**More Upcoming CFC Events & Ministry Announcements**

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***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 Available Now***

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. You can sign up to buy a gift at the link in your midweek email. Gifts need to be unwrapped, with a post-it note or sticker with the recipient's name somewhere on the gift, and brought to church and dropped off at the table in the commons any Sunday morning from now until December 1st. There are many gifts to be bought, which means ample opportunities for many of us to be involved! 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](mailto:kwestbrook@cfcbirmingham.org).

***Thanksgiving Host Homes for Internationals***

If you are interested in hosting a small group of international students for a Thanksgiving meal on a day within the dates of November 17-28 please contact Dennis Schauer at 205-527-6845, or by email at

[schauer.dennis@gmail.com](mailto:schauer.dennis@gmail.com) for more details.  If you know you would like to host already, fill out the form in your midweek email.

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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.

***Prayer Meeting & Fellowship Meal – Tonight 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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***College Worship Night – Thursday, November 14***

All college students are invited to a college worship on Thursday, November 14 at 8:00pm in the youth room. If you have any questions, contact Jonathan at (205) 792-6403.

***College Thanksgiving Lunch – Sunday, November 17 after Church***

All college students are invited to a free Thanksgiving lunch immediately following the service on Sunday, November 17, in the fellowship hall. If you have any questions, contact Jonathan at (205) 792-6403.

**Sunday, November 3, 2024**

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

“The Solid Rock” Mote

**Welcome** Billy Shepard

**Time of Silent Reflection**

**Call to Worship**

*1Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory,*

*for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!*

*2Why should the nations say,*

*“Where is their God?”*

*3Our God is in the heavens;*

*he does all that he pleases.*

*4Their idols are silver and gold,*

*the work of human hands.*

*5They have mouths, but do not speak;*

*eyes, but do not see.*

*6They have ears, but do not hear;*

*noses, but do not smell.*

*7They have hands, but do not feel;*

*feet, but do not walk;*

*and they do not make a sound in their throat.*

*8Those who make them become like them;*

*so do all who trust in them.* (Psalm 115:1-8)

**Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

**God’s Greeting & Mutual Greetings**

*12The LORD has remembered us; he will bless us;*

*he will bless the house of Israel;*

*he will bless the house of Aaron;*

*13he will bless those who fear the LORD,*

*both the small and the great.* (Psalm 115:12-13)

“Revive Us Again” Adler, Husband, and MacKay

“My Worth Is Not in What I Own” Getty & Kendrick

**Public Reading of Scripture** – Isaiah 44:9-20

**Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon** Nick Murray

*4Therefore speak to them and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Any one of the house of Israel who takes his idols into his heart and sets the stumbling block of his iniquity before his face, and yet comes to the prophet, I the LORD will answer him as he comes with the multitude of his idols, 5that I may lay hold of the hearts of the house of Israel, who are all estranged from me through their idols.* (Ezekiel 14:4-5)

*25I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you.*

(Ezekiel 36:25)

**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]

“Before the Throne of God Above” Bancroft & Cook

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” Mason & Watts

**Prayer for Illumination** Will Mitchell

**Reading of the Preaching Passage**

**Preaching of God’s Word** Bart Box

Beginnings: “A Holy Nation, for the Sake of the Nations”

Genesis 35-36

**The Lord’s Supper**

“Here Is Love Vast as the Ocean” Rees, Giles, Rives, & Lowry

**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** Will Johnston

**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**

*1May God be gracious to us and bless us*

*and make his face to shine upon us,*

*2that your way may be known on earth,*

*your saving power among all nations.*

*3Let the peoples praise you, O God;*

*let all the peoples praise you!*

*4Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,*

*for you judge the peoples with equity*

*and guide the nations upon earth.* (Psalm 67:1-4)

“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.

**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 Urban Hope Community Church, pastor Alton Hardy, their staff, elders, and congregation.

***For Our Nation***

For this week’s presidential election, that God would supply the best individual to lead our country during these times, that God would prevent the further fracturing of our country along political lines by granting unexpected unity, and that Christians would lead the way in modeling that our trust is not in any human leader or political party but in the Lord Jesus alone.

***For Our World***

For the far-reaching impact of our presidential election and the effects that it has around the world: for the relationships between our leaders and the leaders of other nations, for the policy changes that will affect regional conflicts and international disputes, for how any transition of power will affect cooperation between nations, and for life to flourish for many who are impacted by U.S. politics.

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