**More Upcoming CFC Events & Ministry Announcements**

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***Women’s Bible Studies for April & May***

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

1. **Day Time Study: Exodus, Part 3, led by Paige Herr**

* Dates: April 16–May 7
* Time: Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:15am
* Childcare is provided

1. **Nighttime Study: 3D Gospel Ministry, led by Haven Fox**

* Dates: April 14–May 5
* Time: Monday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm

Register for either study on the Church Center app!

***Spring Held Gathering – Thursday, May 1***

Ladies, please join us at 6:00pm on Thursday, May 1 for our Spring Held Gathering! We will enjoy dinner, a time of worship, and hear from Brooke Talley, founder of Songs in the Night, a ministry to widows. She will share her personal testimony of loss and new beginnings. Register on Church Center.

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***Membership Matters Class DATE CHANGE — Monday, May 5 at 6:00pm***

If you are interested in becoming a member at CFC, we are planning to hold a Membership Matters class on Monday, May 5 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.

***Prayer Meeting & Fellowship Meal – Sunday, May 4 at 5:00pm***

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AI-generated content may be incorrect.All are invited to join us for a prayer meeting and fellowship meal on Sunday, May 4th 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 aged and down.

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***VBS Registration is Now Open!***

VBS this year will encourage kids to look closely at the details of God’s amazing world and magnify, or proclaim, the greatness of God. We will learn together that God made us, loves us, forgives us, and is faithful to keep all His promises to us. VBS will take place June 23-26 from 9 a.m.-noon. Kids ages 4 (by September 1, 2024) through completed 5th grade are welcome! **VBS registration is currently open for CFC families. We will open registration to the community on May 8.** Register in the Church Center app.

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***Upcoming CFC Global Outreach Trip Opportunities***

* **Germany / July 19-26:**The goal of this trip is to connect with CFC Sent Partners serving in the Middle East for a week of encouragement, learning about ministry in the Arab world, and laboring together in local outreach to Arab tourists. Please reach out to Brian G. if you have questions.
* **Brazil / August 13-21:**The goal is to assist in planting and growing new churches in underprivileged communities by connecting with local people through medical and dental clinics. Medical experience is helpful but not necessary. It is also crucial to have non-medical brothers and sisters to support the work of the clinic and spend time establishing relationships and sharing the gospel. Please reach out to Jess Mann if you have questions.

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***Youth Meets Tonight***

Youth meets this Sunday from 5:00-7:00pm. Join us for Bible study, dinner, and games! Contact Billy Shepard with any questions.

***High School Dinner this Saturday***

The high school students will have a homemade pizza dinner at the Glorioso's home this Saturday, April 26th, at 6:00pm. We hope to see you there!

**Sunday, April 27, 2025**

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

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” Bridges, Elvey, & Thring

**Welcome** Jared Jones

**Time of Silent Reflection**

**Call to Worship**

*[1] In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. [2] Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. [3] And one called to another and said:*

*“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;*

*the whole earth is full of his glory!”*

*[4] And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. [5] And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”* (Isaiah 6:1–5)

**Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

**God’s Greeting & Mutual Greetings**

*[21] The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne*. (Revelation 3:21)

“Holy, Holy, Holy” Dykes & Heber

“Our Great God” Powell & Ortega

**Public Reading of Scripture** – Ezekiel 1:26-28

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

*[1] Thus says the LORD:*

*“Heaven is my throne,*

*and the earth is my footstool;*

*what is the house that you would build for me,*

*and what is the place of my rest?*

*[2] All these things my hand has made,*

*and so all these things came to be, declares the LORD.*

*But this is the one to whom I will look:*

*he who is humble and contrite in spirit*

*and trembles at my word.* (Isaiah 66:1–2)

*[16] Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.* (Hebrews 4:16)

**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

“Revelation Song” Riddle

**Prayer for Illumination** Will Mitchell

**Reading of the Preaching Passage**

**Preaching of God’s Word** Bart Box

Behold: “A Throne”

Revelation 4:1-11

**The Lord’s Supper**

“Behold Our God” Altrogge & Baird

**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** 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**

May you remain faithful, persevering in the face of opposition and overcoming by the blood of the Lamb, so that one day, not too distant from today, you may with all the saints behold in the new Jerusalem the face of Him who loves you and gave Himself for you, never to weep again, suffer again, or die again, only to reign forever with the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

“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.

**This Week We’re Praying…**

***For Our Church***

For our church, that we would faithfully do what we promise in our church covenant: that together we would draw near to God weekly in worship, that we would delight in the glory of God, depend on the presence of God, grow in the knowledge of God, and submit to the Word of God as the all-sufficient authority in our lives and in His church.

***For Our City***

For Iron City Church, pastor Isaac Adams, their staff, elders, and congregation.

***For Our Nation***

For the complex issue of immigration in our country, that God would grant wisdom to our elected and appointed officials for how to best address this issue, that they would uphold the human dignity of immigrants even as they seek to provide security for our country.

***For Our World***

For the nation of Venezuela, that God would bring order to this nation in the midst of great political instability and corrupt leadership, that wise and godly leaders would be invested with the power to lead, and that the gospel would spread through the country in the midst of much hopelessness.

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