copies are available at the Guest Services Desk.



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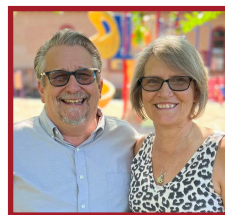
Download the app, find First Evangelical Free Church in the list of nearby churches and follow a few simple steps to log into your profile. Call the church office if you need help getting logged in.



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# *first free* NEWSWORTHY

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## Prayer for Global Partners John & Wendy Gerhardt

- Pray for our After School Academic Program (ASAP). We currently have 14 students who attend. Most of these students perform below grade level.
- We also focus on spiritual and emotional care to help them get through the day and hopefully live a thriving life.

## up and COMING

- Understanding the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: Class offered twice  
Oct. 22 at 9 a.m. in Room 100 • Oct. 29 at 10:45 a.m. in the Youth Center
- Thanksgiving Food Drive for Union Gospel Mission: Until Nov. 5
- Staff Meet-And-Greet: TONIGHT • 6 p.m. • Worship Center & Lobby  
Welcome our new pastors and staff.
- M&M Sales: Oct. 22 & 29 • After each service in the Lobby • Cost: \$2  
Proceeds help ship Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes.
- GRACE Group Outing: Oct. 26 • 10:30 a.m. • Pine Tree Apple Orchard
- Family Gym Night - Floor Hockey: Oct. 27 • 6:30 - 9 p.m. • Gym
- Truck or Treat: Oct. 28 • 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. • First Free Parking Lot  
Volunteers are needed to decorate trunks and donate sweets.
- Baptism Class: Offered twice  
Oct. 29 at 9 a.m. in Room 200 • Nov. 5 at 10:45 a.m. in Room 201
- Stocking the Shelves: Oct. 29 • 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. • Library  
Books, CDs, and DVDs can be purchased and donated to our Library.

## family UPDATES

- Alaina Olsen's mother, Linda, passed away on Oct. 14.
- Jeannie Kirkpatrick passed away on Oct. 13 and is survived by a loving family including her husband, Jim. A service will be held at First Free on Nov. 4 with an 11 a.m. visitation, 12 p.m. service, and lunch to follow. The service will be recorded and available afterward.

## THREE WAYS TO GIVE



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it to church



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any dollar amount  
to 84321



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