**More Upcoming CFC Events & Ministry Announcements**

***50+ Fellowship Meal – Saturday, February 15th at 6:00pm***

All adults 50 or older are invited to a 50+ fellowship on Saturday, February 15th, at 6:00 pm at the home of Mac and Jan Morson. Bring a dish and come and gather for dinner, fellowship, and fun! To sign up for a dish or get further information, email Donna Lefebvre at [dlefebvre907@gmail.com](mailto:dlefebvre907@gmail.com).

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***Women’s Winter Bible Study Options***

Ladies, join us for one of two Bible studies this semester:

1. **Day Time Study: Exodus, Part 2 (Exodus 16-21)**

* Dates: January 15—March 19
* Time: Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:15am
* Led by Paige Herr
* Meets at the church building; childcare is provided
* There is no need to have completed the Exodus, pt.1 Study to come!

1. **Night Time Study: Trinity Theology Study**

* Dates: January 27—March 19
* Time: Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30pm
* Led by Brittany Mann; meets in her home
* We’ll study Michael Reeves’ book *Delighting in the Trinity* (purchase your own copy of the book)

Register for either study at cfcbirmingham.org/women or on the Church Center app!

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***Prayer Meeting & Fellowship Meal – Tonight at 5:00pm***

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***Membership Matters Class – Monday, February 3 at 6:00pm***

If you are interested in becoming a member at CFC, we are planning to hold a Membership Matters class on Monday, February 3 at 6:00pm. 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.

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***Tanzania Trip – May-June 2025***

CFC is sending an interdisciplinary team to Tanzania May 22 – June 3. The goal of this trip is multifaceted: 1) come alongside the local church to equip and encourage Christ-followers in applying biblical truth to their lives; 2) empower students at Tumaini Jipya be able to find their worth in Christ through workshops, games, and teaching; 3) teach local young adults on biblical manhood and womanhood; 4) begin laying the foundation for a medical mission partnership that would serve people with little access to healthcare. Please reach out to Rachel Hagues at rachjoy@gmail.com if you are interested.

***Himalayan Outreach Update Meeting – Sunday, March 9 at 9:00am***

Join us on Sunday, March 9th, at 9:00am for an update about needs, opportunities, and strategy developments for CFC's outreach efforts in the Himalayas. All ages are welcome. Breakfast will be provided. Please register on the Church Center App.

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***Men's Theology Breakfast***

Men, theology breakfast is returning, starting on Tuesday, February 18th. We’ll meet weekly on Tuesdays, starting at 6:20am, and finishing at 7:15am. The book will be *The Wonderful Works of God* by Herman Bavinck. Come for food, fellowship, and fruitful discussion of God and His Word. Registration is $32.50, which covers the cost of the book. There is also a small suggested weekly donation to cover ongoing food costs. You can register in the church center app. If you already have the book, reach out to Keri ([kwestbrook@cfcbirmingham.org](mailto:kwestbrook@cfcbirmingham.org)) for a discount code.

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***College Student Game Night – Thursday, February 6***

All college students are invited to a game night on Thursday, February 6th at 7:00pm at the church. Dinner will be provided. Reach out to Jonathan at (205) 792-6403 with any questions.

**Sunday, February 2, 2025**

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

“Come Ye Sinners” Hart & Owen

**Welcome** Bart Box

**Time of Silent Reflection**

**Call to Worship**

*[8] Good and upright is the LORD;*

*therefore he instructs sinners in the way.*

*[9] He leads the humble in what is right,*

*and teaches the humble his way.*

*[10] All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,*

*for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.*

(Psalm 25:8–10)

**Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

**God’s Greeting & Mutual Greetings**

*[12] Who is the man who fears the LORD?*

*Him will he instruct in the way that he should choose.*

*[13] His soul shall abide in well-being,*

*and his offspring shall inherit the land.*

*[14] The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him,*

*and he makes known to them his covenant.* (Psalm 25:12–14)

“Revive Us Again” Adler, Husband, & MacKay

“All Sufficient Merit” Barnard & Fowler

**Public Reading of Scripture** – Genesis 37:17b-28

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

*[11] God is a righteous judge,*

*and a God who feels indignation every day.*

*[12] If a man does not repent, God will whet his sword;*

*he has bent and readied his bow.* (Psalm 7:11–12)

*[21] But if a wicked person turns away from all his sins that he has committed and keeps all my statutes and does what is just and right, he shall surely live; he shall not die. [22] None of the transgressions that he has committed shall be remembered against him; for the righteousness that he has done he shall live. [23] Have I any pleasure in the death of the wicked, declares the Lord GOD, and not rather that he should turn from his way and live?* (Ezekiel 18:21–23)

**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]

“Jesus Paid It All” Grape, Nifong, & Hall

“Speak, O Lord” Getty & Townend

**Prayer for Illumination** Will Mitchell

**Reading of the Preaching Passage**

**Preaching of God’s Word** Bart Box

Beginnings: “A Changed Man”

Genesis 44

**The Lord’s Supper**

“All I Have Is Christ” Kauflin

**Offering**

***[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)

***[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 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**

*[23] Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. [24] He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.* (1 Thessalonians 5:23-24)

“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**

***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 our church, that God would mark us as a people who are constantly repenting from sin in our lives, that we would not grow complacent with areas of rebellion in our own lives, that we would bear increased fruit by God’s Spirit, and that we would continually turn toward Christ to receive mercy and pardon.

***For Our City***

For Dawson Memorial Baptist Church, pastor David Eldridge, 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 the nation of Saudi Arabia, for an openness from the government that allows more gospel workers to reside in the country, for more people to hear and to receive the gospel, and for the church to grow and thrive.

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