



It's time to find *Common Ground*!

This Fall, we're offering four unique groups, centered on four unique settings. No agenda, just time together. Pick one to enjoy or explore them all! Advanced notice of interest is helpful but never required. These groups are designed to be an intergenerational opportunity for fun and relationship building. All are welcome: guests, new believers, those in the Franklin community, and established church members alike - we are all on Common Ground! We can't wait to see you there! Please reach out to the contact listed below for each group to express your interest.

College Football Saturdays

There's no better way to spend Saturday than watching the game and eating good food with friends!

Location: Neighbors Franklin
(4031 Aspen Grove Drive, Suite 162, Franklin)
Contact: Brennan Perkins
(brennan@christumcfranklin.org)
Frequency: Weekly
Duration: 6 weeks on Saturdays, 11am - 3pm
(We will not meet Nov. 7, due to All Church Retreat)
Start Date: Saturday, October 10, 2026

Crafting Group

This is a low stake, guided Fall-themed craft. All materials will be provided. You don't have to be a Picasso to let your creative side shine- come make friends and take a cute craft home with you!

Location: Christ UMC Children's Commons
(Please enter at downstairs Nursery/Choir door)
Contact: Rachel Salmon Parks
(rachel@christumcfranklin.org)
Frequency: Weekly
Duration: 6 weeks on Mondays, 6pm - 7:30pm
Start Date: Monday, October 12, 2026

Pub with the Pastor

A casual setting for conversation and questions with our senior Pastor, Chris Haynes. Grab a beer or some fries, get curious and have some fun!

Location: The Factory at Franklin Bar
(230 Franklin Road, Franklin)
Contact: Chris Haynes
(chris@christumcfranklin.org)
Frequency: Weekly
Duration: 6 weeks on Mondays, 6pm - 7:30pm
Start Date: Monday, October 12, 2026

Get Outside Hiking and Walking Group

As the Fall weather is upon us, it's finally time to get outside and take a stroll! This group meets at various locations across the greater Franklin area to walk the beautiful parks & trails that our community has to offer!

Locations:

- Week 1 (Oct. 10) - Judge Fulton Greer Park (near the Franklin Rec. Center)
- Week 2 (Oct. 17) - Preservation Park (Thompson Station)
- Week 3 (Oct. 24) - Crockett Park (Brentwood)
- Week 4 (Oct. 31) - Bicentennial Park (Franklin)
- No meet-up on Nov. 7, due to All Church Retreat
- Week 6 (Nov. 14) - Pinkerton Park (Franklin)

Contact: Rachel Salmon Parks
(rachel@christumcfranklin.org)

Frequency: Weekly
Duration: 6 weeks on Saturdays, 10am - 12:00pm
Start Date: Saturday, October 10, 2026

FALL COMMON GROUND GROUPS

October & November 2026

OCTOBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Get Outside Judge Fulton Greer Park College Football 11am-3pm
11	12 Pub with the Pastor 6-7:30pm Crafting Group 6-7:30pm	13	14	15	16	17 Get Outside Preservation Park College Football 11am-3pm
18	19 Pub with the Pastor 6-7:30pm Crafting Group 6-7:30pm	20	21	22	23	24 Get Outside Crockett Park College Football 11am-3pm
25	26 Pub with the Pastor 6-7:30pm Crafting Group 6-7:30pm	27	28	29	30	31 Get Outside Bicentennial Park College Football 11am-3pm

NOVEMBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Pub with the Pastor 6-7:30pm Crafting Group 6-7:30pm	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 Pub with the Pastor 6-7:30pm Crafting Group 6-7:30pm	10	11	12	13	14 Get Outside Pinkerton Park College Football 11am-3pm
15	16 Pub with the Pastor 6-7:30pm Crafting Group 6-7:30pm	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Get Outside

Saturdays, 10am-12pm
Oct 10 – Nov 14 - 6 weeks

A different park each week (see calendar)
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