



# COLE MILL ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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## EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2026

9:00am PRE-SERVICE MUSIC: *Resurrecting; Easter Song; Were You There?; Arise My Love*

### 9:30am WORSHIP

#### GATHERING

*He Lives #346*

*Because He Lives #464*

Welcome & Invitation to Worship – Ben Fike

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today #345*

Prayer – John Beyer

#### WORD

1 Corinthians 15:20-28 – John Broadus

*Low in the Grave He Lay #344 vv.1,2*

Sermon – Ben Fike

**“The Resurrection Changes Everything”** (Matthew 28:1-10)

*Low in the Grave He Lay #344 v.3*

#### TABLE

Communal Prayer – Evelyn Cameron

*Jesus Son of God*

Communion Meditation – Mark Matson

*Christ Our Hope in Life and Death*

#### SENDING

Family Prayer – Tim Wood

*I Know That My Redeemer Lives #528*

Benediction – Ben Fike

## 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 – 1<sup>st</sup> grade – Fell. Hall Room 4

Grades 2-5 – Fell. Hall Room 5

#### Youth

6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade – Teen Room

#### Adults

*Encountering Jesus* in Classroom 9

*Wisdom Literature* in the Fell. Hall Auditorium

## COMING UP / SAVE THE DATE

**April 12** Life Groups, MCC Meeting

**April 18** Senior Saints Banquet

**May 1-3** All-Church Family Camping Trip

**May 3** Life Groups

**May 23** Senior Saints

**May 24** Pentecost Sunday

## EVENTS AND GATHERINGS

**Worship Space Experiments** 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.

For Phase 1 (March 15-29), we ask for your participation in evaluating the current worship space experiment via a questionnaire. Hard copies are on the foyer table (return completed forms to the blue box on the table) or scan the QR code below.



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

\* *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.

**Refresh Wednesday Meal** Join us for a simple, shared meal of sandwiches and salads 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, you can scan the **QR code below**, or [email 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, studying Acts, for those who wish to stay, and we'll also invite neighbors to join us at the table. Questions? Contact Tim Wood.



will meet on April 12, one week late to avoid Easter Sunday. Come ready for a refreshing time together in Life Groups, and stay for the prepared lunch that follows. We ask for an optional \$5 per person (max \$20 per family) to help cover the cost of

the meal. Everyone is encouraged to attend. If you are new or not in a Life Group, please find Caroline Smith today.

**MCC Meeting** April 12 at **12:45pm** to allow time for the Life Group lunch.

**Senior Saints Banquet** You're invited to our annual Senior Saints Banquet on Saturday, April 18, at 6pm. **RSVP HERE by April 3**. Come enjoy an evening of food, music, and fellowship as we celebrate our Senior Saints and the joy they bring to our church community! All ages welcome!

**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** 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)

Saturday 4/4: Mark & Joy Matson

Wednesday 4/8: Paul Watson

Thursday 4/9: Edna Carden

Saturday 4/11: Joshua Johnson

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Spring Carnival for Children with Special Needs** at Brooks Avenue Church of Christ on April 18, 11am-2pm. A flyer with more information is on the foyer bulletin board.



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