

this week at fhc

TUE
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8 AM Zoom prayer meeting

WED
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6:30 PM Worship Rehearsal
6:30 PM Wednesday PM activities

FRI
23

10 AM JOY Group

women's ministry survey

Ladies, as the women's ministry team prepares to plan for the year ahead, we are dedicated to loving God, loving His church and serving our community. We want to do all we can to improve how we do that, and part of that requires us to get a pulse on our congregation. We have created a quick 60-second survey so that we can work towards cultivating a community that glorifies the Lord and serves our women's needs well. Thank you so much for taking the time to fill this out!



coming up

TONIGHT 5:30 PM	June 1 8 AM	June 1 8:45 AM	June 1 Worship	June 16-20 5:30 PM
Water Wars!	Men's STG Prayer	Biscuits & Coffee	Communion	Vacation Bible School!

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Sunday School | 9:15 AM ● Worship Service | 10:30 AM



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God loves us with an everlasting love compelling us to love Him *wholeheartedly*,
to love His Church *visibly*, and to love our neighbor *selflessly*.

Welcome and Greeting

Welcome and Announcements

Travis Rimert

Calling God's People to Worship

from Psalm 33

Leader: Shout for joy in the LORD, O righteous praise befits the upright.

People: **Sing to him a new song. play skillfully and shout for joy!**

Leader: For the word of the Lord is upright; and all his work is done in faithfulness.

People: **The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his steadfast love.**

Calling Upon God: Opening Prayer

Worship Through Song

Ancient of Days

FHC Praise Team

You Are Holy (Prince of Peace)

Confessing Our Sins

O Holy One, we call to you and name you as eternal, ever-present, and boundless in love. Yet there are times, O God, when we fail to recognize you in the dailyness of our lives. Sometimes shame clenches tightly around our hearts, and we hide our true feelings. Sometimes fear makes us small, and we miss the chance to speak from our strength. Sometimes doubt invades our hopefulness, and we degrade our own wisdom. Holy God, in the daily round from sunrise to sunset, remind us again of your holy presence hovering near us and in us. Free us from shame and self-doubt. Help us to see you in the moment-by-moment possibilities to live honestly, to act courageously, and to speak from your wisdom. Amen.

Time of Silent Confession

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Assuring God's People of Forgiveness

Ezekiel 36:25-28

Confessing Our Faith: Heidelberg Catechism #37-39

Leader: What do you confess when you say that he suffered?

People: During all the time he lived on earth, but especially at the end, Christ bore in body and soul the wrath of God against the sin of the whole human race. Thus, by his suffering, as the only atoning sacrifice, he has redeemed our body and soul from everlasting damnation, and obtained for us the grace of God, righteousness, and eternal life.

Leader: Why did he suffer under Pontius Pilate as judge?

People: Though innocent, Christ was condemned by an earthly judge, and so he freed us from the severe judgment of God that was to fall on us.

Leader: Does it have a special meaning that Christ was crucified and did not die in a different way?

People: Yes. Thereby I am assured that he took upon himself the curse which lay on me, for a crucified one was cursed by God.

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Expressing Our Faith

Jonathan Musser

Worship Through Giving

Sharing God's Providence

Special Music

Great Commission Church Choir

Commissioning of Peru Mission Trip Participants

Worship Through the Word

Reading of God's Word: Matthew 6:16-24*

Rev. Nathan Kline

Preaching of God's Word

"Spiritual Priorities"

Worship Through Reflection

The Lion and the Lamb

Benediction

Rev. Nathan Kline

*An announcement will be made when children (ages 5-3rd grade) may leave for Children's Church. Please keep your children with you until they are dismissed. Please make it a priority to pick up your child IMMEDIATELY after service is finished.

announcements

world relief

Today, we are focusing our Sunday on World Relief and their ministry of immigrant resettlement. Director of Mission Services Jonathan Musser will be sharing in the service. We will take a special offering for World Relief today, so if you wish to donate, please designate World Relief on your check or contribution. You may also donate on Church Center.

water wars!

Kids, come join in the SOAKING WET fun today at 5:30 PM! Please bring your super soakers and plenty of towels. See you there!

first glance

New to Friendly Hills? Join us for a meal, fun fellowship, discussion and prayer TONIGHT at 5:30 PM. Childcare is available at the church while we meet at the Mullins' home. Information cards may be picked up from the welcome desk.

fhc leadership retreat

All FHC elders, deacons, community group leaders, and women's ministry committee members are invited to attend this leadership retreat at the church on June 7. We'll gather at 8:30 AM for coffee and doughnuts/fruit and then begin the retreat at 9 AM. Spouses are invited and welcome! Please RSVP through Church Center Signups.

officer nominations

Nominations for the offices of Elder and Deacon are now open. You can nominate spiritually mature men from the congregation for these offices by scanning the QR code. Each person will need three separate nominations to qualify to go through the training.



vacation bible school sports camp

Kids, one of your favorite activities is coming up soon! VBS this year is June 16-20, 5:30-8 PM. There'll be teaching, sports, activities, crafts, dinner and more. Registration is live on Church Center!

women's summer book study

Ladies, come find rest in the lovely setting of the Blue Ridge Parkway as we study Hannah Anderson's *Humble Roots*, an exploration of what it means to pursue a life of peace and humility. We'll gather at ladies' homes each week beginning the week of June 9. Please register through Church Center.

return to rest women's fall 2025 retreat

Ladies, join us October 3-5 in beautiful Brevard, NC at Ridge Haven where we will be joined by speaker Wendy Alsup, PCA and TGC blog contributor, teacher, and author who will take a close look at Psalm 116. Registration is live on Church Center, so sign up as soon as possible as rooms are limited! College-age and up are welcome.

food collection for open door ministries

In May, we are collecting all kinds of cereals for Open Door High Point.

missions

Alex & Jenny Swem / China Education Freedom Fund

Unseen Benefits of Dogged Persistence

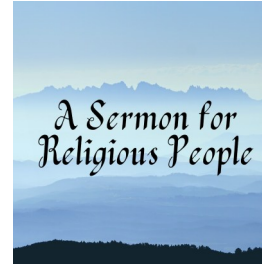
On April 15th, members of the CEFF team joined a call with one of China's leading Christian educators. This former pastor and current professor is currently the key figure behind a herculean effort to re-establish a network of Christian colleges and universities across China. Of course, because of Communist Party persecution, these "illegal" efforts are fraught with difficulty and risk. In fact, the former leader of this project is suffering in a Chinese prison today.

Although the purpose of the call was to discuss CEFF's role in an upcoming conference of Christian educators inside of China, as our time drew to a close this remarkable man suddenly said, "I want to thank you for your dogged persistence in the work of Christian, classical education for Chinese families. CEFF's example of perseverance over the past years has been a catalyst in bringing together the team of 10 men and women who will make this important meeting a reality."

****Pray that the Holy Spirit would strengthen and inspire these brothers and sisters in their daily work at home and in their church and school communities, and that CEFF would keep in step with the Spirit as we assist them.**

prayer

- Pray for those seeking new or different employment.
- Pray for the leadership of the church.
- Pray for those in our church family who are struggling physically, spiritually, financially and emotionally.
- Pray for **Allison Kline** as she works through an MS diagnosis.
- Pray for those affected by Hurricanes Helene & Milton and the wildfires in southern California.



May 18, 2025
Rev. Nathan Kline

"Spiritual Priorities"
Matthew 6:16-24

If you have a request that you would like to be added to the prayer list, please use the Prayer Request form on the FHC website. Immediate personal prayer requests may be sent through the Prayer Group on the Church Center App.