**More Upcoming CFC Events & Ministry Announcements**

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***Information Breakfast for Ongoing Service Opportunity – November 3***

Red Mountain Grace is a local charity seeking to show Christian hospitality to those who are traveling far from home to receive long term medical treatment in Birmingham. Friends from Red Mountain Grace will join us for breakfast from 9:00-10:00am on Sunday, November 3rd in the CFC Fellowship Hall to discuss ways that CFC can serve alongside them. Breakfast is free, and childcare will be provided. Please RSVP on Church Center.

***Cross Con 2025***

Cross Con is a conference designed to call this generation to make their lives count. Brian G. will be leading a group from CFC to attend this year’s conference from January 2-4, 2025, in Louisville, Kentucky. Cross is designed for college and grad-school students as well as young professionals who want to engage with others and hear from speakers such as John Piper, David Platt, Trip Lee, Kevin DeYoung and others with an emphasis on the gospel, the local church, and the nations. We will be putting together a group to attend and now is the time to register, which you can do on the Church Center app.

***ABCH Christmas Gift Signups Coming This Week***

Each year, we have the opportunity to support children and moms who are in the care of one of our local partners, the Alabama Baptist Children's Home. The signup list will go out in this week’s midweek email. There are many gifts to be bought, which means ample opportunities for many of us to be involved! If you have questions, you can email Keri Westbrook at kwestbrook@cfcbirmingham.org.

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***Membership Matters Class – Sunday, November 10 at 2:00pm***

If you are interested in becoming a member at CFC, we are planning to hold a Membership Matters class on Sunday, November 10 at 2:00pm. Attending this class is an important part of the process of becoming a member of Christ Fellowship Church. If you are interested in attending, please sign up at cfcbirmingham.org/membership-matters, or email Nick Murray at nmurray@cfcbirmingham.org with any questions.

***Equip Continues Tonight***

The Fall semester of our Sunday evening Equip classes continues tonight. Dinner is served beginning at 4:45pm. The meal will be Mr. Chens, plus pizza for kids, so plan accordingly! Classes begin at 5:35pm and will conclude at 6:25pm.

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

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***20s/30s Friendsgiving Potluck***

There will be a 20s/30s friendsgiving potluck on Friday, November 15th, at 7pm. It will be hosted at Drew and Madi Allen's home. To RSVP and sign up for a dish, go to the link in your midweek email. Please text Stephanie Palmer at (864) 237-5642 with any questions.

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***CFC Kids and Youth Mission Morning – November 9***

In partnership with Christian Service Mission, we are planning aMission Morning on November 9 from 8:45-11:00 at Glen Iris Elementary School!

* This service project is for kids and students in 2nd grade and up. A parent must accompany their child for kids 2nd-5th grades during the Mission Morning. Youth students can be dropped off, (although we'd love those parents to stay too!) We will be taking care of a lot of cleaning inside and outside of the school during our time there.
* The projects we need to complete, will only be age appropriate for those in 2nd grade and up. However, if you'd like to get younger kids involved, we are going to collect donations for the school in advance! The school has mentioned they needhand sanitizer, Kleenex, and Clorox wipes. We will have a donation bin available in the lobby near the coffee station on Sunday morning until our service project date.

Sign up on church center. Your sign up will help us plan project groups in advance and is required! For any questions you can reach out to Sarah Beth Shepard.

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***Men’s Golf Outing – Friday, November 15***

We are hosting a men's golf outing at RTJ at Oxmoor Valley on Friday, November 15th. We have tee times from 12:00 to 12:50. The cost is $50. These 24 slots are first-come, first-served, so register early. Register on Church Center. Email Jared Jones at [jjones@cfcbirmingham.org](mailto:jjones@cfcbirmingham.org) with questions.

**Sunday, October 27, 2024**

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

“Better Is One Day” Redman

**Welcome** Brian G.

**Time of Silent Reflection**

**Call to Worship**

*1God is our refuge and strength,*

*a very present help in trouble.*

*2Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,*

*though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,*

*3though its waters roar and foam,*

*though the mountains tremble at its swelling.*

*4There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,*

*the holy habitation of the Most High.*

*5God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;*

*God will help her when morning dawns.*

*6The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;*

*he utters his voice, the earth melts.*

***7The LORD of hosts is with us;***

***the God of Jacob is our fortress.***

*8Come, behold the works of the LORD,*

*how he has brought desolations on the earth.*

*9He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;*

*he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;*

*he burns the chariots with fire.*

*10“Be still, and know that I am God.*

*I will be exalted among the nations,*

*I will be exalted in the earth!”*

***11The LORD of hosts is with us;***

***the God of Jacob is our fortress.***(Psalm 46)

**Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

**God’s Greeting & Mutual Greetings**

*3Oh, magnify the LORD with me,*

*and let us exalt his name together!* (Psalm 34:3)

“Nothing But the Blood” Lowry

“Psalm 23” David

**The Apostles’ Creed** Bart Box

**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** Carly Stanback & Evelyn Buie

*18And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”* (Matthew 28:18-20)

“There Is a Fountain” Cowper

“Man of Sorrows” Bliss & Mapes

**Prayer for Illumination** Will Mitchell

**Reading of the Preaching Passage**

**Preaching of God’s Word** Bart Box

Beginnings: “An Outrageous Thing in Israel”

Genesis 34

**The Lord’s Supper**

“Is He Worthy?” Peterson & Shive

**Offering**

***9For 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)

***7Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8And 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** Jared Jones

**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**

*20He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! 21The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.* (Revelation 22:20-21)

“Doxology” Bourgeois & Ken

We are pleased that you have joined 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**

***Baptism***

Baptism is a visual of the gospel story and a powerful reminder to the church of their identity with the crucified and risen Christ. The sacrificial death of Jesus and His victorious, bodily resurrection from the dead form the backdrop to baptism as believers are symbolically united to their Redeemer. Baptism in no way saves us, but it does call attention to the One who has saved us. If you know Jesus as Savior but have never been baptized, please speak with an elder after the service. If you are a baptized believer, rejoice today as you are reminded of your salvation in and through Jesus Christ. To God be the glory!

**This Week We’re Praying…**

***For Our Church***

For members of our church who are currently enduring trials and suffering of various kinds: that God would draw near to them, hold them fast, and strengthen their faith during this time; that their fellow church members would join in sharing their burdens; that they would grow in their faith in God’s promises; and that God would providentially work these trials for the good of those that suffer and for God’s glory.

***For Our City***

For Redeemer Community Church, pastor Joel Brooks, their staff, elders, and congregation.

***For Our Nation***

For the abolition of human trafficking in our country, that God would intervene and break the power of the wicked perpetrators of these actions, that the full measure of justice would be brought upon those guilty of these crimes, and that victims would be rescued and rehabilitated to the dignity they deserve as God’s image bearers.

***For Our World***

For CFC sent partners C&D serving in the Middle East, for advances in their language learning, for greater opportunities to share the gospel through their community, and for local members of their house church to be bold in the face of government pressure.

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