**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!

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***Men's Theology Breakfast Back this Week***

Men, theology breakfast has returned! We’ll meet weekly on Tuesdays, starting at 6:20am, and finishing at 7:15am, in the Fellowship Hall.

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***Membership Matters Class – Tomorrow 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 – Tonight 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 tonight, 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***

* **Brazil Trip / August 13-21:**The goal of this trip 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.

***Tanzania Wish List and Donations***

We have a team from CFC going back to Tanzania in May and they would love your help in collecting supplies and necessary items for the trip. They have items on an Amazon wish list, which you can find on the link in your midweek email. Please follow the instructions from that email. All items need to be received by May 16. Contact Brittany Mann at [brittany.m.mann@gmail.com](mailto:brittany.m.mann@gmail.com) with any questions.

**Sunday, May 4, 2025**

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

“Agnus Dei” Smith

**Welcome** Nick Murray

**Time of Silent Reflection**

**Call to Worship**

*[8] “Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,*

*who was and is and is to come!”* (Revelation 4:8)

*[11] “Worthy are you, our Lord and God,*

*to receive glory and honor and power,*

*for you created all things,*

*and by your will they existed and were created.”* (Revelation 4:11)

*[9] “Worthy are you to take the scroll*

*and to open its seals,*

*for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God*

*from every tribe and language and people and nation,*

*[10] and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,*

*and they shall reign on the earth.”* (Revelation 5:9–10)

*[12] “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,*

*to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might*

*and honor and glory and blessing!”* (Revelation 5:12)

*[13] “To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb*

*be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”* (Revelation 5:13)

**Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

**God’s Greeting & Mutual Greetings**

*[3] Yet you are holy,*

*enthroned on the praises of Israel.* (Psalm 22:3)

“All Creatures of Our God and King” Francis, Draper, & Baird

“All Sufficient Merit” Barnard, Fowler, & Barnard

**Public Reading of Scripture** – Isaiah 53:4-12

**Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon** Ryan Childress

*[1] Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,*

*ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.*

*[2] Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;*

*worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.* (Psalm 29:1–2)

*[25] I, I am he*

*who blots out your transgressions for my own sake,*

*and I will not remember your sins.* (Isaiah 43:25)

**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]

“Before the Throne of God Above” Bancroft & Cook

“All Glory Be to Christ” Kensrue

**Prayer for Illumination** Will Mitchell

**Reading of the Preaching Passage**

**Preaching of God’s Word** Bart Box

Behold: “A Scroll”

Revelation 5:1-14

**The Lord’s Supper**

“Is He Worthy?” Peterson & Shive

**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** Jonathan Shepard

**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 college students as they leave from Birmingham for home or for mission work around the world this summer, that God would use this summer for those who are serving overseas to confirm their calling and to give them experiences that will help them toward a long-term future in mission work, and that God would use this summer for those who are returning home for work opportunities to advance His kingdom and prepare them for their vocational futures.

***For Our City***

For Grace Fellowship, pastor Joel Busby, their staff, elders, and congregation.

***For Our Nation***

For President Donald Trump, Governor Kay Ivey, Mayor Randall Woodfin, and all who are in high positions, that they would lead and govern justly, that we may lead peaceful and quiet lives, godly and dignified in every way.

***For Our World***

For our sent partners, Chris and Vickie serving in Ecuador, for an increase in the number of qualified and willing men to serve as elders in their church, for further growth in their small group ministries, and for students in Vickie's school to respond in faithful obedience as followers of Christ.

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