





current message series

We all want great friends, but it can be hard to move beyond casual acquaintances and drinking buddies to real friendships—the kind that share all of life’s highs and lows, every day. Join us as we discover what it takes to become “everyday friends.”

today

Today we are talking about the power of sacrifice in friendships.

FIRST

time here? OR SECOND, OR THIRD, OR TENTH...

relax

It’s OK to laugh at church. We don’t take ourselves too seriously, but we take what we do VERY seriously. As a result, we like to make fun of ourselves, and sometimes, the Bengals. We believe that God has a sense of humor and that you should, too. But if you don’t think it’s funny, feel free to email us, and later we’ll have a good laugh at what you wrote. (Kidding! See? We did it again.)



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KNOW

WHAT’S HAPPENING AROUND  
CROSSROADS

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE:  
SIGN UP TO SERVE

Every year, we provide food to churches and other organizations in Cincinnati and South Africa so that they can bless their communities. We need your help giving out boxes in the Atrium and collecting boxes in the parking lots. Oakley and Mason. Sign up now at [crossroads.net/tfd](http://crossroads.net/tfd).

LINKED MUSIC FESTIVAL

Enjoy live bands at this year’s Linked Music Festival, a free music event designed to create awareness for CityLink Center. The festival will be held at Nisbet Park in Old Loveland, Saturday, October 8, from 1–8pm. This year’s acts include Blessid Union of Souls and Holly Spears. Get details at [linkedmusicfestival.com](http://linkedmusicfestival.com).

BAPTISM INFO SESSION

Our next Baptism celebration will take place in November. If you or your school-age child is considering baptism, attend an Information Session for valuable info about the next celebration. Sessions are offered September 25 and October 23 at Crossroads Oakley in Meeting Room A from 1–2:30pm, and October 16 at Crossroads Mason in the White House from 12:30–2pm. For more info or to sign up, visit [crossroads.net/baptism](http://crossroads.net/baptism) or email [baptism@crossroads.net](mailto:baptism@crossroads.net).

PRAYER

Prayer is available after each service in your Auditorium seat. For other ways to receive prayer, or to find out about serving on the Prayer Team, go to [crossroads.net/prayer](http://crossroads.net/prayer). All requests are held in strict confidence.

*For more info on things happening around Crossroads, visit [crossroads.net](http://crossroads.net), or “like” us on Facebook at [facebook.com/crdschurch](https://facebook.com/crdschurch).*

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LAST WEDNESDAY

Join us for Last Wednesday, a time of worship through music, prayer and communion on the last Wednesday of the month at Crossroads Oakley. Childcare’s provided; dinner’s not.

SEPTEMBER 28, 7PM

your kids will  
LOVE  
this

**Kids’ Club** is for ALL kids, regardless of their personality, energy level or special needs. All kids with unique needs can be paired with a buddy, an adult volunteer that will work with their parents to develop a specific plan so that they can participate in Kids’ Club as fully as possible.

**In Mason:** Special Needs is offered at the 9am service.

**In Oakley:** Special Needs is offered at the 4:30pm service on Saturday, and the 10 and 11:45am services on Sunday.

*To register your child or to serve as a special needs buddy, email [special@crossroads.net](mailto:special@crossroads.net).*



THE  
'STRONG'  
CHALLENGE

**The Strong Challenge**  
—this year’s all-church journey—  
begins October 8–9.

HOST A TEAM.

No expertise needed. Sign up as a host at [strongchallenge.com](http://strongchallenge.com), then attend (optional but super helpful) Host Training on Oct. 8 from 9am–noon at Crossroads Oakley. Childcare is provided.

JOIN A TEAM.

The Strong Challenge is designed to be experienced together. Expand or disband your existing small group, start a new one with friends, or find one using the “Find A Home Team” tool on [strongchallenge.com](http://strongchallenge.com).

For more information, visit the Info Center or [strongchallenge.com](http://strongchallenge.com).

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