



SUNDAY at CHRIST COMMUNITY

ADULTS |

- 9:00a in C1. All welcome
: GenXers [parents of kids elementary-high school]
- 10:45a All welcome
: Light Bearers [generally 50+, all ages welcome] C1
: Faithwalkers [faith-strengthening adults, 50+] C3/4
: Journey [20-30's couples & singles or married] C2 *fragrance free class
: InterConnect [anyone wanting to dive deeper into Sunday's message] G2

STUDENTS | 9:00a

- Middle school [6th-8th grade] CORE C3/4
- High school [9th-12th grade] CORE C2

CHILDREN | all children check in at ORBIT HERE *near west entry

- 9:00a
: early childhood ORBIT [birth - PreK]
: elementary ORBIT [Kindergarten - 5th grade], Connect A-Z
- 10:45a
: early childhood ORBIT [birth - PreK]
: elementary ORBIT [Kindergarten - 3rd grade], Connect 8/9

NOTEWORTHY

Offer a Father's Day Faith Story | The power of parental influence has many faces, many stories. This Father's Day, JUN 18, we'd like to share one of those stories from our own church body. This time around we are particularly interested in hearing from someone whose walk in Christ has been made clearer, stronger, and more impactful because of the faithfulness of a father. Maybe it took you a while to embrace this gift. Maybe you're still figuring it out. Either way, we want to hear about it. Interested in knowing more? Contact Pastor Wayne at wstewart@ccames.org before Sunday, JUN 4.

HIGHLIGHTS

Nursery/Early Childhood Positions | Christ Community Church is accepting applications for a PT Nursery Coordinator and a PT Early Childhood coordinator. Please go to the web site [www.ccames.org] for the position descriptions and applications. Contact Karen Heiligenthal at karen@ccames.org

NEXT STEP is an event designed to introduce you to Christ Community Church. Held on the 1st Sunday of each month, Next Step helps you find ways to connect, and join other newcomers in finding out more about our staff, programs, purposes, and values of Christ Community Church.

Head to ccames.org/serve for more opportunities!



CHURCH

Summer CM Volunteer Needs [for more on these programs see the Summer Programs insert in the Gather+ or go to www.ccames.org]

Sundays: In the summer, Christ Community's Children's Ministry requires 40 people per Sunday to ensure our rooms are safe and effective. With 90% of our every week volunteers taking substantial time off, we are asking for others to step up and keep the Good News "free flowing" in our children's rooms! We need volunteers beginning MAY 28-AUG 20, 9a or 10:45a, for ages birth-5th grade.

Summer FM: JUN 7, 14, 21, 28; 6-7:45p. Volunteers are needed in the kitchen and to clear food tables [perfect small group service activity!].

Thrive: JUN 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, & 29. Volunteers are needed to accompany small groups of kids to sessions. Drivers are also needed for Thrive.

Contact Karen H. [karenwhat@yahoo.com] or Amy Baker [abaker@ccames.org] with the dates, age groups, and service hours you could help this summer.

COMMUNITY

Did you know Christ Community Ames has a "Caring Fund"? We have the privilege of serving hundreds in our community through the Caring Fund ministry. Residents of Ames who qualify can receive financial assistance with rent, utilities and related living expenses. This fund allows us to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the community. We encourage you to prayerfully consider a designated gift for this ministry today!

Latino Family Camp is coming! This annual event will be on AUG 25-27 at Hidden Acres in Dayton. They expect record numbers this year and are encouraging people to sign up early. Contact Renato Jimenez at renato.jimenez@summitefc.com or 712-660-3157 for more information.

Weekly Calendar
May 21-27, 2017

Sunday, May 21

Monday, May 22

- 5:15a—Women's Workout
- 6:00a—Men's Early AM Bball

Tuesday, May 23

- 5:15a—Women's Workout
- 6:00a—Men's Early AM Bball

Wednesday, May 24

- 6:00a—Men's Early AM Bball

Thursday, May 25

- 5:15a—Women's Workout
- 6:00a—Men's Early AM Bball

Friday, May 26

- 5:15a—Women's Workout
- 6:00a—Men's Early AM Bball

Cafe Blinks

- Tuesdays 6:30a -10:30a
- Wednesdays 6:30-11:30a

** Beginning in June Blinks will not be open on Wednesdays*

AT A GLANCE

May

29 - Memorial Day - Offices Closed

June

4, 11, 18, 25 - HS Summer Serve meetings

CONNECT GROUPS [ccames.org/cgroups]

Looking to build relationships and friendships with others at Christ Community? Connect Groups are the place to look! Talk with Laura Teske [lteske@ccames.org] to learn more or to sign up!

MEN [ccames.org/men]

TREK Spring Edition | Has concluded for the year.

Men's Ministry Contact: Ron Stubbs [rcstubbsjr@gmail.com]

WOMEN [ccames.org/women]

Summer YADA in the Park | an informal women's gathering in Moore Memorial Park. We will meet Thursdays at 9:30am [JUN 8-AUG 22] and discuss Lisa TerKeurst's book Uninvited. Kids can come and play.

Evening Summer YADA | Using Beth Moore's study on the book of Esther. Meeting Tuesday evenings 7-8:30p in C1, beginning JUN 13.

Contact Lyndee Heemstra with questions at lyndeeroose04@gmail.com.

Caffeine & Chaos | is done for the season and will resume next fall.

Women's Ministry Contact: Marcia DeZonia [mdezoniam@gmail.com]

CHRIST COMMUNITY FAMILY NEWS

We express our sympathy to **Tyler & Kim Thoen** and family. Tyler's father, Dr. Charles Thoen, passed away on May 8.

We express our sympathy to **Dave & Renae Dunkelberger** and family. Dave's mother, Nanette, passed away on May 15.

STUDENTS [ccames.org/students]

Fusion [Middle School] - Wednesday, 6:30p @ local parks*

Fuel [High School] - Wednesday, 8:00p off campus*

* See calendar on website for weekly locations

INTERNATIONAL [ccames.org/international]

English classes are not meeting in the summer, but will be back in the fall.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES [ccames.org/children]

Determination: deciding it's worth it to finish what you started. Living out God's will for our lives can be tough. Thankfully, God doesn't ask us to do it all alone. He sent the Holy Spirit to help us live more like Jesus! In May, we'll look at how believers in the early church responded to God's call to finish well. Orbit kids will discover ALL that He's given us in order to live determined, too!

Contacts: Karen Heiligenthal [karen@ccames.org], Amy Baker [abaker@ccames.org]

DIVORCECARE

DivorceCare | A 13-week, biblically based, video seminar series for individuals who are separated or divorced. If you have experienced separation or divorce, whether recently or many years ago, or if you know someone who has, we encourage you to learn more about this class. We are not currently meeting but will begin again in the fall. In the meantime, go to www.divorcecare.org to learn more! Questions - contact Laura Teske [lteske@ccames.org].

CONNECT GROUP QUESTIONS Like Jesus: Counsel like Jesus

Begin with Your **HEART**

On the topic of you and counseling...

- What portrayals of counseling have you enjoyed the most and why? The Bob Newhart Show, Frasier, What About Bob, One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest, Thirteen Reasons Why, others?
- Do you see yourself as one who gives counsel or listens well to others?
- Even if not, share briefly about a time that you did give someone counsel, encouragement, or hope by listening and/or sharing. What was the result, or how did that make you feel?

In the **WORD**

On being confident in the sufficiency of Scripture...

- Read **2 Peter 1:3-4** out-loud together. Read at least two versions [It's a "wordy" verse!]
 - Verse 3 says that we, by virtue of God's power, have been given everything we need for life and godliness, a Christ-like life. Do you think God's power and Word are necessary for effective counseling, for changed, Christ-like lives? Why or why not?
 - In verse 4 we see that God's precious and very great promises enable us to become partakers of the divine nature [again, to be Christ-like]. What would be one or two gospel promises that are precious and very great to you? [for example, forgiveness, acceptance, the righteousness of Christ credited to our account, empowerment by His grace and Spirit, etc...]
 - The acrostic **F.A.R.E.** [based on **Is. 55:1-2**, NIV] is represented by the four gospel truths above that help us understand who we are in Christ. "Preach the gospel to yourselves" by taking a moment to thank God aloud for these and other gospel realities in your life.

My **LIFE** - our **MISSION**

On being on mission in a transparent way...

- One of our four values at Christ Community church is "transparent relationships: creating a culture of humility, acceptance, and grace".
 - What, if anything, has made transparency with others difficult for you in the past?
 - Discuss what humility, acceptance, and grace looks like in a healthy Connection Group.
 - What would it take for your Connection Group to grow in transparency?
- **James 5:16** is a challenging "One-Another" verse: "Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed."
 - Either as a group together, or with men and women separated into two groups, share a personal struggle with each other and then pray for one another.
 - Commit individually and as a group to be more real with one another, and to make every effort to respond with grace and truth.

GIVING INFORMATION

Regular, generous giving is part of life-defining worship. General contributions received on Sunday morning, scheduled online at our website, or initiated through the church app support our entire ongoing ministry [General Fund]. Thank you for praying and responding, as God leads, in your worship through giving!

Current information about finances and giving opportunities are available on the church website under GIVE.