**More Upcoming CFC Events & Ministry Announcements**

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***Mid-East Strategy Update – Sunday, July 21 at 9:00am***

Come hear from CFC Sent Partners who live and serve in the Middle East on July 21st at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall. They will share stories about God's work in their place of service, ways we can pray for them, and ways we can strategically connect with the work they are leading. This is one of the key areas of focus for our global strategy at CFC. Breakfast will be provided. Children are welcome, we will have group childcare. If children will eat breakfast, please include them in the registration. Please register using the church center app.

***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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***No July Prayer Meeting***

We will not have a prayer meeting in the month of July. Our next prayer meeting will be on August 4th.

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***2024-2025 CFC Kids Volunteer Sign Ups***

It's time to prepare for a new year in CFC Kids! We are looking for 325 volunteers to serve once a month in one of our classroom groups.This QR code will take you to the form to sign up. **We need all forms to be completed by June 30.**A qr code with black and white squares

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Below are some important notes about serving in CFC Kids:

* You are committing to serve once a month from August 2024-July 2025.
* If you are expecting, or will welcome a baby in that time frame, still do complete the form. We will make adjustments for the time you need to be out!
* Only one form per household is needed, unless couples would like to serve in different places.
* Even if you are a current volunteer, we need a new sign-up form completed!

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***No Youth Tonight***

Youth will not meet tonight but will resume on July 14th.

***Youth July Tribe Nights***

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.

**Sunday, July 7, 2024**

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

“Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me” Farren, Thompson, Robinson

**Welcome** Bart Box

**Time of Silent Reflection**

**Call to Worship**

***1*** *Praise the Lord!*

*Praise, O servants of the Lord,*

*praise the name of the Lord!*

***2*** *Blessed be the name of the Lord*

*from this time forth and forevermore!*

***3*** *From the rising of the sun to its setting,*

*the name of the Lord is to be praised!*

***4*** *The Lord is high above all nations,*

*and his glory above the heavens!*

***5*** *Who is like the Lord our God,*

*who is seated on high,*

***6*** *who looks far down*

*on the heavens and the earth?*

***7*** *He raises the poor from the dust*

*and lifts the needy from the ash heap,*

***8*** *to make them sit with princes,*

*with the princes of his people.*

***9*** *He gives the barren woman a home,*

*making her the joyous mother of children.*

*Praise the Lord!* (Psalm 113)

**Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

**God’s Greeting & Mutual Greetings**

*2 Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.* (Hebrews 13:2)

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” van Dyke

“Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor” Boswell & Papa

**Public Reading of Scripture** – Luke 1:26-38

**Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon** Billy Shepard

***12*** *Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God.* ***13*** *But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.* (Hebrews 3:12-13)

***14*** *For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.* (Hebrews 3:14)

**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]

“Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul” Steele

“I Will Trust My Savior Jesus” Thompson, et al.

**Prayer for Illumination** Will Mitchell

**Reading of the Preaching Passage**

**Preaching of God’s Word** Bart Box

Beginnings: “This God Is Our God”

Genesis 18:1-15

**The Lord’s Supper**

“All Glory Be to Christ” Kensrue

**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** Dave Nix

**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**

*27“Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh. Is anything too hard for me?”* (Jeremiah 32:27)

“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 members of our church who are currently enduring trials and suffering of various kinds: that God would draw near to them, hold them fast, and strengthen their faith during this time; that their fellow church members would join in sharing their burdens; that they would grow in their faith in God’s promises; and that God would providentially work these trials for the good of those that suffer and for God’s glory.

***For Our City***

For Shades Mountain Baptist Church, pastor George Wright, their elders, staff, and congregation.

***For Our Nation***

For the people of this nation, that we would rightfully and appropriately give thanks for the freedoms that enjoy, that God-given rights would be faithfully and justly upheld across our nation, and that our freedoms as citizens of this nation would be leveraged for the greater good of our fellow citizens. For Christians in our land, pray that citizenship in God’s Kingdom would be cherished about all earthly citizenships so that we may be the best citizens for our neighbor.

***For Our World***

For the nation of Somalia, pray for an end to the violence and oppression that suppresses the freedoms and opportunities among the nations' citizens. Pray specifically for the targeted efforts to harass Christians to come to an end. Pray for a decrease in poverty and an increase in literacy, especially to aid in biblical understanding among people in Somalia.

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