

The Briefing - April 22, 2022

This Week at CF

(for more information on calendar events, click on the blue lettering)

Sunday, April 24

Sunday Morning Prayer, 8am Celebration Services, 9 & 10:45am Livestream Service, 9am Children's Ministry (0-4th grade), 9am Children's Ministry (0-6th grade), 10:45am Baptism Class, after each service

Monday, April 25 Women's Bible Study, 7pm

Tuesday, April 26 Women's 4th Tuesday, 6pm

Wednesday, April 27 Men's Frontline, 6:30am Women's Bible Study, 9:30am

<u>CF Kids Midweek</u>, 6:30pm **Thursday, April 28**

Student Ministries, 6:30pm

Friday, April 29 Women's Bible Study, 9:30am

Saturday, April 30 T4G Class, 4/30

Sunday, May 1
Celebration Services, 9 & 10:45am
Livestream Service, 9am
Children's Ministry (0-4th grade), 9am
Children's Ministry (0-6th grade), 10:45am

Looking Ahead Carefest, 5/14 Baptism Sunday, 5/15





Thank you to to all volunteers for Holy Week!

A big thank you to all who volunteered to help with Holy Week. We appreciate you so very much

and all you did. We were especially encouraged by your great spirit and generosity. It was overwhelming! Exodus 36:3-7 With Love, Mera McLean & Honey Swinford

THIS WEEKEND



Sunday Services

Join us this Sunday as Elder Brian Ondracek shares from Luke 24:13-48. His sermon is titled *More Than an Empty Tomb*. Our in-person services are at 9:00 am (Children's Ministry 0-4th grade) or 10:45 am (Children's Ministry 0-6th grade). You can also join us for our

All Church Gathering, 5/15 CF Anniversary (29 years), 5/16 Towel Sunday, 5/22 Child Dedication, 5/29 Office Closed - Memorial Day, 5/30 CF Weekend Getaway, 6/10-12

For upcoming events visit: commfell.org/events/calend

livestream service at 9:00 am on Facebook or our YouTube <u>Channel</u>. We look forward to worshipping with you!

Be sure to invite your friends, family and neighbors to our Sunday services!



FREE BOOKS will be on display in the hallway by the café from Sunday, April 24 through Sunday, May 8. The subjects of the books are about the Christian life, Bible doctrine, Bible commentaries and some novels. These free books are

available for you to take.

Online Donations

If you donate to CF online, you might notice that there has been a change to the format of the webpage. This is a known change, and you can feel comfortable processing your online donation through

commfell.org/give.

Thank you for your support of the ministries at CF.

Financial Update

CF's fiscal year begins in July and ends in June. Income Budget (FY2021-22) \$1,625,000.00 Actual Fiscal Income (Year-To-Date) \$1,350,576.76 Weeks Remaining 10 Average Weekly Need \$27,442.32 Last Week's Offering \$35,516.97

Communications Information

Do you want to stay up-todate with upcoming events, gatherings, and other CF communication? "Like", "Follow", or "Subscribe" us on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and YouTube to receive

COMING SOON

Together for the Gospel (T4G)

Register today for our next T4G (4/30).

Whether you are new to CF or have been here since the beginning, whether you are an adult or teenager, whether you just desire



is to find out more about what CF believes or your intent is to become a ministry partner (member) at CF - Together for the Gospel (T4G) is for you. This one-day class (4/30) is open to all and will be taught and facilitated by the pastoral staff. The class will be interactive. Register at <u>commfell.org/T4G</u> or text **T4G** to 630-416-9277 and follow the link in the response.

CF Weekend Getaway June 10-12

Whether you've been at Community Fellowship from the very beginning or just recently began attending, CF's Weekend Getaway is the perfect opportunity to meet and grow closer together to others who attend CF as we head to Conference Point on the shores

of beautiful Lake Geneva in Williams Bay, WI. Registration information and pricing is available at the Resource Center after each service. Be sure to sign up by May 15th so you don't miss out on the first annual CF Weekend Getaway.

Contact: Pastor Ben - btyler@commfell.org

Baptism

CF will have a Baptism service on Sunday, May 15. If you are interested in being baptized please attend a short Baptism information meeting facilitated by Pastor Enoch



after either service on April 24th in room 209B. If you cannot

updates throughout the week. You can find our pages at:

facebook.com/CommFell instagram.com/commfell/ twitter.com/commfell youtube.com/commfell

Email Info

If you signed up to receive emails, and you are not receiving them in your Inbox please let us know at info@commfell.org or call 630-562-9184 so we can help you.

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!

attend the meeting but desire information about believer's baptism – contact Pastor Enoch at ehaven@commfell.org



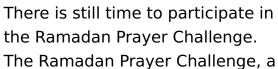
Women's 4th Tuesday

Come join Connecting Hearts 4th Tuesday (4/26) at CF in room 112. We have the honor of hearing from Laura Barwegen as she shares on "The Neurobiology of Discipleship."

How are we wired to become more like Jesus?" Our evening will also include dinner and a brief testimony.

We want to be ready for you so please register for this event by texting **fourthtuesday** to 630-416-9277 or visit commfell.org/4Tuesday. You will have the option to pay online or in person. Don't forget to bring a friend! Enter through the back door facing the pond.

Join the 30-Day Prayer Challenge: April 2 -May 1





global prayer movement, encourages believers to pray for the salvation of Muslims. Daily videos created by OneWay's Prayercast team will encourage you and guide you to pray each day of Ramadan, April 2 to May 1. The daily videos and prayer points cover a variety of specific and urgent topics.

As Muslims seek God intentionally, this month provides unique opportunities for them to encounter Jesus Christ. Use this calendar as your daily prayer guide between April 2 – May 1: 2022 Ramadan Prayer Calendar

To join the prayer challenge and for other helpful information about this movement of prayer go to Pray for Muslims (prayercast.com)



CareFest (Saturday, May 14th) Are you looking for a way to serve in your community? CareFest is for everyone! Working at schools, notfor-profits, local ministry partners, and homes in need of care or

repair - we respond as a church to Jesus' command to serve one another in these CareFest events by serving our community on a very practical and physical level. As we communicate that we love and care about our community - we'll also be learning firsthand about the needs and opportunities in our area. You can register and find more information at wheatonbible.org/carefest-2022-west-chicago-campus



Come celebrate CF's 29th anniversary with a potluck meal, worship, reflection and timely ministry updates and prayer.

For the Potluck meal if your last begins with: **A-G** bring Dessert | **H-P** bring Main dish | **Q-Z** bring Side. Please bring your own serving utensils.

If you need childcare plan to register by Sunday, May 8. Please also plan to provide dinner for your own child(ren). To register for childcare email Heather & Sarina Salatino at salatinos@commfell.org with your child(ren)'s name and birthdate.

We will gather on May 15th at 5:30pm in room 112 for this celebration!

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 commfell.org/email.

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

Men's Frontline

Men's Frontline meets Wednesdays, from 6:30 - 7:30 a.m. (except after 2nd Tuesday) in Room 112. We are studying 1 Timothy through the end of May. It's a great way to start the day connecting with other men and studying God's word together. Coffee and donuts will be served.

Women's Bible Study

We are going through Search the Word: Knowing & Loving God Through Intentional Bible Study by Joanna Kimbrel. commfell.org/study
Contact Lydia Clevenger (lclevenger@commfell.org) for more information.

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 *The People Kept Sinning* (Judges 2). In the JAM56 room we will continue in our study on The Early Church. This Sunday our topic is *Persecution*. (Check out the family guide on <Persecution>.

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 2 links: one to the Gospel Project at Home and one to a monthly resource. Click here to view this weeks guide!

CF Kids Midweek

Our midweek gathering meets every Wednesday from 6:30-8:00pm for children kindergarten - 5th grade. Each

gathering we will facilitate the heart transformation of children through intergenerational discipleship, Christ-centered teaching, memorizing God's Word, and having fun doing it! We'll also help our kids grow in their knowledge and understanding of various life skills along the way. For registration and more information visit commfell.org/cfkids.

This Week:

Resurrection - Luke 24:1-12

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.

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Student Ministries

(6th grade through 12th grade)

Our student ministry programming (grades 6th through 12th) meets on Thursdays from 6:30pm to 8:30pm 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



Service Opportunity

I am in need of volunteers to assist with a bicycle repair clinic that will be held on Saturday, May 7, from 9am – 3pm. You don't need to have any experience fixing bicycles. I will

train you for a specific task. We will be fixing flat tires, adjusting brakes and gears, and trueing wheels if necessary. The things you learn may help with your own bicycle repair someday. Call

or text Dan Riley at (630) 621-5873 to get more information. This clinic will be held at CF on the patio near the pond.

CF Call to Action in Response to Crisis in Ukraine

Prayerfully consider providing financial support to the urgent humanitarian relief efforts due to the ongoing conflict in Ukraine.

Partner Organizations

Many good organizations are responding to the humanitarian crisis. CF refers you to these two partner organizations and the church networks they affiliate with. The Christian church in this region is strategically positioned to be the hands and feet of Jesus in the midst of human crisis. **TOGETHER**, we can support their efforts and make a difference.

Since before 2007, Josiah Venture
has been involved in a disciplemaking movement in Ukraine
where they serve and partner with
over 100 churches. JV is currently supporting the efforts of
local churches in Ukraine and assisting refugees in neighboring
countries.

- For online gifts go to <u>josiahventure.com/give-form</u> and select account 430065 Ukraine Crisis Fund as your gift designation.
- Send checks payable to Josiah Venture with designation "Ukraine Crisis Fund" to:

Josiah Venture P.O. Box 4317 Wheaton, IL 60189-4317



World Relief is currently working with partners and churches on the ground in Romania, Slovakia, Poland, Moldova and Western

Ukraine. In the US they will help resettle some of the 100,000 Ukrainian refugees fleeing conflict and coming to America.

- For online gifts go to <u>worldrelief.org/respond/#current</u>
- Send checks payable to World Relief with memo designation "Ukraine Response" to:

World Relief
Attn: Donations
7 East Baltimore Street
Baltimore, MD 21202

World Relief Donations - Spring 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 <u>Donate New and Used</u>
<u>Items | World Relief Chicagoland</u> or refer to the information below.

PURCHASE only from this current accepted donation list and DELIVER items to World Relief DuPage during regular business hours. 191 S. Gary Ave., Suite 130 – Carol Stream, IL 60188

- \$50-75 Gift Cards (Amazon, Aldi, Goodwill, Target, Uber) for groceries, medicine, transportation
- First Aid Kits with 140+ items
- Bike Kits (helmet, U-lock and bike lights)
- Twin bed comforters
- Tea kettles
- Backpacks for students of all ages
- Diapers (size 6 and new born)
- Men's deodorant
- Postage stamps

NOTE: World Relief <u>does not</u> accept: clothes, toys, TV's or electronics, mattresses

Or if you prefer - PURCHASE items online from any of these three approved lists and have them shipped directly to the local World Relief office.

Early Childhood Program

Kindergarten -12

Amazon Wishlist

Some FURNITURE items are also accepted. This list is subject to change.

High Need furniture items:

- Dressers
- Couches / Love Seats
- Pack 'n Plays

WR <u>does accept</u> these furniture items:

- Love seats
- Couches (no sleepers, 7 ft maximum length)
- Arm chairs
- Dining tables
- Coffee tables
- Night stands / end tables
- Dressers
- Lamps
- Kitchen chairs
- Pack 'n Plays

WR does not accept these furniture items:

- Sofa sleepers
- Futons
- Recliner sofas
- Used Mattresses
- Bed frames
- China cabinets

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 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: Join the Team! Career Roles at World Relief Chicagoland

World Relief

The CF **Shalom/Outreach** Team invites you to help fill the <u>G A</u>

<u>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>P</u>raying and <u>S</u>erving. 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.









