



COLE MILL ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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We encourage you to log-in or arrive before 9:30am. On-line worshippers, please prepare communion before the service begins.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021

9:00am Gathering Songs: *Go Tell It on the Mountain; *Before You; There Is a Balm;
From a Foreign Land; Unto Us a Son is Given

9:30am WORSHIP

GATHERING

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Welcome and Announcements – Ben Fike

Opening Prayer – Nathan Gray

A New Hallelujah

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Luke 3:1-6 – Lisa Harpe

Sermon – Ben Fike

“Faith in the In-Between”

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

THE TABLE OF THE LORD

Come to the Table of Mercies

Communion Meditation – Laura Fike

Taking of the Bread and Fruit of the Vine

To Us a Child of Hope Is Born

Family Prayer Time – Luke Smith

SENDING

Benediction – Ben Fike

Song Selection – Charles Holton

*Performed by Psalom. The songs were shared with us by our mission partner, Luka Bolshakova, as thanks for the cards we sent her in October.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4



Come join us on the CMR playground! If you can bring your own kit, please do so. If not, several are available. Pre-assembled houses allow more time for decorating. We will take photos of each house with its builders to share with the congregation. Questions? Contact [Sharon Hilliard](#).

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

10:45am Online

Children 3yrs-5th Grade – *Thankful Still*

Adults: Same Zoom meeting as worship service – *Names for the Messiah*

11:00am In-Person

Youth: Youth Room – *Wholeness and Holiness*

Adults: Fellowship Hall – *Names for the Messiah*

NEXT WEEK

Wednesday, December 8

6pm BYO Dinner and Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall

6:25pm-7:15pm Children's "Play, Praise, and Pray" on the playground

6:30-7:15pm "Digging Deeper into Ephesians" Adult Bible study in the Fellowship Hall (and on Zoom)

7:30pm Youth Prayer and Spiritual Devotion on Zoom

Thursday, December 9

7am Bible Study for All Ages in the Library. Contact Tim Wood for more info.

COMING UP

Saturday, December 11

11am Senior Saints Gathering in the Fellowship Hall. We'll have lunch and a "Take Away / Select a Gift" game. Bring a \$5 wrapped gift for the activity. Respond to [Emma](#) or [Pam](#) by Wednesday if you will attend.

Sunday, December 12

1pm MCC Meeting in the Library.



Dress warm, and meet at the church van at 4:30pm.

Saturday, December 18



All are invited to a family-friendly evening of singing Christmas songs, swapping homemade cookies and toasting the new year. Mark your calendars and invite your friends! Vaccinations encouraged and masks required.

NEWS AND UPDATES

Hello Church! We wanted to let everyone know we are settled into our new home and jobs in Fontana, CA. We miss Cole Mill and thank everyone for a warm send-off and engagement party this past summer. Please let us know if you are in the area! --Dave & Jen (Kang) Grabarek

New Addresses

Cathy Jones: 2127 Arborwood Drive, Durham, NC 27705

Barbara McCauley: GLCC Box 189, 6211 W. Willow Hwy, Lansing, MI 48917.

Adult Advent Class: Names for the Messiah Isaiah 9:6 uses four royal titles that have been ascribed to Jesus. In this class, we will ponder each title, how people understood it then, how Jesus did or did not fulfill the expectations of the title, and how these titles can help us understand Jesus today. Join us on Sundays December 5, 12, 19 in the Fellowship Hall or online for this exploration.

Family Advent supplies for guests and grandparents that want to take them are available on the round foyer table. Also anyone that would like a copy of the Advent coloring book can contact [Sharon Hilliard](#) who will email or print for you.

Children's Video Families with children 5th grade and under who have not been videotaped for the Kids Christmas Worship video, please contact [Sharon Hilliard](#) to set up an appointment. Scriptures will be assigned and emailed to each family.

Prayer Group A group of CMR members prays together to fight against racism. On *Tuesdays* we receive scriptures for meditation via e-mail. Every other *Wednesday* we pray at 1:15pm on Zoom (our next date is 12/8/21). On *Thursdays* we fast from 6am-6pm. If you would like to join this effort or receive more information, please contact [Evelyn Cameron](#).

Afghan Refugee Assistance CMR is partnering with Church World Services (CWS) to co-sponsor an Afghan family resettling in the Raleigh/Durham area. We have a [housewarming registry on Amazon](#). You are welcome to purchase items outside the Amazon registry. All items must be new or nearly new. Contact [Joanie Brown](#) for much more information.

Ongoing Prayer Concerns Branson Brown, Wilton DuBois, Bob Jones, Carl Lafferty, Charles Runkle, Norma Quarles, LeRoy Wilson.

Elder-on-Call (Sunday-Saturday) Contact Luke Smith with any concerns, needs for prayer, or any other way he can be a source of support and pastoral care.

Giving Thank you for your continued contributions to the work of the church! 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.

Contribution through November 28: \$3,965

Birthdays and Anniversaries (Fri-Thurs)

Tuesday 12/7: Stuart Doyle

Thursday 12/9: Bob Jones



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