

get connected:

Questions about anything below? Stop by the Connect Center in the lobby!

Spring Fling:

You, along with your friends and family, are invited to an evening of fun and fellowship at our Spring Fling on Sunday, May 17 from 4-6pm right here on our campus! This is a great intergenerational opportunity for you to invite your friends out to experience life together with our Cherry Hills family. We'll have food trucks that you can purchase dinner or snacks from, foam cannons, tie-dye and more! Bring your lawn chairs and join us for a great evening – no RSVP necessary!

We need extra help for set up and tear down. If you can help, scan the qr code or text "spring" to 217.546.4818.



Serve in Family Ministries:

Can you give 2-3 hours of your summer to help with our kids or student ministries? We have a few gaps to fill in as we give our regular volunteers the summer off to refresh and refuel before coming back this fall. We need help on Sunday mornings in early childhood and elementary, and at the cafe on Wednesday and Sunday nights. If you can help, text "serve" to 217.546.4818 and one of our leaders will be in touch!

Christian Service Scholarship:

It's scholarship time! You may not be aware, but Cherry Hills has a Christian Service Scholarship for students going into ministry. It is open to undergraduate or graduate students who are members of Cherry Hills. Application forms are due July 15, 2026 and are available by scanning the qr code or text "scholarship" to 217.546.4818.



Resource Center:

Check out our Resource Center in the lobby! Books from our collection of titles on the shelves can be purchased after each service. We hope this fosters a hunger for learning as part of our spiritual formation.

Mother's Day Discount – As a way to honor all the women pouring into the next generation, throughout the month of May, women may present the 20% off coupon (received today with your cookie!) at the Resource Center for a discount on any title on the shelf.

for more information on what's happening, please visit our website: www.cherryhillsfamily.org

a word from: Steve

Cherry Hills Family, from the very beginning of the Bible, motherhood is presented as both a profound blessing and a weighty responsibility. In Genesis 3, Eve is given the name "the mother of all the living," a reminder that God's redemptive purposes would continue through women who bear, nurture, and shape life. Throughout Scripture, mothers appear repeatedly as instruments God uses to form faith, courage, and obedience in the next generation.



For example, Moses' life is preserved because his mother refuses to give in to fear and entrusts him to God's care (Exodus 2). Samuel learns to hear God's voice because his mother, Hannah, first prayed him into existence and faithfully dedicated him back to God (1 Samuel 1). Timothy's sincere faith is traced directly to the influence of his mother Eunice and grandmother Lois (2 Timothy 1:5).

The Bible also reminds us that the influence of a mother is not limited to biology. Scripture consistently paints a picture of spiritual motherhood—women who nurture, teach, correct, and encourage others in the ways of the Lord. Paul speaks of women instructing younger women in wisdom and love (Titus 2), and Proverbs 31 celebrates a woman whose words are marked by kindness and whose life blesses many beyond her own household.

And yet, Scripture is honest: motherhood is not easy. It involves sacrifice, unseen labor, sleepless nights, and profound dependence on God. Mary, the mother of Jesus, carried both joy and sorrow, treasuring things in her heart she did not yet understand and standing faithfully even at the foot of the cross (Luke 2; John 19).

As the church, we are called to honor mothers not sentimentally, but biblically. That means recognizing their spiritual influence, supporting them in their calling, and remembering those for whom Mother's Day brings both gratitude and grief. It also means affirming that God sees the faithfulness that often goes unnoticed, and that no act of love done in His name is ever wasted!

Today, we honor mothers of all kinds and thank you for the influence you have! Happy Mother's Day!

prayer focus:

- week of May 11 -

Church To Pray For
Springfield First

Missionaries To Pray For:
Matt & Nadia Lohse
serving in Indianapolis

ch kids

Infant - Preschool

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Today, kids in early childhood and elementary are learning about "The Lame Man"

Acts 3:1-10

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6th - 8th Grade

Wednesday evenings 6-8 pm

9th - 12th Grade

Sunday evenings 6-8 pm

ch life together

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