

Christ   
Community Church

*Love God. Love People. Love Gainesville.*

*Praise the Risen King*

# WELCOME

We are glad you chose to worship with us today. No matter what your previous experience with church may be, it is our hope that today's service will be a fresh encounter with God's love and power for your life. This folder will guide you as we worship together.

**Welcome to Christ Community Church!  
If you are visiting with us today,  
please stop by the welcome desk in the foyer.**



## **Seeking Christ's Kingdom in West Gainesville**

Our construction project continues to progress! We are building an addition that includes a new, 600-seat sanctuary, expanded lobby and meeting spaces, an expanded children's area, offices and additional classroom space. The project will also include a second entrance and more parking. We praise God for his provision and honor the hard work, leadership, and sacrificial giving of so many that have brought us this far. Thank you!

**Defining Moments** is a two-year strategic giving initiative for the future of Christ Community Church and the kingdom in Gainesville. We are developing the rest of our property and building an addition to our current building. We want to create a space for others to be invited to Christ's banquet while also holding on to the distinctives that have made Christ Community such a beautiful place to belong.

To learn more, or to give towards this initiative, visit [cccgainesville.com/defining-moments](http://cccgainesville.com/defining-moments).



# SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026

*All music by permission CCLI #2054302) \*Please silence your cell phones at this time.*

*CCC-Guest WiFi Password: Matthew7:7*

**9:30 am** - *Worship*

**9:30 am** - *Children's Sunday School*

**11 am** - *Worship*

**11 am** - *Children's Sunday School (Birth -5th)*

**Prelude**

*Come As You Are*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Call to Worship: Psalm 24:1-6**

**Leader:** The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

**UNISON:** **Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.**

**Leader:** He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation. Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

*Words: Robert Robinson, 1758. Music: John Wyeth, 1813.*

Come thou fount of every blessing; Tune my heart to sing thy grace.  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; Hither by thy help I'm come.  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God:  
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be;  
Let that grace now, like a fetter, Bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for thy courts above.

**Confession:**

**UNISON:** Father, forgive us our sin for Jesus' sake, and grant that we might walk in the ways of love and justice, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

**Silent Confession**

**Comfort: 1 Peter 1:3-7**

**UNISON:** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

**Leader:** In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

**Across the Lands**

*Words & Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, 2007.*

You're the Word of God the Father.  
From before the world began,  
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet  
Has been fashioned by your hand.  
All creation holds together  
By the power of your voice.  
Let the skies declare your glory;  
Let the land and seas rejoice.

*Refrain*

*You're the author of creation;  
You're the Lord of ev'ry man,  
And Your cry of love rings out  
Across the lands.*

Yet you left the gaze of angels,  
Came to seek and save the lost,  
And exchanged the joy of heaven  
For the anguish of a cross.  
With a prayer you fed the hungry,  
With a word you stilled the sea,  
Yet how silently you suffered  
That the guilty may go free.

*Refrain*

With a shout you rose victorious,  
Wresting victory from the grave,  
And ascended into heaven  
Leading captives in your wake.  
Now you stand before the Father,  
Interceding for your own;  
From each tribe and tongue and nation  
You are leading sinners home.  
*Refrain*

### **Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery**

*Words and Music: Matt Boswell, Michael Bleecker, Matt Papa, 2013.*

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry; in the dawning of the King;  
He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity.  
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come;  
Look to Christ who condescended; took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry: He the perfect Son of Man.  
In his living, in his suffering, never trace nor stain of sin.  
See the true and better Adam come to save the hell-bound man;  
Christ the great and sure fulfillment; of the law; in him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry: Christ the Lord upon the tree.  
In the stead of ruined sinners, hangs the Lamb in victory.  
See the price of our redemption; see the Father's plan unfold.  
Bringing many sons to glory; grace unmeasured love untold.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry: slain by death, the God of life.  
But no grave could e'er restrain him; praise the Lord he is alive.  
What a foretaste of deliv'rance; how unwavering our hope.  
Christ in power resurrected; as we will be when he comes.

**Greeting One Another & Children's Dismissal**

*Please greet those around you. Children are dismissed to Children's Church at this time.*

*Care for Birth - 5th grade is available all morning.*

*(Please encourage children to walk calmly to class.)*

**Tithes & Offerings: O Love That Will Not Let Me Go**

*The offering is a time to not only give of your possessions but also to give yourself to God.*

*Use this time to reflect, meditate and respond to what God is doing in your life.*

***Visit [cccgainesville.com/give](http://cccgainesville.com/give)***

**Doxology**

*Thomas Ken, 1674.*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### **Sermon Text: John 8:12-30**

<sup>12</sup> Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." <sup>13</sup> So the Pharisees said to him, "You are bearing witness about yourself; your testimony is not true."

<sup>14</sup> Jesus answered, "Even if I do bear witness about myself, my testimony is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. <sup>15</sup> You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one. <sup>16</sup> Yet even if I do judge, my judgment is true, for it is not I alone who judge, but I and the Father who sent me. <sup>17</sup> In your Law it is written that the testimony of two people is true. <sup>18</sup> I am the one who bears witness about myself, and the Father who sent me bears witness about me." <sup>19</sup> They said to him therefore, "Where is your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also." <sup>20</sup> These words he spoke in the treasury, as he taught in the temple; but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come. <sup>21</sup> So he said to them again, "I am going away, and you will seek me, and you will die in your sin. Where I am going, you cannot come." <sup>22</sup> So the Jews said, "Will he kill himself, since he says, 'Where I am going, you cannot come?'" <sup>23</sup> He said to them, "You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. <sup>24</sup> I told you that you would die in your sins, for unless you believe that I am he you will die in your sins." <sup>25</sup> So they said to him, "Who are you?" Jesus said to them, "Just what I have been telling you from the beginning. <sup>26</sup> I have much to say about you and much to judge, but he who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him." <sup>27</sup> They did not understand that he had been speaking to them about the Father. <sup>28</sup> So Jesus said to them, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own authority, but speak just as the Father taught me. <sup>29</sup> And he who sent me is with me. He has not left me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to him." <sup>30</sup> As he was saying these things, many believed in him.

### **Sermon: I Am the Light of the World**

*Tim Hayse*

**1. A picture.**

**2. A profession.**

**3. A plea.**

### **On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand**

*Words: Samuel Stennett, 1787. Music: M. Durham, 1835, arr. Christopher Miner.*

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye  
To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie

All o'er those wide extended plains, shines one eternal day  
There God the Son forever reigns, and scatters night away

*Refrain:*

*I am bound (I am bound)*

*I am bound (I am bound)*

*I am bound for promised land*

*Repeat*

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath, can reach that healthful shore;  
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more

*Refrain*

When shall I reach that happy place And be forever blessed?  
When shall I see my Father's face And in his bosom rest?

*Refrain (2x)*

**Benediction**

**Dismissed with God's Blessing**



**EASTER**  
*He is Risen!*

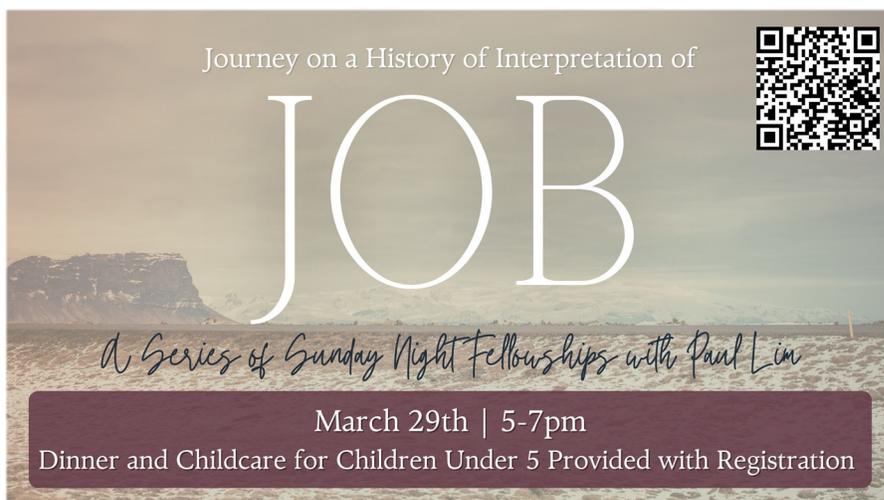
WORSHIP APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup> AT 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30AM  
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED | USE QR TO SIGN UP



*Maundy Thursday*

Dinner, Worship, and Liturgy  
April 2nd | Together in Homes

Please RSVP



Journey on a History of Interpretation of

**JOB**

*A Series of Sunday Night Fellowships with Paul Lin*

March 29th | 5-7pm  
Dinner and Childcare for Children Under 5 Provided with Registration



**VBS 2026**

**Dates: June 15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>**

Registration opens April 1st



**Art Camp for Girls**  
 For girls entering 3rd-8th grades (Fall 2026)  
 Week 1: July 13-17 (FULL)  
 Week 2: July 20-24 (FULL)

Registration OPEN  
 Counselor applications are open now through April 15

\*Wait List: Please fill out the waitlist form on the website that we will pull from if there is a cancellation



*Summer 2026  
Save the Date*

June 8-13 - High School Camp  
 June 15-19 - VBS  
 July 6-10 - Middle School Camp  
 July 13-17 - Art Camp for Girls Week 1  
 July 20-24 - Art Camp for Girls Week 2

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## WELCOME TO CHRIST COMMUNITY

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Please drop this card in the offering box as you leave today.

We would love to help you get connected at Christ Community!

### Tell us about yourself!

*Check the box that applies to you.*

- Local Guest
- Member/Regular Attendee
- Out of Town Guest

### How can you get connected?

*I would like more information about...*

- Children's Ministries
- Community Groups
- Next Steps Class
- Church Events
- Youth
- College
- Men's/Women's Ministry
- Local Missions/Service
- Music and Tech
- Set-up & Tear-down Team

Please provide us with your information so we may contact you with further details.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- I want to receive weekly emails.

