





The Briefing November 18, 2022

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Sunday, November 20

Celebration Services, 9 &

10:45am Livestream Service,

9am

Children's Ministry, (0-4th grade), 9am

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College Group, 7pm

Monday, November 21 Tuesday, November 22

Women's 4th Tuesday,

6pm

Wednesday,

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Thursday,

November 24

Office Closed

Friday,

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Office Closed

Saturday,

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Sunday, November 27

First Sunday of

Advent

Celebration

Services, 9 &

10:45am

Livestream Service,

9am

Children's Ministry, (0-4th

grade), 9am

Children's

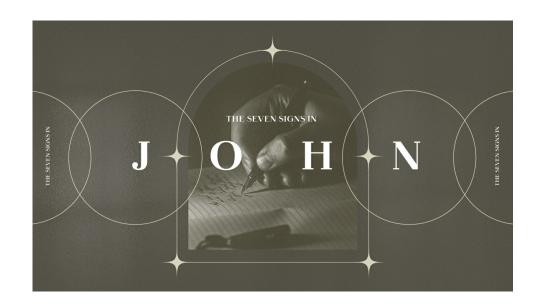
Ministry (0-6th

This Weekend

Memorial Service

The Goff and O'Connor families invite you to join them in celebrating the life of Dr. Goff. A memorial service will be held at Community Fellowship on Saturday, Noven 3pm. Plan to extend your time to greet the family at a reception immediately after service.

In honor of his beloved grand-daughter, Anna O'Connor, gifts in memory of Terry n given to the Children's Neuroblastoma Cancer Foundation. For information on direct gift go to: www.cncfhope.org.



Sunday Services

Join us this Sunday at 9am or 10:45am as Pastor Will shares from John 4:43-54. Will's sermon title is *Healing the Official's Son.* If you are not able to join us in-person you can view our livestream on our <u>Facebook page</u> or our <u>YouTube channel</u> at 9am. We look forward to worshiping with you.

Be sure to invite your friends, family and

grade), 10:45am College Group,

7pm

Looking Ahead:

Communion, 12/4

Women's Christmas

Dinner, 12/6

Christmas Store, 12/10

Office Closed, 12/23

Christmas Eve Service
(3:30 & 5:00PM), 12/24

Christmas Day Service
(10AM), 12/25

Office Closed, 12/26

See Full Calendar +

Financial Update

CF's fiscal year begins in July and ends in June. Income Budget (FY2022-23)
\$1,700,000.00
Actual Fiscal Income (Year-To-Date)
\$489,207.57
Weeks Remaining
32
Average Weekly Need
\$37,837.26
Last Week's Offering
\$35,950.75

Community Fellowship Job Opportunities

- Director of Children's
- Ministry
- Director of StudentMinistry

commfell.org/employment

Samaritan's Purse Seasonal Employees

We are looking for individuals to serve as Operation Christmas Child seasonal employees across our eight processing centers to help prepare millions of gift-filled shoeboxes for boys and girls in need around the

neighbors to our Sunday service!

Donate your leftover Halloween candy!

Teen Decision presents abstinence education in area schools, and uses candy as an incentive for classroom participation. Drop off your leftover candy in the Teen Decision collection box in the CF entryway. Contact Tori Libby to learn more about Teen Decision at tori@teendecision.org or 630-926-8831.



Coming Soon



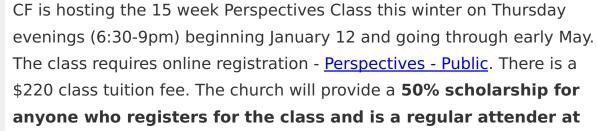
Christmas Store

The 2022 Christmas Store is on December 10. Over the ne we invite you to participate in this annual local outreach w prayer, your donations and your time. Christmas gifts can purchased and delivered to CF using the preferred Amazor available at – commfell.org/Christmas-Store. You can also k donated gifts with you to CF. Volunteers to serve as gift wrocashiers, and other support roles are needed. Check out th webpage for information and to register as a volunteer. Ma

calendar and pray for gospel impact from this outreach.

Perspectives

It is estimated that only a small percent of Christians hold to a true Biblical world view. The Perspectives course will help you understand and establish a world view that is biblical and Christian.





CF. If you are interested in this offer let us know with an email to <u>info@commfell.o</u> Participants will be from many churches in the western suburbs – so consider inviti friend to take Perspectives with you. For more information visit <u>Perspectives.org</u>.



CF Cafe - New Hours Coming Soon!!!

Come enjoy our drink of the month and join in some e fellowship time at the cafe before service. We're excite announce that the CF Cafe will be opening before both to accommodate more drink orders. Starting in Decem will be open from 8:30am- 9:00am and from 10:15am on most Sundays.

Generation 2 Generation

G2G is a women's prayer ministry at CF. There are 3 ways to get involved.

Level 1 Women's Prayer Team:

Who: We need godly women (you!) to sign up for this prayer team, students do not for this level.

Level 2 Prayer Pals:

world. Visit samaritanspurse.org for more information.

Who: Spiritually mature women and girls 6th grade through college.

Level 3 Mentor:

Who: This level is for college age women only.

Contact: Margaret Bangert (mbangert@commfell.org)



Room for Rent

Private room for rent in West Chicago. Shared kitchen & bathroom. Basement space. Utilities included in rent. Preferably a female tenant. Move in date - as early as December 1. If interested please email Ashley at bowman.ashley8@gmail.com



Women's 4th Tuesday

Come join Connecting Hearts 4th Tuesday (11/22) at C 112. Our theme for the evening will be *They will know Christians by our love*. We will also spend time comple a Service Project. For dinner we will serve soup and sa A \$5 suggested donation is appreciated. You can pay c

texting **Tuesday** to 630-416-9277 or in person at the event. Don't forget to bring a friend! Enter through the back door facing the pond.

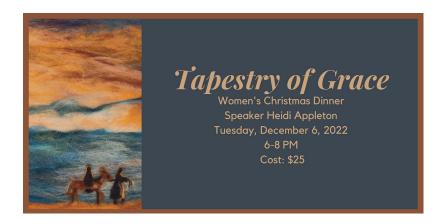
Contact: Margaret Bangert - mbangert@commfell.org

Communications Information

Do you want to stay upto-date with upcoming
events, gatherings, and
other CF communication?
"Like", "Follow", or
"Subscribe" us on
Facebook, Instagram,
Twitter, and YouTube to
receive updates
throughout the week. You
can find our pages at:
facebook.com/CommFell
instagram.com/commfell/
twitter.com/commfell
youtube.com/commfell

Do you like CF?

Why not tell the world by writing a review on google+ local? Just visit us <u>HERE</u> and click on the review button or the pencil icon. We really appreciate your help!



Connecting Hearts Christmas Dinner

Our Women's Christmas Dinner is a wonderful way to start the Christmas Season. The evening will include a catered dinner, Christmas music, and a heartfelt message from Heidi Appleton titled *Tapestry of Grace*. Tickets are \$25 per person. Don't forget to invite a friend or more to come along with you.

You can purchase tickets in the lobby on Sundays or contact Margaret Bangert - mbangert@commfell.org

Please consider helping income-challenged families by bringing a donation for the Christmas Store commfell.org/christmas-store.

To God Be The Glory

You may remember that many people participated in an art gallery between Thanksgiving and Christmas of 2018-2019. We are now getting ready to do another gallery and we're hoping that you will choose to contribute.



Please see this proposal that gives you all the details.

I hope you will prayerfully consider your involvement and/or pass this information along to someone who you know would be interested.

Contact: Mark Barwegen: <u>barwegen88@comcast.net</u>

Prayer

Submit Prayer Request

The elders and prayer team take seriously their commitment to pray for the requests of our church family. You are encouraged to write your prayer requests on the perforated part of your Sunday bulletin, submit it via email at cfprayer@commfell.org, submit it via the website at commfell.org/prayer or by calling the church office at 630-562-9184.

Join the Prayer Team

If you would like to support others in prayer, you can receive email prayer requests by signing up at <u>commfell.org/email.</u>

Deacons

The Community Fellowship Deacon Ministry exists to deliver support for the entire CF body of believers by providing assistance and support to the church's members and regular attenders. This support most often takes the form of prayer, compassion, meals, transportation, financial assistance & visitation. If you know of anyone within our church body in need of short-term assistance, please contact a member of the Deacon Ministry for more information by calling the church office or emailing the Deacons at deacons@commfell.org



Adult Ministry



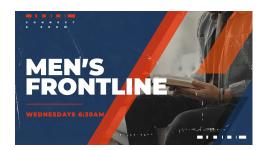
College Group

The college ministry at Community Fellowship is for students aged 18 to 23 and exists to develop young adults who love Christ's church and who consider the full congregation to be family. This group meets every Sunday from 7 pm to 9 pm. Each evening includes a time of fellowship and discussion together over the current study.

For more information and to get plugged in, send an email to collegegroup@commfell.org.

Men's Frontline

Becoming a godly man doesn't just happen. It takes time and grace-empowered commitment to become the man God has called you to be. Join with other men as together we explore disciplines that will help us better reflect Christ in our lives. Our interactive study will use Kent Hughes' Discipline of a Godly Man as our guide this year at Frontline.



Men's Frontline Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 6:30am in Room 112, excluding the Wednesdays following the Second Tuesday Dinner. Coffee and donuts will be provided.

Children's Ministry



Helping Kids and Families to Know and Grow in God's Story

Community Kids is available during our 9:00am service for ages Infant - 4th grade and during our 10:45am service for ages Infant - 6th grade.

This Week's Lessons

In the **Pre-4th** grade rooms our topic this week is *Nahum Warned* of God's People Were Taken Captive (2 Chronicles 36). JAM56 is continuing in their series on God's Promises this week. They will focus on the subject of *Jacob to Israel*.

Family Discipleship Guide

In the family discipleship guide you'll get a snapshot of what will be taught each coming Sunday, and a few questions to ask your son/daughter related to it. You'll also find 3 links: one to the Gospel Project at Home, one to the worship setlist for Sunday, and one to a monthly resource. Click here to view this weeks guide!

Parents

If you ordered an Advent Kit please pick it up by your oldest child's class after the services on Sunday, Advent begins November 27th. We have a few extra if you did not order one (first come first serve). **Contact:** Sandy Dimas - sdimas@commfell.org

Student Ministry



Student Ministries exists to expose teenagers to God's love, to equip them to share God's Word, to surrender themselves in service to Christ, and to love one another.

Student Ministries

(6th grade through 12th grade)

This fall our student ministry programming (grades 6th through 12th) will meet every Thursday from 7:00pm to 9:00pm at the church in room 112. We spend our time engaging God's Word and one another through games, fellowship, and singing praises to Him. We'd love for you and your friends to join us!

Parents, you're more than welcome to join us any night if you'd like. We'd love to meet you!

If you have any questions please feel free to contact our Student Ministries Director, Jake MacAdam at imacadam@commfell.org.

Information: <u>commfell.org/students</u>

Contact: Jake MacAdam - jmacadam@commfell.org



Service



Santiago, Dominican Republic - "Here we come!"

A team of 10 from CF will travel to the DR from November 28 - December 4 to serve with

the Mike Silva International (MSI) evangelistic festival. You can partner with this team to provide <u>compassion and hope</u> to people in the DR.

PRAY for the team.

DONATIONS of these items can be placed in the collection container in the CF lobby.

- Used eye glasses
- Individually packaged tooth care products (toothbrush / paste / floss)
- Toiletry kits with toothpaste & toothbrush
- New baseball

And if you desire to <u>SUPPORT</u> the evangelistic festival - a check for \$100, payable to Community Fellowship with "DR - Bus" in the memo line, will allow MSI to rent a bus to transport 60 people from rural DR to the festival in Santiago. Place checks in gym wall box or mail to CF. Thank you for partnering with DR team!

Repeat Boutique

On the first Sunday of each month CF collects donations of gently used clothing and other small household items for Repeat Boutique. Bring your donations on the first Sunday and place them in the vehicle at the front of the church.





Caring Network Current Need

The Caring Network distribution center, which CF supports, is in need of supplies. Please add one or more of the items below to your shopping order this week to fill this need! Your donated item(s) can be dropped off in the collection bin at CF.

- Diapers (especially sizes Newborn, 4, 5, & 6)
- Enfamil formula
- Wipes
- Lotions
- Soaps
- Gift cards to Walmart

Word Relief Donations - Fall/Winter 2022

World Relief is rebuilding to welcome more refugees across Chicagoland and we can help. Donations of furniture and household goods is a tangible and helpful way to extend welcome and build community! For more information about donations go to Donate New and Used Items | World Relief Chicagoland or refer to the information below.



Please bring ONLY new items from the list below. Or World relief purchase from our Amazon Wishlist and ship them to our local office. NOTE: We DO NOT accept: clothes (except winter gear), toys, mattresses

- Winter Coats (adults and kids, all sizes)
- Twin and full bed comforters
- Twin sheets
- Postage stamps
- Kitchen trash cans
- Kitchen trash bags
- Small trash cans
- Tea kettles
- Toilet brushes
- Tool kits
- Sugar
- Rice

Furniture Donations

If you have furniture to donate, please fill out this **Furniture Donation form**. Our donations team will connect with you about necessary next steps.

High-Need Items

- Arm Chairs
- Love seats
- Dressers

Accepted Furniture

- Love seats
- Arm Chairs
- Couches (no sleepers, 7.5 ft maximum length)
- Dining tables
- Coffee Tables
- Night Stands/end tables
- Dressers
- Lamps
- Kitchen Chairs
- Pack 'n Plays

We do NOT accept:

- Sofa Sleepers
- Futons
- Recliner sofas
- Used mattresses or bed frames
- China cabinets

Partner agencies that also accept furniture include Chicago Furniture Bank in the city, as well as Jubilee Furniture, Sharing Connections, Wayside Cross, and St. Vincent de Paul in the suburbs.

Accepted Furniture donations can be dropped off between 8:30am – 5:00pm, Monday – Friday at the World Relief DuPage office. The address is **191 S. Gary Ave., Suite 130 – Carol Stream, IL 60188.** Donations can be dropped off inside the door marked World Relief at the back of the building.

If you have furniture that needs to be picked up by World Relief please fill out the <u>Furniture</u> <u>Donation form</u>. Our donations team will reach out to you about next steps.

Employment Opportunities

World Relief is looking for talented, compassionate and collaborative people for open staff positions. For more information about open positions: <u>Join the Team! Career Roles at World Relief Chicagoland</u>

GAPS Partnership with World Relief

The CF **Shalom/Outreach** Team invites you to help fill the <u>G A P S</u> and engage in caring for the needs of refugees and immigrants in our community. You can support World Relief Chicagoland through your <u>G</u>iving, <u>A</u>dvocating, <u>Praying and Serving</u>. Share your interest with the Shalom/Outreach Team by completing this form - <u>commfell.org/GAPS</u>. Completing the form is not a commitment – only the first step toward being part of the GAPS team.

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