



# COLE MILL ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023**

**9:00am GATHERING SONGS:** *All Hail the Power; Alleluia; I Need You More; Ancient of Days*

**9:30am WORSHIP**

## **GATHERING**

*No Other Gods*

*Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah #3*

*I Exalt Thee #62*

*I Stand in Awe #96*

Congregational Prayer of Confession

*Be Exalted, O God #61*

*He Is Exalted #60*

*I Sing Praises #97*

*Open the Eyes of My Heart*

## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

Prayer – Tim Wood

1 Kings 11:1-10 – Dene Haugland

Sermon – Ben Fike

**“The Comforts of Idolatry”**

*Jesus, Son of God*

## **THE TABLE OF THE LORD**

Communion Meditation – Luke Smith

*All To Us*

Family Prayer Time – John Beyer

## SENDING

*No Other Gods*

Benediction – Ben Fike

Song Leader – Caroline Smith

## SUNDAY AFTER WORSHIP

Visitors are invited to join Care Group 3 in Room 9 in the Fellowship Hall

10:45am Children – *Created New*

Under Age 3 – Tot Nursery Classroom

Age 3 - 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Kids Praise Classroom

10:50am Teens 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade – *Focus*

Teen Room

10:50am Adults – *Christian Community*

CG1: Fellowship Hall Foyer

CG2: Room 14

CG3: Room 9

Noon – Kids Choir Practice

## COMING UP / SAVE THE DATE

**April 2** Palm Sunday: Easter Egg Hunt and CROP Hunger Walk

**April 9** Easter Sunday: Sunrise Service and Communion Service

**April 11** Families Moving Forward

**April 15** Senior Saints Banquet

**April 30** Friendship Sunday

## NEWS AND UPDATES

**Sunday Morning Adult Class: “Christian Community”** You are encouraged to read the passages before class and think about Paul’s message to the church.

March 19: 2 Corinthians 2-6

March 26: Romans 12, 14-16

**Prayer Room Open** This Sunday after Family Prayer Time, an elder will be available for prayer in the prayer room.

**Kids Choir Practice** Every Sunday in March after classes until 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Children age 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will practice to perform at the Senior Saints Banquet on April 15. Kids lunch is included during practice. Even if the children can’t sing at the banquet, children are welcome while their parents enjoy the break. For more information contact Sharon Hilliard.

**Parent Lunch** Every Sunday in March, while children are in choir practice, parents are invited to lunch together at a local restaurant. Lunch for Sunday, March 19, will be at Cosmic Cantina, 1920 Perry Street, Durham. Questions? Please contact Ben Fike or Chris Peterson.

**Young-ish Adults** If you are an adult 18-40 and want to join our Young-ish Adults Small Group, you are invited to do so! We will Zoom every other Tuesday at 8pm – our next Zoom will be March 21. We'll discuss Rob Bell's book [How to Be Here](#). Questions? Contact Rebecca Klingaman.

**Wednesday Nights** Bring your own dinner at 6pm. After dinner, adults will be reviewing and discussing *The Chosen*. Children will have Play, Praise & Pray time.

**Thursday Bible Study** All are invited to a Bible study held every Thursday at 7am in the church library. Questions? Contact Tim Wood.

**Volunteer Scheduler** If you know of Sunday mornings in April that you will not be available at church, please enter those dates **by March 22** in the [online scheduler here](#).

**Senior Saints** will meet on Saturday, March 25, at 11am in the Fellowship Hall. We will enjoy “travel abroad” as Charles and Anita Holton share photography and highlights of their recent trip to Egypt. A light lunch will be provided, so please [respond to Emma Davis](#) **by Wednesday, March 22**.

**Youth Practice** on March 26, noon-1:30pm for the Senior Saints Banquet.

**CROP Hunger Walk** CMR is participating in the Durham CROP Hunger Walk again this year on April 2 to support Church World Service in their global response to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster throughout the world. Of the funds raised from the CROP Hunger Walk, 25% will be distributed right here in Durham County to help eliminate hunger and food insecurity in our community. Please visit our [CMR Team Page](#) to sign up to walk and/or donate to this important community effort to end hunger. Contact [Jo Wall](#) with questions.

**Easter Signs of Life:** Where do you see signs of life in places of death? This year as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus with Christians all over the world, we are invited to take that “resurrection vision” into our lives and world to see through the eyes of faith that Jesus is alive! Here’s what we’re doing for Easter together this year.

**April 2/Palm Sunday:** Join us for a worship service focused on the arrival of Jesus into Jerusalem the week before his death and resurrection. This service will provide an opportunity for all-ages to re-enact the waving of palm branches and shouts of “Hosanna!” that greeted Jesus that day. It will also include a sermon focused on telling that story in a child-centric way (that will resonate with all ages). Stick around for Bible Classes, an Easter Egg Hunt, and CROP Hunger Walk.

**April 7/Good Friday:** CMR members are strongly encouraged to join other Durham congregations for a Good Friday worship service. This is an excellent opportunity to practice Christian hospitality by sharing in worship with our neighbors. Two recommendations are St. Luke's Episcopal Church and Duke Chapel.

**April 9/Easter Sunrise Service:** Meet outside at 6:30am for a time of contemplative worship reflecting on Christ from the perspective of those who were the first to arrive and find Jesus' tomb empty. This is a very relaxed service with food and fellowship to follow.

**April 9/Easter Communion Service:** Join us at 9:30am for a celebration of Christ's resurrection that includes singing, preaching, and communion.

**Families Moving Forward** On April 11 we have the opportunity to provide dinner for individuals at the Durham FMF facility. Members can prepare food, deliver, serve the meal, and/or clean up. [Sign up here](#) (scroll down to get to the 4/11 block). There will be a donation box in the Worship Center foyer. Most needed items are paper towels, all-purpose cleaner, bath and dish towels. Other needs are toothbrushes, shampoo and conditioner, feminine care products. Contact Maria Sanchez with questions.

**Senior Saints Banquet** We're excited to bring back this favorite church-wide event honoring our Senior Saints on April 15 at 5:30pm. It will be a wonderful evening you don't want to miss! Sign-ups are forthcoming.

**Baby Basket Shower** for baby girl Fike, due the end of April! Ben and Laura have expressed a preference for Target or Costco giftcards because most of the items they need are large (car seat, stroller, etc.), although wipes, toiletries and such are also appreciated. Donations may be dropped off in the labeled basket at the kiosk in the Worship Center foyer. Contact Gail McCormick with questions.

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns** Elizabeth Walters, Wilton DuBois, Charles Runkle, Branson Brown, the Russell family, Judy Cuffee, Reverdy Ransom, and those who provide care for them.

**Giving** You can give four ways: [Online](#), automatic bank draft, mail a check to the office, or leave a contribution in the plate at the rear of the auditorium. Thank you for supporting our mission to join God's work of New Creation!

**Soda Tabs** Save your soda tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. It's a small thing but added together the funds can make a big difference to help families stay close to their children in the hospital. Drop off soda tabs at the foyer kiosk.

**Elder-on-Call (Sunday-Saturday)** Contact Neil Clay with any concerns, need for prayer, or other ways the elders can provide support and care.

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries (through next Saturday)**

Saturday 3/18: Evelyn Doyle

Monday 3/20: Elizabeth McMillan

Friday 3/24: Donnie Hilliard, Jordan Russell



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