

More Upcoming CFC Events & Ministry Announcements...



CFC Kids Memory Verse Challenge - John 20:31 - Unit 18

Kids can recite John 20:31 on Sunday mornings from March 1 through April 12 to receive a prize from the treasure drawer.

VBS Volunteer Signups are Open Until March 31

Now is the time to sign up to volunteer at VBS! VBS will take place June 22-25 from 9 a.m. to noon for kids ages 4 through completed 5th grade. It takes many hands to pull off VBS each summer and there are opportunities to serve all week or just one day as your schedule allows! There is nursery care available for volunteers if you have a child younger than 4 years old. Please register in the Church Center App by March 31.

CFC Kids - Good Friday Service - April 3

CFC Kids will be offered during our Good Friday Service on Friday, April 3 for preschool children. Registration will close on Tuesday, March 31 so we can arrange the correct number of childcare workers. Please register in the Church Center App. Reach out to Sarah Beth Shepard (sb@cfcbirmingham.org) with any questions.

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Prayer Meeting & Fellowship Meal – Sunday, March 29 at 5:00pm



All are invited to join us for a prayer meeting and fellowship meal on Sunday, March 29 with dinner starting at 4:45pm. Dinner is free, but please RSVP at this QR code to help us order the correct amount of food. Childcare will be available for kids elementary ages and down.



College Lunch - Sunday, March 22

All college students are invited to a free meal in the fellowship hall immediately following the service next Sunday, March 22.



Men's Golf Outing - Friday, March 20

Men, join us for an afternoon on the golf course on Friday, March 20 at Oak Mountain State Park. We will have multiple sets of consecutive tee times beginning at 12:10pm. Please register in the Church Center app as there are only 24 spots available, first come, first served.

Men's Regional Lunches

Men, join us at one of our regional lunches throughout the metro area as a way to connect with other men at CFC over good food. You can register for these lunches at the link in the midweek email. Reach out to Jared Jones (jjones@cfcbirmingham.org) with any questions.

Men's Work Day - Saturday, March 28

Men, we would love your help on Saturday, March 28 as we do some work in and around the building. Biscuits will be provided at 7:30am. More information will be sent the week of about the specific projects we will be working on and what tools will be helpful to bring.



Youth Continues Tonight

Youth meets tonight from 5:00-7:00pm. Join us for Bible Study, dinner, and games!



Global Outreach Opportunities

If you are interested in joining CFC's global outreach efforts in 2026, there are two opportunities to be aware of. Rachel Hagues (rachjoy@gmail.com) will be leading 1 or 2 trips to Tanzania to work in our partnership with the girl's school in Ukerewe. Jess Mann (jessehmann@gmail.com) will be leading the medical and evangelistic outreach trip to Brazil in August. Now is the time to inquire about both trips so if you are interested in these opportunities, please contact them directly.

Sunday, March 15, 2026

Pre-Service Music (*please remain seated)

"Grace Greater Than Our Sin" Johnston & Towner

Welcome Jonathan Shepard

Time of Silent Reflection

Call to Worship

- ⁵ *Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD,
your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones!*
- ⁶ *For who in the skies can be compared to the LORD?
Who among the heavenly beings is like the LORD,
a God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones,
and awesome above all who are around him?*
- ⁸ *O LORD God of hosts,
who is mighty as you are, O LORD,
with your faithfulness all around you?*
- ⁹ *You rule the raging of the sea;
when its waves rise, you still them. (Psalm 89:5-9)*

Prayer of Invocation & Adoration

God's Greeting & Mutual Greetings

³ *Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 1:3)*

"On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand" Stennett & White

"Christ The Sure and Steady Anchor" Boswell & Papa

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again from the dead.**

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

[*that is the true Christian church of all times and all places]

Baptisms Caroline Long, Trey Long, & Eduardo Lourido

²¹ *Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him. (1 Peter 3:21-22)*

“All Sufficient Merit” Barnard & Fowler

Prayer for Illumination Will Mitchell

Reading of the Preaching Passage Mark 4:35-5:43

Preaching of God's Word Bart Box

The Lord's Supper

“Only A Holy God” Robinson, Thompson, Smith, & Farren

Offering

^{8:9} *For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8:9)*

^{9:7} *Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

⁸ *And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. (2 Corinthians 9:7-8)*

Prayer of Intercession Will Kynes

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom
and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

Benediction

¹⁹ *“Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.” (Mark 5:19)*

“Doxology” Bourgeois & Ken

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. Visitors and members alike are encouraged to fellowship with one another after the service. If you would like to speak with a pastor about a need in your life or for prayer, one will be available at the front of the room.

Additional Explanatory Notes of Worship Elements

The Lord's Supper

We celebrate the Lord's Supper every Lord's Day as part of our worship and witness. The Lord's Supper is an occasion for believers in Christ to be reminded of Jesus' death in our place, to be strengthened by the promise of His coming, and to be renewed toward God and one another. All who have identified with Christ in baptism and who are in good standing with a local church that preaches the gospel are welcome at the Table.

If you are not a follower of Jesus, we invite you to spend this time in prayer reflecting on the Word that has been preached and the great offer of salvation in Jesus Christ. If you feel so inclined, we invite you to offer the following prayer to God:

“Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.”

This Week We're Praying...

For Our Church

For the elders of our church, that these men would all care for this body by teaching the Word of Christ to us and by modeling the character of Christ before us, that they would guard and promote unity in our congregation, and that as a body we would support and submit to their leadership.

For Our City

For Shades Mountain Baptist Church, their pastor, George Wright, their elders, staff, and congregation.

For Our Nation

For the preservation of religious liberty in our nation, so that we may live peaceful and quiet lives, godly and dignified in every way (1 Tim. 2:2); and that God would strengthen and purify the American church so that it would remain faithful to the Great Commission even if those liberties are taken away.

For Our World

For gospel partners in China, for open doors to spread the gospel among unreached peoples in remote mountain areas, for their protection from persecuting authorities and their sustained presence in unchurched regions so that they may work long-term in the church planting task.

