COLE MILL ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Sunday, October 25, 2026

9:00am PRE-SERVICE MUSIC: *The Goodness of God; We Will Feast in the House of Zion; Christ Our Hope in Life and Death; He Will Hold Me Fast*

9:30am WORSHIP

GATHERING

Welcome & Invitation to Worship – Ben Fike
Prayer – Natalie Beyer
Doxology #66
Still
Shine On Us
A Shield About Me
Teach Us Your Ways

WORD

Children's Moment – Laura Fike
Psalm 126 & Matthew 24:36-44 – Corey Carlson
Sermon – Ben Fike
"Go Your Way" (Daniel 12:1-13)
We Will Feast in the House of Zion
Family Prayer – Luke Smith

TABLE

Come to the Table
Communion Meditation – Mark Matson

SENDING

Neighbor Prayer – Jo Wall
Christ Our Hope in Life and Death
Benediction – Ben Fike

Song Selector/Leader – Rebecca Klingaman

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

Ages 0-2 – Fell. Hall Room 10 (Nursery)
Ages 3-5th Grade – Fell. Hall Rooms 4 & 5

Youth

6th-12th Grade – Teen Room

Adults

Fellowship Hall

COMING UP / SAVE THE DATE

October 24 Senior Saints
October 27 Families Moving Forward
November 1 All Saints Day, Life Groups
November 5 Blood Drive
November 8 MCC Meeting
November 15 Veterans Day Recognition, Covenant Renewal Sunday

EVENTS AND GATHERINGS

Senior Saints Our next gathering is October 24 at 11am in the Fellowship Hall. We'll be hosting lunch and activities for the South Central Church of Christ seniors from Raleigh. Contact Emma Davis with questions.

Sermon Series This Sunday we'll conclude our series in Daniel called **What's Going On? Faithfulness in a World We Do Not Control.** Daniel was written for people trying to remain faithful to God while living through political upheaval, cultural change, pressure, uncertainty, and questions they could not fully answer. It reminds us that earthly powers are real but not ultimate, that God remains present and faithful, and that we do not have to understand or control everything to live faithfully. We will listen for the wisdom Daniel offers us as we seek to follow God in a changing world.

Adult Class Our class series is on Ezra/Nehemiah, which will run through mid-November. The class is co-taught by Mark Matson and Paul Watson, and we look forward to learning from them both!

"Refresh Wednesday" Meal Join us for a simple, shared meal of chili and baked potatoes on Wednesday at 5:30pm—a low-pressure space to reconnect, eat together, and be present with one another. If you plan to attend, scan the **QR code below** or click this link. 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. **At 6:30pm**, we will resume watching *The Chosen* season 5, in anticipation of the release of the new *The Chosen* season 6 on November 15.

Families Moving Forward™ Our last opportunity this year to prepare food and help serve an evening meal for the residents at Families Moving Forward will be on **October 27**. FMF provides temporary housing and other assistance for families who are transitioning from homelessness. Click here to volunteer. Your feedback is solicited as we consider whether to continue with the program for another year. Questions? Contact Phil Sweigart.

All Saints Day On November 1, Cole Mill Road will join Christians around the world in observing **All Saints Day**—remembering those who have gone before us, giving thanks for those who shaped our faith, and reflecting this year on the story of our own congregation.

Blood Drive The CMR Community Engagement team is again partnering with the Red Cross to give everyone a safe and convenient way to donate blood right in our Fellowship Hall on **November 5**, 1-6pm. If you are able to donate, **please make an appointment today** to help our neighbors who need life-saving blood. The community blood supply is only as strong as the community that supports it.

Veterans Day Plans are underway for a Veterans Day table display to recognize and honor our CMR veterans on November 15. We are grateful for the time and service they have provided to our country! The display table will be located in the Worship Center foyer the week of Veterans Day. CMR veterans are asked to please provide the following **by Sunday, November 1:**

- A photo and/or small piece of memorabilia.
- A note (hard copy or emailed to Evelyn Cameron) with your branch of service, dates served, and a favorite hymn or scripture.

You may leave the items on Pam's desk in the church office or hand them directly to Evelyn Cameron.

Covenant Renewal is one of the most meaningful days in our life together at CMR. **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 15—or submit online or to Pam beforehand—as we prepare our hearts for this annual day of renewal and worship.

FAMILY NEWS

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

Thank You In memory – and honor – of DJ, your expressions of love and support for my family and me have been a true source of strength for us. With love and affection, Carl Holladay

Transition Last Sunday, Ben and Laura shared that Ben has accepted a new position as Senior Minister at the Heritage Church of Christ in Fort Worth, Texas, starting in January. This will move the Fike family closer to their extended family in Texas. We will miss them and are planning a farewell lunch on December 13. Please be in prayer for the Fikes and the Cole Mill Road congregation during this season of transition. If you are interested in serving on the Transition Team, please contact Natalie Beyer or any of the other Elders.

Neighbor Prayer This Sunday we're praying for Ignite Online Academy, Pilgrim United Church of Christ, and the Diaper Bank of NC. Do you have a school, church, nonprofit, local business, or neighborhood concern for neighbor prayer? Email your suggestions to Pam by Monday of each week**.** Please include whether it's a school, church, nonprofit, local business, and a sentence or two about what's happening or why this would be good for us to pray about.

Voting at CMR Our Fellowship Hall is an official voting site for the Durham County Board of Elections. To support a smooth and secure election:
- Access to the Fellowship Hall is restricted from November 1 at 6:30pm through November 4 at 11am, except for voters assigned to this site.
- 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 (through next Saturday)
Monday 10/26: Philip Rash, Chris & Brenda Peterson

Tuesday 10/27: Laura Fike
Thursday 10/29: Elyse Sanchez
Saturday 10/31: Mark Matson



MISSION: LIVING AND SHARING THE GOSPEL

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