



COLE MILL ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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LISTEN TO HIM
Following the Voice of Christ Together

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2026

9:00am PRE-SERVICE MUSIC: *You're the One; Shine On Us;
Love Lifted Me; This Is the Day; Praise Him, Praise Him*

9:30am WORSHIP

GATHERING

Welcome & Invitation to Worship (Psalm 112:1-10) – Ben Fike

This Little Light of Mine

Humble Yourself

A Beautiful Life

Prayer – Trey Blazer

WORD

Oh to Be Like Thee

Isaiah 58:1-12 & 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 – Lisa Harpe

Light of the World by Psalm *

Sermon – Ben Fike

“Shine Before Others” (Matthew 5:13-20)

Communal Contemplative Practice: Welcoming Prayer

Shine On Us

TABLE

Love Lifted Me

Communion Meditation – Michelle Carlson

I Am Mine No More

SENDING

Family Prayer – Charles Holton

He Has Made Me Glad
Announcements – Ben Fike
*Blessed Be the God and Father (1 Peter 1:3-4) by The Neva Church of Christ Choir **

Song Selector/Leader – Rachael McKay

**Song videos: Led by Russian composer Konstantin Zhigulin and
his spiritual music ensemble Psalom;
Sung by The Neva Church of Christ Choir in St. Petersburg, Russia.*

After worship, coffee and tea will be available in the Fellowship Hall.

1 Peter 1:3-4 (NRSV)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ⁴ and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you.

SUNDAY

9:30 Nursery During Worship Care for children under age 3 is available in the Nursery/Tot Room in the Worship Center

11:00 Classes

Children

Age 3 and under – Nursery/Tot Room in Worship Center

Age 4 - 5th grade – Kid's Praise Room (downstairs)

Youth

6th-12th Grade in the Teen Room

Adults

Encountering Jesus in Classroom 9

Wisdom Literature in the Fell. Hall Auditorium

COMING UP / SAVE THE DATE

February 8 MCC, Super Bowl Party & Game Night

February 14 Senior Saints Planning Meeting

February 18 Ash Wednesday

February 20-22 Youth Retreat

February 21 CMR Book Exchange

March 1 Life Groups

March 14 Church Work Day

March 28 Senior Saints

March 29 Palm Sunday/CROP Walk

April 5 Easter Sunday

EVENTS AND GATHERINGS

Adult Classes Adults have two classes to choose from:

- *Encountering Jesus* This class series invites us into an open discussion about Jesus and the people he met —through conversation, shared reflection, and the many voices of our community. As we explore encounters between Jesus and the people he met, we'll listen for how Christ is still meeting us today and shaping the way we walk with him. The class is led by members of our congregation, with support from Paul Watson, Pat Daggett, and Karon Johnson, in Classroom 9.

- *Wisdom Literature* Wisdom Literature invites us to listen carefully to God amid the real questions of life—why good and bad things happen, how to live well, and what faith looks like in times of uncertainty. In this class, we'll study Proverbs, Job, and Ecclesiastes, and also touch on Wisdom Literature from the Greek Old Testament, listening for how these ancient voices continue to form wisdom for faithful living today. The class will be led by Mark Matson in the Fellowship Hall Auditorium.

MCC Meeting Sunday, February 8, at Noon in the Fellowship Hall.



Super Bowl Party and Game Night – February 8 Join us for a fun evening at 5pm in the Fellowship Hall — and invite your friends! Bring party food to share (meatballs, chips and guac, veggie trays, drinks, or your favorite snack). Feel free to bring a game to play. We'll also have a hidden figures puzzle challenge for kids of all ages. When you leave — even if it's before the game ends — please take your leftover food and dishes with you.

Refresh Wednesdays Join us for a simple, shared meal on Wednesday from 5:30–6:30 PM—a low-pressure space to reconnect, eat together, and be present with one another. [If you plan to attend, RSVP to Pam by Tuesday.](#) There are no additional classes or expectations, and you're welcome to come just for the meal and head home if that's what you need. Our Bible study will continue at 6:30pm for those who wish to stay, and we'll also invite neighbors to join us at the table. Questions? Contact Tim Wood.



Senior Saints will meet on February 14 at 11am in the Fellowship Hall for our annual planning session. Come ready to share your thoughts and ideas for 2026 activities.

Ash Wednesday Service – February 18, 5pm All are invited to begin the season of Lent with a simple Ash Wednesday service on Tuesday, February 18 at 5pm in Room 11 of the Fellowship Hall. This brief (30-minute) service will include prayer, scripture, and an optional imposition of ashes. All ages are welcome. Whether this is a familiar practice or something new, you are invited to come and see as we begin the Lenten journey together.



5th Annual Book Exchange We will host our neighbors on February 21 from 10am-2pm for our 5th annual Book Exchange — one of our most popular community events. You can help by:

- Bringing gently used books and jigsaw puzzles to stock the browsing tables. Drop-off bins are located in front of the church office and in the Worship Center.
 - Donating paper grocery bags and sturdy boxes for guests to carry books home.
 - Inviting friends, neighbors, and co-workers. Contact Jo Wall for a shareable flyer.
 - Joining us at the event to meet neighbors and find new reading material for your family.
- For questions, contact Jo Wall.

Worship Space Experiments (Spring 2026) This spring, we will be participating in a series of time-limited worship space experiments as we learn together how our physical space shapes our shared worship. These are not permanent changes, but opportunities to notice, reflect, and listen as a congregation.

The experiments will take place in three phases:

- **March 15, March 22, March 29 (Palm Sunday):** A temporary adjustment to seating in the Worship Center, with some back sections roped off.
- **April 5 (Easter Sunday):** Worship as usual in the Worship Center.
- **April 12, April 19, April 26, May 3:** Worship in the Fellowship Hall.
- **May 10, May 17, May 24:** Return to the Worship Center with a different seating configuration.

Tim Wood is coordinating these experiments with a team, and care is being taken to ensure accessibility and hospitality throughout. Opportunities for feedback will come later; for now, we invite everyone simply to participate with curiosity and generosity as we learn together.

Thursday Bible Study – 7am – Church Library Start your day with scripture, conversation, and warm biscuits. This weekly gathering is a simple way to grow together in faith and friendship. All are welcome—just show up. Questions? Contact Tim Wood.

FAMILY NEWS

Prayer Concerns Branson Brown, Judy Cuffee, Wilton DuBois, Donna Holladay, Joel Keel, Reverdy Ransom, Tim Russell, Paul Watson, and those who provide care for them.

March Volunteer Scheduler If you know of Sunday mornings in March that you will not be available, please enter those dates **before 2/18/26** in the [online scheduler here](#), or email [Sharon](#) and/or [Pam](#).

Honduras Missions Collection for February: Adult/child jeans, children's Benadryl, Band-aids, any dental supplies. Donations may be dropped off in the designated box in the Worship Center lobby.

Contacting an Elder Elders are committed to walk with you in prayer, support, and care. Please contact your Life Group elder if a need arises.

Birthdays and Anniversaries (through next Saturday)

Saturday 2/7: Hannah Smith

Sunday 2/8: Christy Garth, Brittany Jones

Tuesday 2/10: Bodhi Gettings

Wednesday 2/11: Edward Turay

Friday 2/13: David Jones

Saturday 2/14: Kipleel Rono

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