

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.

Repentance (week 3)

Faith (week 1)

Faith (week 2 and additional if needed)

Baptism (week 1)

Baptism (week 2 and additional)

Receive the Holy Spirit (week 1)

Receive the Holy Spirit (week 2 and additional)

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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COMMUNITY | KINGDOM | CALLING **AUGUST 11**



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 Obedience to His Word

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Guys Group

Monday, August 12, 6:30 p.m. at the Connecting Place

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

Guys Group

Guys, Middle School and up, come together to encourage, equip, and support each other as we grow as men following Christ. Join us for Guys Group tomorrow night! If you'll miss tomorrow's group, we meet every 2nd Monday of the month. Make plans to join us in the month of September. Stop by the table in the lobby or contact John Soricelli at 970-690-5021 with questions or if you need additional information.

Nightlight Christian Adoption - Service Opportunity for Adults and Teens

We have had an amazing sign-up of 25 kids that will be attending this night out for their parents! We now need additional volunteers to come spend a few hours playing like a kid again...(and with a kid, or two!) as we provide childcare and give their Foster/Adoptive parents a well-deserved break. This is a great service opportunity for a family or small group to participate in together. 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.

PARTNERING IN MINISTRY

Worship Team Ministry Partners Needed

There are many opportunities to partner with our amazing Worship Team through vocal, instrumental, audio/visual and in -service participation! If God is calling you to serve in this ministry don't hesitate - we have training for all the above areas. Contact Kyle at kwederquist@lbcc.org and let's worship together!

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*

There are several in our church family who are caring for family or extended family with health or life changing issues. Please pray for peace, patience and confirmation for them as they walk daily with their loved ones. For those they are caring for - pray for healing, adjustment and that they feel the love of Christ.

Pray for students as summer comes to a close and school begins. Pray for teachers and administration as they prepare for the arrival of these students and that this will be a great year for everyone!

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	August	YTD (July - August)
Budget	\$32,500	\$60,000
Actual	\$ 8,807	\$97,133