



COLE MILL ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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LISTEN TO HIM

Following the Voice of Christ Together

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026

9:00am PRE-SERVICE MUSIC: *To Him Who Sits on the Throne;
He Is Exalted; Hear the Voice of the Lord; Listen to Him*

9:30am WORSHIP

GATHERING

Welcome & Invitation to Worship – Ben Fike
Firm Foundation
O Worship the King #144
Crown Him with Many Crowns #193
Prayer – Carmen Wood

WORD

Thy Word #449
Exodus 24:12-18 & Peter 1:16-21 – Joe Stone
Sermon – Ben Fike
“Listen to Him” (Matthew 17:1-9)
Communal Contemplative Practice: Jesus Prayer
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah #390

TABLE

The Lord’s Prayer
Communion Meditation – Philip Rash
Be Thou My Vision

SENDING

Family Prayer – Natalie Beyer
Shine, Jesus, Shine #290

Benediction – Ben Fike

Song Selector/Leader – Priscilla Russell

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

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 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

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.

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.



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 outside the church office door 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.

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.

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

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](#).

Entering Lent Lent begins this Wednesday with our Ash Wednesday service. During the weeks leading to Easter, our worship and preaching will follow the theme *Between Here and There* — learning to trust God when life feels unsteady. Alongside the Sunday scriptures, a simple optional Lenten practice will be available for anyone who finds it helpful, centered on prayer, fasting, and acts of mercy in everyday life. A short explanation and companion guide will be shared by email soon.

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

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)

Friday 2/13: David Jones

Saturday 2/14: Kipleel Rono

Monday 2/16: Reverdy Ransom

Tuesday 2/17: Lena Osorio-Gemisic

Thursday 2/19: Samuel Fike



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