**More Upcoming CFC Events & Ministry Announcements**

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***Women’s Summer Bible Studies***

Join us for an in-depth study of Galatians in both a daytime and nighttime offering. Over several weeks this summer we will study the book of Galatians in an approachable study that we hope you can join no matter your summer schedule. We look forward to studying with you!  Childcare is available for daytime study **only**, so be sure to register yourself and your child/children. Choose to register for all weeks or only the weeks you can attend. Register at cfcbirmingham.org/women.

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***Brazil Mission Trip – October 9-17***

CFC is planning to send a team back to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from October 9-17. The goal is to connect with and evangelize people in underprivileged communities through short term medical and dental clinics. Medical experience is helpful but not necessary. It is just as crucial to have non-medical Christian brothers and sisters to support the work of the clinic and to spend focused time establishing relationships with locals through evangelism. If interested in going, please contact Jess Mann at [jessehmann@gmail.com](mailto:jessehmann@gmail.com).

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

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Description automatically generatedThis year at VBS kids will be challenged as they discover that God’s truth never changes and everyone needs Jesus. Adventure awaits each day as kids explore tide pools, spot orcas, fly kites, and watch the mighty waves crash up against the immovable Breaker Rock! **VBS will take place June 24-27 from 9 am-Noon.** Kids ages 4 (by September 1, 2024) through completed 5th grade are welcome! Register at this QR code.

***VBS Needs***

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Description automatically generatedWe are collecting donations to stock our VBS Volunteer Room to keep our volunteers hydrated, caffeinated, and well-fed! If you'd like to help out with VBS, but can't be there in person–this would be a great way to do so! To see the list of needed items, check out this QR code. If you'd like to include a note of encouragement to the volunteers with your contribution, we will hang it up in the volunteer room! Donations can be brought to the CFC Kids desk any time before VBS.

***Urgent Summer CFC Kids Needs***

We need help in CFC Kids from June-July in various spots on our CFC Kids team. If you have not been able to serve kids regularly this year, this would be a great opportunity to help and see what serving in CFC Kids is like! If you are a regular teacher in CFC Kids and would like to help out an additional week this summer, you can sign up too! **Use the link in your midweek email to sign up for specific dates and classrooms**.

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***Summer Men's Bible Study on Galatians***

Men, join us for a 7-week men’s Bible study through Galatians this summer. There will be two different meeting time options, starting June 11 & 13 (respectively) **Tuesday morning 6:30-7:30am and Thursday afternoon sometime between 11am-1pm.**Both will be at the church. If interested, please register on the Church Center app so we can get an idea on numbers. If you are interested in the Thursday option please select which of the three time options we have listed that works best for you (11-12, 11:30-12:30 or 12-1). Based on the responses we will determine what time the study on Thursday will happen. If you have any questions, please contact Dennis at [Dennis.Schauer@gmail.com](mailto:Dennis.Schauer@gmail.com).

**Sunday, June 9, 2024**

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

“You Said” Morgan

**Welcome** Billy Shepard

**Time of Silent Reflection**

**Call to Worship**

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

*and make his face to shine upon us, Selah*

*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. Selah*

*5Let the peoples praise you, O God;*

*let all the peoples praise you!*

*6The earth has yielded its increase;*

*God, our God, shall bless us.*

*7God shall bless us;*

*let all the ends of the earth fear him!* (Psalm 67)

**Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

**God’s Greeting & Mutual Greetings**

*13But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.* (Ephesians 2:13)

“By Faith” Getty & Townend

“On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand” Stennett

**Public Reading of Scripture** – Genesis 11:27–12:9

**Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon** Brian G.

*8By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.* (Hebrews 11:8)

*7Know then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham. 8And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, “In you shall all the nations be blessed.” 9So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.* (Galatians 3:7-9)

**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]

“He Will Hold Me Fast” Habershon & Merker

“Speak, O Lord” Getty & Townend

**Prayer for Illumination** Will Mitchell

**Reading of the Preaching Passage**

**Preaching of God’s Word** Bart Box

Beginnings: “It’s Hard to Believe”

Genesis 11:27–13:18

**The Lord’s Supper**

“Amazing Grace” Newton

**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** Keith Pearson

**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**

*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)

“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 continue to align our hearts with his heart for the nations, that our deepest desires would be for a day when the whole earth is filled with a knowledge of the glory of God as the waters cover the sea, that we would see the Great Commission as a blessing to take part in and not a burdensome command, and that God would use our church to fulfill his mission in claiming for Christ an inheritance of nations.

***For Our City***

For Dawson Memorial Baptist Church, pastor David Eldridge, their elders, staff, and congregation.

***For Our Nation***

For this week’s annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, that our churches would make decisions that reflect a commitment to both the grace and truth that are found in Jesus Christ, and that all that happens at the convention would preserve the witness of these churches and magnify the name of Jesus.

***For Our World***

For the nation of Nicaragua, for God’s provision for the many who face the adverse effects of poverty on a regular basis, for the government to fulfill its obligations to help the people rather than put continual restrictions up that make life more difficult for the people, and for the many children whose parents have left the country in search of work elsewhere in Central America. Also, for the pastors and churches we have partnered with through Compassion International to meet the difficult needs related to poverty, for the gospel to flourish through these partner churches as they disciple all of those in their care.

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