



COLE MILL ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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BETWEEN HERE & THERE



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026

9:00am PRE-SERVICE MUSIC: *Under the Shadow; You, Better Than Life;
Blessed Be Your Name; You, O Lord Are My Refuge*

9:30am WORSHIP

GATHERING

Welcome & Invitation to Worship – Ben Fike
Lord, We Come Before Thee Now #797
You, O Lord Are My Refuge
Prayer – Wayne Massey

WORD

Speak, O Lord
Deuteronomy 8:1-5 & Psalm 91 – Jo Wall
Sermon – Ben Fike
“Led Into the Wilderness” (Matthew 4:1-11)
I Need Thee Every Hour #837

TABLE

The Lord’s Prayer – Priscilla Russell
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross #315
Communion Meditation – David Harpe
Seek Ye First #555

SENDING

Family Prayer – Tim Wood
Blessed Be Your Name
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 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

April 12 Life Groups

EVENTS AND GATHERINGS



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.

Refresh Wednesdays Join us for a simple, shared meal of pancakes/breakfast 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.



Church Work Day – March 14 Our annual Church Workday is scheduled for March 14. We'll aim to get started with the work at 9am. Pastries, donuts and juice will be available in the Fellowship Hall at 8:30am. Feel free to bring gardening tools and help us beautify our church grounds. We'll also clean in the kitchen. Contact Donnie or Carmen with any questions or comments.

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

Between Here and There - The Season of Lent During these weeks leading to Easter, our worship and preaching follow the theme *Between Here and There* — learning to trust God when life feels unsteady. A simple shared Lenten practice (the “40-Day Pathway”) is also available for anyone who finds it helpful: daily prayer, a weekly practice of release, and one act of mercy beyond our church each week. [The companion guide is available online.](#)

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

Voting at CMR Our Fellowship Hall will serve as an official voting site for the Durham County Board of Elections. To support a smooth and secure election:

1. Access to the Fellowship Hall is restricted from March 1 at 4:30pm through March 4 at 11am, except for voters assigned to this site.
2. Election signs may remain up for 72 hours after the election, per state law.

Thank you for your cooperation and neighborly welcome to voters.

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 None through next Saturday.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Temple Baptist Church Hosting *Meals on Wheels* Forum – February 25, 6pm The evening will begin with dinner, then a presentation highlighting how Meals on Wheels supports older adults and people with disabilities in Durham, and share ways to get involved. All are invited, but [please RSVP here.](#)

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