



WE ARE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE

At Connections we invite you to join us so you can:

BELONG to a **COMMUNITY** who cares about you

BELIEVE the Truth about God's **KINGDOM**

BECOME who God created you to be and follow His **CALLING**

We strive to faithfully teach the message of the Gospel from God's Word, to encourage relationships among our church family and our surrounding community, and to impact the world around us with the hope and power of the Gospel through community partnerships.

Please stop by the **Welcome Table** in the Lobby or drop into the **Response Room** (located across the hall from the Gym in the Teacher's Lounge) to meet with one of our Pastors. We would be happy to answer any questions.

FEATURED EVENTS

FOUNDATIONS Class

Join us during the **9 a.m. Study Hour** as we dig deeply into Scripture to present the foundational truths about what it means to become a Christ-follower. We will move at a flexible pace that allows time to ask questions, participate in discussion and seek out answers. The tentative schedule is as follows and if you miss a class you can find audio recordings on-line at www.connections.cc/study.

August 4 - Repentance (week 2)

August 11 - Faith (week 1)

August 18 - Faith (week 2)

August 25 - Baptism (week 1)

September 1 - Baptism (week 2)

September 8 - Receive the Holy Spirit (week 1)

September 15 - Receive the Holy Spirit (week 2)

GATHER WITH US!

SUNDAY MORNINGS

9 a.m. Study Hour

10 a.m. Worship Gathering

Roosevelt High School

616 N. 2nd St., Johnstown, CO 80534

WEEKLY STUDIES AND GROUPS

Church Office/Connecting Place

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If you are new and would like to learn more about our church, text **WELCOME** to 970-644-6800.

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CONNECTIONS
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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AUGUST 4

NEW SERIES



"TOWARD AN ENDURING IDENTITY"
1 PETER 2:1-17

God launched His church for His purposes and He gave us clear direction on our priorities, values, and actions. In this study we will explore the key elements of God's direction to His church and learn how we can fulfill them in today's world.

Remember to start your study on Monday and introduce these concepts to your kids during the week. They will be reinforced in all our environments throughout the week.

Stop in the Lobby to pick up **Volume 11, Unit 1**, of your Personal Study Guide and begin your study of next week's lesson,

The God Who Directs His People
Toward Love in Action

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

KidMin - Promotion Sunday

Sunday, August 11

Nightlight Christian Adoptions Service Opportunity

Saturday, August 17, 5-8 p.m.

at Realities for Children, south Fort Collins

LifeGroups - Kick Off

Sunday, September 8

(details for above events are located inside)

EVENT DETAILS

KidMin Promotion Sunday

On **Sunday, August 11**, parents will check kids in as normal, but kids will have been automatically promoted to their next grade level environment. For example: Kindergarten students will automatically be promoted to the 1st grade environment. What we need from you: If your child is staying in the same grade as last school year and are not moving up please let me know so we can make that adjustment in our system. Also, If you have a 4yr old that is not going to be enrolled in preschool please let me know (they will remain in the toddler environment).

We are excited to celebrate these promotion milestones with your family. We love sharing the Gospel with your kids and partnering in their faith journey! We are praying for all God has in store for your family this coming school year! Please reach out to Ryan Jones directly if you have any questions.

Nightlight Christian Adoption - Service Opportunity for Adults and Teens

Are you looking for a great family or small group service opportunity this summer? Come spend a few hours playing like a kid again...(and with a kid, or two!) as we provide childcare and give Foster/Adoptive parents a well-deserved break! Dinner is provided for volunteers and kids. Contact Amy Johnson at cnaj100@gmail.com for more details or to sign up to volunteer.

LifeGroups

Life is better together! LifeGroups are about growing together as followers of Jesus. There are wonderful ways to connect with people who are on the same journey as you, as we lead one another along the Discipleship Pathway. We have dozens of LifeGroups meeting each week, and more forming all the time so let our LifeGroups team help in your search! Fill out the enclosed flier and return to the Community Table in the Lobby or visit www.connections.cc/groups to get connected.

FOR YOU

Do you want to know God better and become who He's created you to be? Here are some places to start:

- **Study Hour:** An interactive Bible study group that will prepare you for your own study during the week.
- **Discipleship Pathway Group:** Weekly small groups for community, encouragement, and growth.
- **Partnering in Ministry:** Weekly or monthly service opportunities to use your gifts and passions to change lives. Any experience level is welcome!

Drop into the **Response Room** (across the hallway from the Gym) to talk to a Pastor and get connected!

FOR YOUR FAMILY

We believe strong families start with a solid foundation. Our mission is to partner with parents in their God-given role as Spiritual leaders and aid in helping children meet Jesus and grow in their relationship with Him.

• Family Ministry

Stay up-to-date with family ministry by signing up for the Parent Text Messages by texting the following key words to **970-644-6800**:

HSParent for High School Parents

MSParent for Middle School Parents:

KMParent for Early Childhood or Elementary Parents

• KidMin

Each Sunday, children birth - 5th grade, are guided through age appropriate curriculum and activities by our ministry partners.

• Student Ministry

Youth Group - Engage in worship, challenging messages, community and small groups. Join us at the Connecting Place Wednesdays, 7-8:30 p.m. for Middle School, and Thursdays, 7-8:30 p.m. for High School.

Study Hour - Dig into God's Word together. Both Middle School and High School environments meet Sunday mornings, 9-9:45 a.m. in the Teacher's Lounge.

BECOMING A DISCIPLE

Discipleship is more than just knowing about the Bible; it's about surrendering our lives to our Lord and choosing to pattern our actions, attitudes, priorities, and values after His example.

It's our goal to not only communicate Biblical Truths, but strive to consistently live out that Truth in our lives. We're not perfect, but we are grateful that God sees each of us as a work in progress. We're honest about our journey and eager to have others join us, including you and your family!

We hope you will join us on the journey of Discipleship and will choose to be actively engaged in your own transformation. We look forward to journeying with you.

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Our prayer team is available to meet with you at the cross in the Gym during and after our Worship Gathering. To submit a Prayer Request, please email to prayer@connections.cc

Thank you for all of the prayer support while our students attended CIY-MOVE and CIY-MIX this summer! Please continue to pray that God challenges them by sending people to them that will display Christ and challenge them, that God reveals to them how they can play a role in His Kingdom right now and that through them, God would bear fruit that would last for generations.

Please pray that Gracie Felmlee continues to heal from her infection and that her immune system get stronger as she does. Pray for the Felmlee family as they meet new challenges with faith and trust and may we as a church family seek out ways to support and love them as they do.

GIVING

When you invest in Connections, you support local ministry, regional partnerships, and global missionaries all focused on expanding the Kingdom. We're grateful for your generosity. If you'd like to explore on-line giving, you can set it up here: connections.cc/give

Giving Summary	July	YTD (July)
Budget	\$27,500	\$27,500
Actual	\$29,885	\$88,326