**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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***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 from 11:30am-12:30pm.**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).

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***Promotion Sunday – August 18***

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Description automatically generatedPromotion Sunday will take place Sunday, August 18. **We are still in need of more volunteers for this upcoming year in CFC Kids!** You can still sign up at this QR code. If you have questions or would like to talk more about what this commitment looks like, please email Sarah Beth.

***Mandatory CFC Kids Training – Sunday July 28 after Church***

Mandatory CFC Kids training will be Sunday, July 28 after the service with lunch provided. Please RSVP in the Church Center App and let us know if you can or cannot attend. There is a video option if you are unavailable on the 28th. Only one person per household is required to complete the training as no childcare is provided during this meeting.

***Pool Party for CFC Kids’ Volunteers & Families – Saturday, August 3***

If you are signed up to serve as a CFC Kids volunteer in 2024-2025, we hope you'll join us for the Kick Off Pool Party, Saturday, August 3. We will be there from 6:15-8:15 with pizza and popsicles provided! Please sign up in the Church Center App if you can attend so we know how much pizza to purchase.

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***Youth July Tribe Night Tonight***

The last 3 Sunday evenings in July (July 14th, 21st and 28th), the youth will meet from 5:00-6:45pm for dinner, Bible study, and games that we have turned into a competition that we are calling Tribes. We are so excited about how tribes will help bring our new 6th graders into the fold. If your student(s) plans to come to youth in July, it would be a great help to us to let us know! You can register for Tribes on the Church Center app.

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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).

**Sunday, July 21, 2024**

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

“We’re Redeemed” Hooten & Heine

**Welcome** Jared Jones

**Time of Silent Reflection**

**Call to Worship**

*1Blessed is the man*

*who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,*

*nor stands in the way of sinners,*

*nor sits in the seat of scoffers;*

*2but his delight is in the law of the LORD,*

*and on his law he meditates day and night.*

*3He is like a tree*

*planted by streams of water*

*that yields its fruit in its season,*

*and its leaf does not wither.*

*In all that he does, he prospers.*

*4The wicked are not so,*

*but are like chaff that the wind drives away.*

*5Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,*

*nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;*

*6for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,*

*but the way of the wicked will perish.* (Psalm 1)

**Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

**God’s Greeting & Mutual Greetings**

*7Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.* (Romans 15:7)

“Nothing but the Blood” Lowry

“This Is My Father’s World” Babcock & Murray

**Public Reading of Scripture** – Genesis 19:15-22

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

*32Remember Lot’s wife. 33Whoever seeks to preserve his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life will keep it.* (Luke 17:32-33)

*13He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, 14in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.* (Colossians 1:13-14)

**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]

“Jerusalem” Robinson, Thompson, & Kleyn

“Jesus, Thank You” Sczebel

**Prayer for Illumination** Will Mitchell

**Reading of the Preaching Passage**

**Preaching of God’s Word** Billy Shepard

Beginnings: “A Warning from Sodom”

Genesis 19

**The Lord’s Supper**

“Christ Is Mine Forevermore” Robinson & Thompson

**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** Brian G.

**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**

*14The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.* (2 Corinthians 13:14)

“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 the good work that he has been doing among our CFC Kids and CFC Youth this summer through things like camp and VBS, that the students who have come to faith in Christ this summer would grow in their knowledge and love for him, and that the seeds which have been planted in others would develop into saving faith.

***For Our City***

For Mountain Brook Community Church, pastor Tim Kallam, their elders, staff, and congregation.

***For Our Nation***

For president Joe Biden and all other elected officials, that they would use authority for the benefit of others; that they would act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly; and that they would exercise discernment and wisdom in governing our cities, states, and nation.

***For Our World***

For our Sent Partners C&E who are serving in the Middle East, for their upcoming move between cities in their country of service, that their family would transition smoothly and in healthy ways as they move, and for greater opportunities for the gospel as well as the support of the church in their new place of residence.

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