



SUNSET

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Ministry Guidebook

WORSHIP • CONNECT • SERVE

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Connect

Follow these Steps

The goal for every member is to be plugged in to the body of Christ here at Sunset in these three areas: Worship - Connect - Serve.

STEP 1

Worship!

When the doors are open, we'd love to see you here!

STEP 2

Connect!

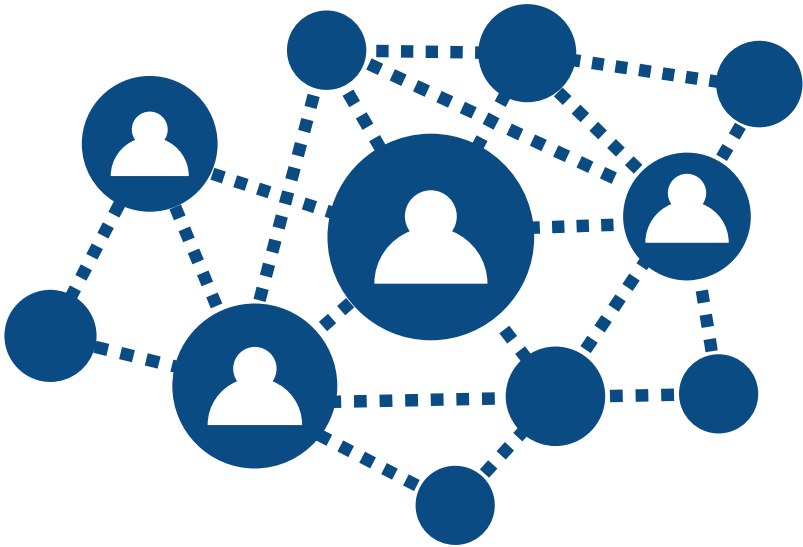
Join a group ministry, a Bible class, a Connect Group or all 3!

STEP 3

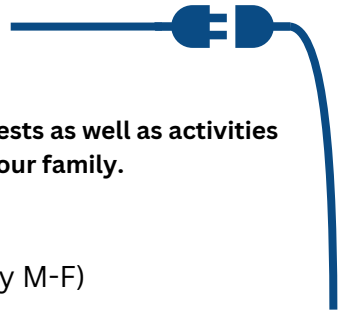
Serve!

Serving together is one way we show our love for God, our church family and our neighbors.

GET CONNECTED &



STAY PLUGGED IN



You can be informed about worship, prayer requests as well as activities and events that will bless you and your family.

To-Do List:

1. Sign-up for the grapevine (emailed daily M-F)
2. Join Remind Groups
3. Download & Sign-up for "Instant Church Directory"
4. Update your Member Involvement Form
5. Join Sunset Church Family private Facebook Group
6. Visit our online calendar to see upcoming events

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Mission & Vision



Making mature followers of Jesus

“go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.”
(Matthew 28:19-20)

“to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.”
(Ephesians 4:12-13)

“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer...
with glad and sincere hearts, praising God
and enjoying the favor of all the people.”
(Acts 2:42-47)

We want to accomplish our mission through:

Worship - Connect - Serve

NEW TO SUNSET?

Here's what we recommend!

WORSHIP

1. Be present & smile:

- Grab a bulletin & complete a Connect Card each week
- Greet those around you
- Give a yellow bag to 1st time guests

CONNECT

2. Join a Bible class & meet someone new:

- Join a Sunday Bible class
- Join 4th Sunday Night Fellowship
- Join a Connect Group
- Attend a Retreat or the Family Campout

SERVE

3. Pitch in & use your talent:

- Update your Member Involvement Form
- Be a helper at a Community Event
- Bless through generosity (see bulletin for opportunities)
 - Contribution, Food, Showers & Special collections

Building and Grounds

Contact - Chris Burris 417-872-7066

"Crucial to providing a good Sunset experience." - Chris Burris

- Custodian substitute: 8-10 hrs per week
 - Cleaning twice per week, Tuesday/Thursday, Paid fill-in
- Facilities substitute: 10-12 hrs per week
 - Unlocks/Locks Building for Worship/Class, Lights, Communion, Doors, Spot Cleaning, Paid fill-in

Children's Bible Hour

Contacts - Carie Samuel 417-849-2995 (1st Worship)

Kara Ewing 417-496-5381 & Miranda Amyx 314-603-3479 (2nd Worship)

***"It's the extra hands every parent needs for a fulfilling Sunday!"
- Samantha Brown***

- For children age 2 - Kindergarten offered at 1st & 2nd Worship
- Teachers & Helpers sign-up for a month
- Curriculum provided & training available

Security

Contacts - Chris Burris 417-872-7066

& Mike Brown 910-233-0891

"I am honored to work with men and women who take the physical safety of the congregation so seriously and perform their duties so professionally." - Mike Brown

- Teams Serve a Sun - Wed schedule (approx. 6 hrs/wk)
- Available for special events hosted by Sunset
- Must attend scheduled training throughout the year
- Spots available for men & women

Technology Booth

Contacts - Mark Viguette 417-844-1657

& Steve Cobb 417-689-3993

"Having a good team in the booth, who can keep our worship & livestream running smoothly is critical." - Mark Viguette

- Audio & PPT Technician
- Cameras & Live Stream Technician
- 2-3 hrs per week for 1st, 2nd, PM Worship, & Wed. Class
- Training available

Transportation

Contact - Jeff Treat 417-569-6036

"This ministry is selfless servitude in offering a simple ride."

- Jeff Treat

- Extremely rewarding and a selfless blessing to others
- Sunday van route for Worship (2-3 hrs)
- Van driver spots available (must be under 70 years of age)

Worship Coordination & Leadership

Worship Coordinators - Brian Dahl 417-343-7700

John Kail 417-891-9984 & John Penner 417-920-6052

"A desire to serve makes the best volunteers!" - Brian Dahl

- Depending upon the role, the time in preparation may vary.

Roles include:

- Lead public prayer*
- Lead singing*
- Read scripture*
- Lead prayers at the Lord's Table*
- Pass communion*
- Usher Sunday morning*

"All men of the congregation should search their hearts for an aspect of the worship they feel comfortable serving in." - Darrell Reeds

- Usher/Serve and Lead prayers for the Lord's Table Sunday Evening*
- Greeter for 1st or 2nd Worship
- Zone Greeter for 1st or 2nd Worship

*Women's involvement in public worship assignments, teaching assignments, and other areas of leadership are subject to the Biblical principle of male spiritual leadership. If you have any specific questions regarding these matters, please contact one of the elders.

Worship Preparation

Contact - Chris Burris 417-872-7066

"Don't give away my month!" - Jack Burnum

- Preparing the weekly communion emblems is an important task to making our worship obedient & meaningful.
- Communion Preparation - anytime Thursday-Saturday
 - Fill juice cups. Place bread in trays. Approx. 1 hr per person.
 - 1 month commitment. Fill-in spots available.

Contact - Shaun Jordan 417-838-6225

"I'm making an executive decision and deciding that we will be having C4C at Shaun & Jolee's " - Logan Thompson

- A Young Adult Ministry for ages 18-25
- Meets Wednesdays on MSU Campus
- Meets Sunday for Bible Class and Sunday Night for C4C

Contact - Chris Livingston 501-388-5757

“They are dual dimensional - connecting with God and connecting with our Sunset Family.” - Robby Davis

- Sunset's version of Small Groups
- Groups meet 1st & 3rd Sundays
- Connect groups consist of 8-20 adults in each group
- Host & Discussion Leader Training available

“Our children need our teachers, helpers, parents and all of us to foster their spiritual growth.” - Jeff Treat

- **Adult Classes*** - Mark Viguet 417-844-1657
- **Teen Classes*** - Jeff Klein 417-496-5380
- **Children's Class Teachers & Helpers** - James Cobb 417-689-3997
& Jeff Treat 417-569-6036
- **Children's Curriculum Helper** - Deanne Cobb 417-581-8501
- **Organize Church Library** - Betty Young 417-689-0521

Join the rotation of all those providing wonderful Bible classes!

- Class Teachers, Helpers, & Curriculum Helpers
- Join the team; it's much easier than you think!
- Materials & training available

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"Let the little children come to me." – Jesus

Fellowship

Contact - Church Office 417-883-2044

“Staying young at heart through Christian fellowship.” - Terry Lawler

- **Fall Church Campout - Brian Dahl 417-343-7700**
 - Sign-up in October to attend
 - Want to help? Call Brian Dahl
- **Ladies’ Game Night - Kim Scritchfield 816-916-2978**
 - One Friday per month in Fellowship Hall 6:30-9pm
- **Ladies’ Monthly Breakfast - Carie Samuel 417-849-2995**
 - 2nd Thursday of the month at Jimmy’s Egg 6:45am
- **Men’s Monthly Breakfast - Dwight Samuel 417-861-3904**
 - 4th Monday of the month at Cedars 6:30am
- **Sunsetters (55+) - Terry Lawler 417-343-7857**
 - Movie Nights, Day Trips/Tours, Fellowship Meals & More!

Ladies’ Wednesday Morning Bible Class

Contact - Sharon Hawkins 417-543-0019

“You are never without a friend.” - Sharon Hedden

- Class every Wednesday at 10am in 4B of the Fellowship Hall
 - Seeks to grow in faith through prayer, Bible study & fellowship
 - An awesome place of encouragement
 - Support many ministries:
 - Weekly Card ministry, Monthly Pot-Luck & Holiday Baskets

Little Youth

Contact - Caleb Adams 417-730-0431

& Michael Axsom 417-989-1380

“Being part of a ministry that is able to develop the faith of our children is a blessing.” - James Cobb

- Fellowship & events for families with young children
- Spring Fling to Caroling and everything in between.

Men's Ministries

Men's Clay Pigeon Shoot - Craig Thomas 417-371-4283

Men's Retreat - Dwight Samuel 417-861-3904

***"Trust me, it's a blast! The best part is the shooting and the fellowship."
- Craig Thomas***

- Clay Pigeon Shoot
 - Annually in June
 - Fellowship, food and devotion
 - Approx. 4 hrs held at local shooting complex
- Men's Retreat

Widowhood (Men & Women)

Contact - David Kail 417-763-2137

"A supportive and comfortable Christian atmosphere." - David Kail

- Support through shared experiences and lessons learned
- Area-Wide Church connections in widowhood activities
- Educational events
- Want to help a widow/widower? Call 417-883-2044

Young Professionals (20's & 30's)

20's Contact - Phillip Bates 806-922-7445

30's Contact - Daniel Prince 870-219-3888

"It has been vital in me connecting with people and growing in my faith." - Hunter Dougan

- Bible Class, Quarterly Fellowships & 2 Connect Groups!

Youth Group

Contacts - Chase Amyx 314-602-1914

& Jeff Klein 417-496-5380

"It has benefited me by strengthening my faith and teaching me how to be a leader and has also given me friends that I can rely upon."

- Brandon Kail

- Chaperone Events
- Host Youth Event
- Drive a van
- Teach a class*

Community Outreach

Contact - Chris Livingston 501-388-5757

"I love participating in outreach because it gives me the opportunity to share and demonstrate love from our Sunset family."

- Susie Henry

- 3-4 hrs per quarter for Sunset hosted events
 - Easter/Pumpkins/TrunkTreat/Selfie Events
- Mark Twain Neighborhood Cleanup and/or Meeting Host
- Pantry Benevolence
- School Outreach and/or Shoe Shop
- Springfield Rehab Devotional Team

Evangelism

Personal Bible Studies - Dwight Samuel 417-861-3904

World Bible School - David Asher 417-839-7286

"WBS is an easy way to make a big impact. Last year Sunset mailed over 3600 lessons and had over 300 baptisms in

Malawi, Ghana & Nigeria." - David Asher

- WBS Teachers can manage 20 lessons in about 5 minutes

Iglesia De Cristo

Contact - Mauricio Vanegas 417-569-8291

"I feel the unity and love for the work in the Hispanic church."

- Mauricio Vanegas

- Translator needed for combined services*
- English Class teacher (quarterly classes as needed)

Ladies' Ministries

Contact - Church Office 417-883-2044

"It's a simple thing to decorate but for a family it's so meaningful to have a comforting place to eat and visit." - Nancy Johnson

- Funeral Meals & Shower Hostesses - Kelly Wiles 417-883-2044
 - Quarterly Chairperson (4 hrs to coordinate)
 - Funeral Meals or Showers (4 hrs each as needed)
 - Helpers to bring a dish, serve or help host
- Ladies' SPARK Retreat - Kate Kail 417-234-4213
 - Limited committee positions (9 mo planning period)
 - Various opportunities to lead & serve at the Spring event

Ladies' Sewing Groups

Contact - Carolyn Cochran 417-576-4915

& Evelyn Wilson 417-860-4313

Packages of Love - Phyllis Schmitt 417-849-0598

"It's my fix!" - Betty Watkins

Most Monday mornings from 9-Noon in the basement bay area

- Quilters to cut, tack & machine
- Crochet & Knit hats, scarves, walker & wheel chair bags
- Assemble Packages of Love
- Make Baby Quilts, Baby Blankets, Baby Hats & Bibs
- Willing to learn?

Song Ministry

Contact - Don Johnson 417-887-2687

"A small chorus of Sunset singers is frequently requested by families."

- Don Johnson

- A group of 4-8 experienced singers for funeral services
- As needed for about 1.5 hr

Sunset Family Ministry

Contact - Church Office 417-883-2044

"Serving others is my way to create connections in a natural and meaningful way." - Cathy Cochran

- AED Emergency Service
- Card, Call & Visit Ministry
- Communion to Shut-ins

"The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many." - Jesus

Worship•Connect•Serve

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INVOLVEMENT FORM

"I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing" - Jesus

QUICK CONTACT LIST

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