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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025

9:00am PRE-SERVICE MUSIC: Only a Holy God; Is He Worthy?; Who You Say I Am; No Longer Slaves

9:30am WORSHIP

AWAKENED TO LIFE

Welcome & Invitation to Worship – Ben Fike
Firm Foundation
Blessed Assurance #480
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name #162
Prayer – Ezekiel Koech

JESUS AND THE GOD OF THE LIVING

Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me
Job 19:23-27a & 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 – Christy Garth
Sermon – Ben Fike
"Alive to God" (Luke 20:27-40)

FEASTING ON THE LIFE OF CHRIST

No Longer Slaves

Communion Meditation – Carl Holladay

Responsive Reading of Psalm 17:1-9

ALIVE TO GOD

Be Still and Know #31
Family Prayer – Evelyn Cameron
Days of Elijah
Benediction – Ben Fike

Song Leader – Priscilla Russell

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

Responsive Reading of Psalm 17:1-9 (NIRV)

One: Lord, hear me, because I ask for what is right.

Listen to my cry for help.

Hear my prayer.

It doesn't come from lips that tell lies.

All: When you hand down your sentence, may it be in my favor.

May your eyes see what is right.

One: Look deep down into my heart.

Study me carefully at night and test me.

You won't find anything wrong.

I have planned nothing evil.

My mouth has not said sinful things.

All: Though evil people tried to pay me to do wrong,

I have not done what they wanted.

Instead I have done what you commanded.

My steps have stayed on your paths.

My feet have not slipped.

One: My God, I call out to you because you will answer me.

Listen to me. Hear my prayer.

Show me the wonders of your great love.

By using your great power, you save those who go to you for safety from their enemies.

All: Take good care of me, just as you would take care of your own eyes.

Hide me in the shadow of your wings.

Save me from the sinful people who want to destroy me.

Save me from my deadly enemies who are all around me.

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 Wing in the Fellowship Hall Building

Youth Studying The Gospel of Luke

6th-12th Grade in the Teen Room

Adults Two classes are offered:

1 Corinthians: Auditorium / Fellowship Hall

A Christian Response to 'The Anxious Generation': Room 9 / Fellowship Hall 12:00 MCC Meeting

COMING UP / SAVE THE DATE

November 9 MCC Meeting

November 11 Blood Drive

November 15 Senior Saints

November 16 Covenant Renewal, North Durham Community Thanksgiving Service

November 22 Youth Bonfire

November 23 Teen-led Worship

November 30 Advent Begins

December 7 Life Groups, Gingerbread House Decorating

December 14 Christmas Celebration

EVENTS AND GATHERINGS

Adult Ed Classes Two classes are offered:

<u>1 Corinthians</u> Join Carl Holladay and Ben Fike in the Fellowship Hall Auditorium for a simple, thoughtful study of Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. Together we'll work through the book week by week, listening deeply to what this letter has to say to the church today.

<u>A Christian Response to 'The Anxious Generation'</u> This Sunday, 11/9: Why Social Media Harms Girls More than Boys. Because technology is shaping our hearts and homes, we're learning together as a church family. This class is co-taught by CMR members who are psychiatrists—John Beyer, Justin Gettings, and Luke Smith—and CMR members who are parents—Laura Rash and Brenda Peterson. All are welcome to join this important conversation in Room 9 of the Fellowship Hall.

MCC Meeting Sunday, November 9, at 12pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Red Cross Blood Drive Please consider donating blood at our Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, November 11, 12:30 to 5:30pm at CMR. We need more donors! To sign up, <u>click this link</u> or visit <u>RedCross.org</u> and enter the code "Cole Mill". The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fill the need for patients in our community. Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today!

Senior Saints will meet on Saturday, November 15 at **12pm** in the Fellowship Hall for their annual Thanksgiving luncheon. Please RSVP to Emma by Tuesday, November 11.

Covenant Renewal Sunday is one of the most meaningful days in our life together at CMR. This year's theme, "We Will, with God's Help," invites us to remember God's faithfulness and renew our own commitments to live and share the gospel together. Ministry Survey forms (for all ages) and Contribution Planning cards are available on the foyer table, or click these links to submit your Ministry Survey and Contribution Planning information. Please complete your form and bring it with you to the service on November 16—or submit online or to Pam beforehand—as we prepare our hearts for this special day of renewal and worship.

Wednesday Nights – 6pm – Fellowship Hall Bring your own dinner and share time around the table, then join a conversational walk through the book of Acts, focusing on how the earliest followers of Jesus learned to share the gospel with others. It's a space to listen to their story and imagine how that story continues today. No prep needed. Questions? Contact Charles Holton or Neil Clay.

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 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.

Elder Check-In Meetings As part of caring for our church family, the elders meet with each member of CMR once a year to talk, pray, and encourage one another in faith and church life. Over the next several weeks, your Life Group elder will contact you to schedule a time to meet. You'll also receive an email with a few questions to help you reflect and prepare. Please set aside time for this meaningful conversation as we move toward Covenant Renewal Sunday, Nov 16.

Honduras Missions Collection for November: Topical antibiotics, eye drops for allergies, washcloths, Ivory soap, Mucinex, probiotics, 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)

Friday 11/7: Alex Jimenez

Saturday 11/8: Markelle Hyaccinte

Monday 11/10: Tim Russell Thursday 11/13: Carlos Sanchez

Friday 11/14: Eric Thomas, Isic Thomas

COMMUNITY EVENTS

North Durham Community Thanksgiving Service CMR has been invited to gather with other North Durham churches for a "giving of thanks" celebration at Temple Baptist Church on November 16 at 5pm. There will be a service of song and thanksgiving followed by a light meal. We have been asked to provide veggies & dip, which will be coordinated by Sharon Hilliard. Please mark your calendar to attend this special community gathering!"

