



# COLE MILL ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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## SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2025

**9:00am PRE-SERVICE MUSIC:** *No Other Gods; Let God Arise;  
Lord, We Come Before Thee Now; Behold Our God*

### 9:30am WORSHIP

#### GATHERING

Welcome & Invitation to Worship – Ben Fike

*Lord, We Come Before Thee Now #797*

Responsive Reading of Psalm 82

*Let God Arise*

*No Other Gods*

*I Am a Sheep #533*

Prayer – John Beyer

#### WORD

Children's Moment – Laura Fike

*Ancient Words*

Colossians 1:3–14 & Luke 10:25–37 – Brenda Peterson

Sermon – Ben Fike

**“Go Home, Amos!”** (Amos 7:10-17)

*This Is My Father's World #991*

#### TABLE

Family Prayer – Charles Holton

*Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death*

Communion Meditation – Carrie Doyle

#### SENDING

*Behold Our God*

Benediction – Ben Fike

Song Leader – Caroline Smith

### **Responsive Reading of Psalm 82**

One: God takes his place at the head of a large gathering of leaders.

He announces his decisions among them.

He says,

**All: “How long will you stand up for those who aren’t fair to others?**

**How long will you show mercy to sinful people?**

**Stand up for the weak and for children whose fathers have died.**

**Protect the rights of people who are poor or treated badly.**

**Save those who are weak and needy.**

**Save them from the power of sinful people.**

**“You leaders don’t know anything.**

**You don’t understand anything.**

**You are in the dark about what is right.**

**Law and order have been destroyed all over the world.**

**“I said, ‘You leaders are like gods.**

**You are all children of the Most High God.’**

**But you will die, like mere human beings.**

**You will die like every other leader.”**

One: God, rise up. Judge the earth.

All the nations belong to 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* Current series is *Ripples: Meeting Jesus by the Water*

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

Age 4 through rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Kids Praise Classroom (downstairs)

\*Children and volunteers will leave worship following communion

*Teens* Current series is *Bible Geography*

Rising 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade in the Teen Room

*Adults* Current series is *Ask Away: Big Questions and Shared Wisdom* in the Fellowship Hall

## **COMING UP / SAVE THE DATE**

**July 13** MCC Meeting

**July 19** Community Book Club

**July 26** Senior Saints

**August 3** Brad Carter (ACC) Preaching  
**August 10** Back-to-School Sunday, MCC  
**August 23** Senior Saints  
**September 7** Life Group Kick-Off  
**September 13** Women's Retreat

## EVENTS AND GATHERINGS

### Summer Classes

**\*Children** *Ripples: Meeting Jesus by the Water* We'll discover how Jesus brings peace, power, and love into ordinary (and some not-so-ordinary) moments. Through storytelling, play, and prayer, children age 4 through rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders will learn to see the presence of Jesus flowing in their own lives and to create "ripple effects" of his love and teaching everywhere they go. Contact Laura Fike for more information.

**\*Youth** *Bible Geography*

**\*Adults** *Ask Away: Big Questions and Shared Wisdom* We're in a series exploring questions from our own congregation. This month we're discussing questions on the Holy Spirit and its role in our lives today, Atonement, and the New Heaven and the New Earth.

**MCC Meeting** July 13, 1pm in the Library.

**Summer Prayer Group: Listening to Luke 10** Join a Zoom prayer group on Tuesdays at 12pm as we pray through Luke 10 using the *Dwelling in the Word* practice. This is a space for spiritual listening, community, and shaping our August sermon series. Come once or every week—all are welcome. Interested? [Contact Ben](#) to receive the Zoom link and prayer guide. Our next Zoom is July 15.

**Wednesday Nights** Join us on Wednesday evenings at 6pm for BYO dinner and fellowship, followed by a devotional.

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

## FAMILY NEWS

**Jesus Sightings Wall** As part of our Ripples series this summer, our children are inviting the whole congregation to join them in creating a wall of "Jesus Sightings". Wherever you see Jesus, you can write or draw your "sightings" on one of the droplets found on the foyer round table or the tables with communion supplies. You can write a paragraph, a sentence, or just one word. Droplets can be left on the tables, pews, or given to Laura Fike. We can't wait to see our wall filled with sightings of Jesus' welcoming, healing, calming, loving work! And if you're having trouble finding Jesus, look for water. Because when we see water, we remember Jesus is near!

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

**August Volunteer Scheduler** If you know of Sunday mornings in August that you will not be available, please enter those dates before July 23 in the [online scheduler here](#), or email [Sharon](#) and/or [Pam](#).

**Honduras Missions** Collection for July: Band-aids, medical tape, any dental supplies, adult and children's multi-vitamins. Donations may be dropped off in the designated box in the Worship Center lobby.

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

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

Monday 7/14: Brenda Hamilton

Tuesday 7/15: Charlie & Elizabeth McMillan

Wednesday 7/16: Neil Clay

Friday 7/18: Iris Jones

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Learning Forums** Aldersgate UMC in Durham is hosting a series of free Sunday evening Learning Forums in July focused on “Innovating Disciplemaking,” featuring Duke professors and church leaders from across the country. All are welcome—visit [aldersgate.org/becoming-bright](http://aldersgate.org/becoming-bright) for details and to register. July 13, 4-6pm: Dr. Daniel Castelo and Mike Mullin from Asbury First UMC of Rochester, NY.

**Community Book Club** Join us for our next meeting on Saturday, July 19, from 9:30-11am in the CMR Library (with a Zoom option available). We’ll be discussing *The Personal Librarian* by Benedict and Murray, which tells of the lifework of Belle da Costa Greene, the personal librarian to J. P. Morgan. Whether you’ve read the book or just want to enjoy good conversation, all are welcome – bring a friend!

**Flourishing in Marriage Workshop** hosted by Dr. Harold Koenig and his wife Charmin Koenig on August 2 via Zoom. This workshop is intended for couples who want to improve their marital relationship. [Click here to register](#) or contact Pam for more information.

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