

The Briefing - May 6, 2022

This Week at CF

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

Sunday, May 8

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

Monday, May 9 Women's Bible Study, 7pm

Tuesday, May 10 Men's 2nd Tuesday, 6pm

Wednesday, May 11 Women's Bible Study, 9:30am <u>CF Kids Midweek</u>, 6:30pm

Thursday, May 12 Student Ministries, 6:30pm

Friday, May 13
Women's Bible Study,
9:30am

Saturday, May 14

Sunday, May 15
Celebration Services, 9 & 10:45am
Livestream Service, 9am
Children's Ministry (0-4th grade), 9am
Children's Ministry (0-6th grade), 10:45am
All Church Gathering, 5:30pm

Looking Ahead

CF Anniversary (29 years), 5/16 Towel Sunday, 5/22 Women's 4th Tuesday, 5/24 Child Dedication, 5/29



THIS WEEKEND

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.



Our Mother's Day Wish For You

Mothers and mother figures everywhere are deserving of our honor:

Hopeful mothers. Burdened mothers. Accidental mothers. Bereaved mothers. Invisible mothers. Bonus mothers. Motherless mothers. Grateful mothers. Grandmothers. New

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<u>CF Weekend Getaway</u>, 6/10-12

mothers. Weary mothers. Spiritual mothers. And all the women holding the paradox of joy and sorrow with or without your own mothers.

You are appreciated and loved!

- Adriel McIntosh Booker

For upcoming events

visit: commfell.org/events/calencar appy Mother's Day

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)
\$1,388,539.21
Weeks Remaining
8
Average Weekly Need
\$29,557.60
Last Week's Offering

\$18,849.10



Teen Decision is looking for both volunteer and paid speakers. Teen Decision is a nonprofit that goes into health classrooms in local schools providing healthy relationships education with an abstinence message. The positions we have to fill are part-



Sunday Services

Join us this Sunday as Pastor Will shares from Exodus 15. His sermon is titled *Worship by the Sea*. 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 livestream service at 9:00 am on <u>Facebook</u> or our <u>YouTube Channel</u>. We look forward to worshipping with you!

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

Caring Network Baby Bottle Campaign

Do you want to help unborn children and their parents? Our Baby Bottle fundraisers are an easy



way to raise money for our friends at Caring Network. Pick up a baby bottle in the lobby any Sunday between May 8th and June 12th. Fill it with your donation in the form of coins, cash, or a check, then return the bottle to the same table any Sunday up to June 19th. You can also make an <u>online donation to Caring Network</u>. These funds will expand Caring Network's reach to women in unplanned pregnancies in order to help them choose life for their child.



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.

time and require a flexible schedule. If you are someone who has a heart for teens, and are comfortable doing public speaking, please contact Tori Libby at 630-687-1986 or tori@teendecision.org if you'd like to know more.

College Students

Looking for a summer camp counseling opportunity? Consider this opportunity in Pennsylvania with Summer's Best 2 Weeks Camp. Summer's Best (sb2w.org)

If you are a "high-energy, outdoor and sports lovin' college-age student who loves the Lord and is looking for an opportunity to spend your summer in ministry" – this summer experience may be for you. Check it out!

Counselor – Summer's

Best (sb2w.org)

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 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

COMING SOON

Men's 2nd Tuesday

Men come out for an evening of food, fellowship and worship with other men on Tuesday, May 10 from 6-8pm. We'll be hearing about the life and ministry of Charles Spurgeon from Steve Meyer. We'll look at his impact on the church, and how we can apply lessons from



his life to ours so we can be more like Jesus. Join us in room 112

If you are not able to join us in person we will livestream on the <u>CF Men's YouTube channel</u>.



Breakfast Connect

Join us Saturday, May 14, at 9 AM at the Hummingbird Restaurant for Breakfast Connection. Joanne Mascari will be sharing her story with us. Mark your calendar now and plan to come. If you are

planning to come please email Margaret Bangert at mbangert@commfell.org. See you all there!

CareFest (Saturday, May 14th)
Community Fellowship members
are encouraged to volunteer at
CareFest 2022 - one day of service
in the local community.



With the shared goal to build bridges of love and compassion in the community, CareFest volunteers provide time and skill to help complete over 40 projects at schools, not-for-profits, local ministries and homes. Project activity includes cleaning, painting, organizing, repairing, landscaping and more.

There are opportunities for individuals, families, small groups and your friends to serve at CareFest 2022. For more information about project sites and to sign up go to **carefest.eventbrite.com**.

A few possible project sites include:

- 1. Benjamin Middle School West Chicago
- 2. <u>Leman Middle School West Chicago</u>
- 3. <u>Evergreen Elementary School Carol Stream</u>
- 4. WBC Organization 2 One Way Ministries Aurora

Check CareFest out and plan to **engage in serving** our neighbors on Saturday, May 14.

<u>CareFest 2022 - West Chicago Campus | Wheaton Bible Church</u>

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 call 630-562-9184 so we can help you.

Do you like CF?

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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

All Church Gathering

Gather together on Sunday, May 15 for our All Church Gathering and Potluck as we celebrate CF's 29th anniversary as a church. The Potluck theme is HERITAGE. Bring a



dish to share that is part of your family heritage. Your dish could represent your ethnic heritage, country of origin (or adopted country), or you could bring one of your grandma's best recipes.

It would be helpful if you can arrive between 5:15-5:30pm with your food item and your own serving utensils.

If you are able to bring a dish and your last name begins with: **A-G** – bring Dessert | **H-P** – bring Main dish | **Q-Z** – bring Side

Join us at or before 5:30pm in room 112 (lower level) on Sunday, May 15 for a celebration of our HERITAGE and remembering God's faithfulness.

If you need childcare please register by 12pm on Monday, May 9. Please also plan to provide dinner for your child(ren) from home, or from the potluck. To register for childcare, <u>click here</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 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 *God Provided for Ruth* (Ruth). In the JAM56 room we will continue in our study on The Early Church. This Sunday our topic is *New Creation*. Check out the family guide on New Creation.

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. commfell.org/cfkids.

This Week:

Year-end Celebration

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)

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

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 worldrelief.org/respond/#current
- 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 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 does accept 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 <u>does not</u> 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: <u>Join the Team! Career Roles</u> at World Relief Chicagoland

GAPS Partnership with World Relief

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









