

## More Upcoming CFC Events & Ministry Announcements...



### **Spring Held Gathering - Thursday, April 30**


Ladies, join us this Thursday, April 30 for dinner, a time of worship, and to hear from Bethany Broderick. Bethany is a local writer, speaker, professor, and, most importantly, a disciple of Christ. Bethany is the author of *Perfected: Trading Shame and Striving for Wholeness in Christ*. She will encourage us, through biblical teaching alongside her own personal testimony, in how to set aside efforts to be good enough by trusting that Christ is enough. Register on the Church Center App.

### **Summer Bible Study - Wednesday Evenings Beginning May 15**


Janet Thorn is leading an evening study of the names of God on Wednesdays this summer, starting May 15. Email Janet (janetthorn7@gmail.com) for further details.

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### **Prayer Meeting & Fellowship Meal – Sunday, May 3 at 5:00pm**

 All are invited to join us for a prayer meeting and fellowship meal on Sunday, May 3 with dinner starting at 4:45pm. Dinner is free, but please RSVP as soon as possible at this QR code to help us order the correct amount of food. Childcare will be available for kids elementary ages and down.

### **Singles and Young Adults Cookout – Sunday, May 17 at 4:30pm**


 All singles and young adults are invited to a cookout at Jonathan and Charlie Ann Shepard's house on Sunday, May 17 at 4:30pm. Dinner will be provided and there will be several yard games as we enjoy an evening of fellowship with one another. You can register at this QR code or in the Church Center App.



### **CFC Kids Memory Verse Challenge - John 3:16 - Unit 19**

Kids can recite John 3:16 on Sunday mornings from April 19 through May 10 to receive a prize from the treasure drawer.

### **VBS 2026 - June 22-25 9am-12:00pm**

 VBS Registration is open for CFC families. VBS will take place June 22-25 from 9am - noon. Kids ages 4 by June 22 through completed 5th grade are welcome to participate. You can register and find more information at this QR code or on the Church Center App. Registration for non-CFC families will open May 7.

### **More VBS Volunteers Needed!**

We are still trying to fill the following VBS volunteer roles: 4 yr old bible study, Pre-K bible study, and Kindergarten bible study. Some of these are even just two day needs. We are so close! Please sign up on the Church Center app or at the link in the midweek email.



### **Youth Continues Tonight**

Youth meets tonight from 5:00-7:00pm. Join us for Bible Study, dinner, and games! Reach out to Billy Shepard (bshepard@cfcbirmingham.org) with any questions.



### **College Lunch - Today!**

All college students are invited to College Lunch immediately following the service today. Lunch is free! Reach out to Jonathan Shepard (jshepard@cfcbirmingham.org) with any questions.

## Sunday, April 26, 2026

### **Pre-Service Music** (\*please remain seated)

“We’re Redeemed”

Hooten & Heine

### **Welcome**

Will Kynes

### **Time of Silent Reflection**

### **Call to Worship**

<sup>1</sup> *Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.*

<sup>2</sup> *Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.*

<sup>3</sup> *The voice of the LORD is over the waters;  
the God of glory thunders,  
the LORD, over many waters.*

<sup>4</sup> *The voice of the LORD is powerful;  
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.*

<sup>5</sup> *The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.*

<sup>6</sup> *He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,  
and Sirion like a young wild ox.*

<sup>7</sup> *The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.*

<sup>8</sup> *The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.*

<sup>9</sup> *The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth  
and strips the forests bare,  
and in his temple all cry, “Glory!” (Psalm 29:1-9)*

### **Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

### **God’s Greeting & Mutual Greetings**

<sup>3</sup> *Grace, mercy, and peace will be with us, from God the Father and from Jesus Christ the Father's Son, in truth and love. (2 John 1:3)*

“Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee”

Van Dyke

“His Mercy Is More”

Boswell & Papa

**Public Reading of Scripture**

Isaiah 1:12-17

**Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon**

Levi Bailey

<sup>9</sup> *The heart is deceitful above all things,  
and desperately sick;  
who can understand it?*

<sup>10</sup> *“I the LORD search the heart  
and test the mind,*

*to give every man according to his ways,  
according to the fruit of his deeds.” (Jeremiah 17:9-10)*

<sup>7</sup> *“Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD,  
whose trust is the LORD.*

<sup>8</sup> *He is like a tree planted by water,  
that sends out its roots by the stream,  
and does not fear when heat comes,  
for its leaves remain green,*

*and is not anxious in the year of drought,  
for it does not cease to bear fruit.” (Jeremiah 17:7-8)*

**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]

“Rock of Ages”

Hastings & Toplady

“Speak O Lord”

Getty & Townend

**Prayer for Illumination**

Will Mitchell

**Reading of the Preaching Passage**

Mark 7:1-23

**Preaching of God's Word**

Bart Box

**The Lord’s Supper**

“Jesus Paid It All”

Grape, Hall, & Nifong

**Offering**

<sup>8:9</sup> ***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)

<sup>9:7</sup> ***Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not  
reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.***  
<sup>8</sup> ***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**

Lev Bragg

**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**

<sup>23</sup> *They shall not defile themselves anymore with their idols and their  
detestable things, or with any of their transgressions. But I will save  
them from all the backslidings in which they have sinned, and will  
cleanse them; and they shall be my people, and I will be their God.  
(Ezekiel 37:23)*

“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.

**This Week We’re Praying...**

***For Our Church***

For those experiencing grief and loss in our congregation, that God would give them hope and trust in Him, and that God would use our church to bear burdens faithfully.

***For Our City***

For Mountain Brook Community Church, their pastor, Tim Kallam, their elders, staff, and congregation.

***For Our Nation***

For police officers, firefighters, and first responders, that the Lord would help them to look after the good of others as they serve and protect; that they would be consistent in maintaining peace and just order; and that God would protect them as they serve in dangerous situations.

***For Our World***

For the nation of Yemen, for an end to violence and war that adversely affects domestic affairs as well as regional relationships, for the gospel to spread, and for the few believers in Yemen to remain steadfast in their faith.

