

# Community Gospel Church Communications

Feb 12 ~ Christ Known Near and Far

## Check these out:

- **Baptism Sunday**
  - **Trivia Night “Decades” - Challenge Fundraiser**
  - **Men’s Retreat**
  - **Women’s Bible Studies- *It’s not too late to join!***
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## Baptism Sunday

Join us on May 31st during the 10:10 Worship Gathering for a baptism service. Baptism serves as a public response to the gospel. We follow Christ's example given in Matthew 3, Mark 1, Luke 3 and John 1. We also follow the command Jesus gave in Matthew 28:19. If you have never taken this step of faith and desire to follow this command, sign up [here](#).

### Baptism

At Community Gospel Church, we believe baptism is:

1. A public expression of faith in Christ
2. A step of obedience following salvation
3. A symbol of our identification with Christ's death, burial, and resurrection
4. A testimony to the global church
5. A personal response to the call to advance God's kingdom

## Trivia Night “Decades”

Come support the CGC youth going to Challenge 2026. We are working to help the students raise funds, so they can attend the EFCA youth conference where lives are changed and Christ is made known.

Purchase a table for only \$80.00. This table can seat anywhere from 2 to 8 people. Bring your friends, small group, or family (adults only please). Prizes will be awarded to the table who best shows their chosen decade! So dress up in decade appropriate clothing, decorate your table, and come up with a team name.

While some trivia will be decade specific, we will also have other categories of questions to ensure all people are able to participate and hopefully succeed!

Each table is responsible for their own food, but there will be delicious desserts for sale as an additional fundraiser for our students. There will also be snacks and beverages for purchase at the concession stand.

We will also be selling raffle tickets to win some incredible give-aways donated by local vendors in our area.

The evening will be full of fun, fellowship and some great prizes. You won't want to miss it!

All proceeds go to help the students attend Challenge 2026. Sign-up [here](#).

## Scripture Readers

We are updating our list of people who read scripture for 2026. If you would like to be added to our list of people we regularly contact to read scripture and pray in our Sunday morning gatherings, please reach out to Bethany Muck to be added to the contact list at [bethany.muck@gmail.com](mailto:bethany.muck@gmail.com).

## Corporate Worship Opportunities

Are you looking for a place to get involved, get to know people, and serve together? Our Corporate Worship Ministry's Song Leading Team is in need of musicians to help lead musical worship on Sunday mornings. We have opportunities for all roles - male vocals, bass guitar, and keys. Interested? Contact Bethany Muck ([bethany.muck@gmail.com](mailto:bethany.muck@gmail.com))

## CGC ADULTS

We're excited to introduce CGC Adults, Community Gospel's brand-new outreach ministry — affectionately known as our "adult youth group." (Think: one no longer in the youth group, but not quite ready for senior ministry). Our goal with CGC Adults is to build some serious midlife momentum through fun, fellowship, and meaningful outreach events and we'd love for you to be part of what we have planned!

## Weekly Bible Study

We invite you to join us for a new chapter-by-chapter, verse-by-verse study through the book of Jude. This study will take place every Sunday from 9 to 10am in the Conference Room (excluding the first Sunday of each month, which is reserved for our corporate prayer gathering). No additional preparation is necessary - just come ready with your Bible to study God's Word and explore the rich lessons in the book of Jude. Whether you're a seasoned student of Scripture or new to Bible study, this will be a great opportunity to grow together in faith and understanding. All adults are welcome! We would love to have you join us for this enriching time of fellowship and learning. Whether you're new to the Bible or have been studying it for years, there's always something new to discover! Looking forward to seeing you there this Sunday!

## “Now What?”

“Now What?” is an offering for anyone who wants to explore what CGC offers beyond Sunday morning and understand God's desire for all who attend His church. If you're new here this is your one-stop class to equip you to move from the Sunday morning setting into all that's offered at CGC. Sign-up [here](#).

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## CGC Student Ministries

### Student's Classes

Our preschool program will continue to be kids, ages 4-6, who have not yet gone into Kindergarten and are potty trained.

Elementary students, K-3rd grade will have classes upstairs for 9am and 10:10.

Elementary students in 4-5th grade have class upstairs during the 9am and begin in the adult 10:10 service and are dismissed to class right before the Word is taught.

CGC Youth has 9am hour classes and also will have youth group on most Sunday nights at 6pm-8pm.

### CGC KIDS

Parents, we are going to begin utilizing the PARENT PICK-UP TAGS in the CGC Kids Ministry. These parent tags will match the child check in tags each week and help us to keep our Children's Ministry safe and secure. The tags (with corresponding numbers) will be utilized in 2 ways.

**1. Child Pick Up:** at the end of the service. We will be asking you to show the parent tag in order to pick up your child. This provides a level of security so that all kids are only released to approved guardians. If you have parents picking up in more than one location, feel free to write down the pick-up code and just tell our team of volunteers instead of showing the tag. As a reminder that siblings under the age of 16 are not able to pick up their younger siblings for security purposes as well.

**2. Notifying Parents:** There are times we need to contact parents during the service. To help streamline that process we will flash the code that matches your tag and your child's tag on the bottom of the screens in the sanctuary. We will then ask you to go exit to the welcome area in the main entrance where you will be greeted by one of our security team members. They will let you know which area (nursery, preschool, or elementary) you are needed in and help you find your child that is needed some parental care. As we continue to grow, we believe this will be the most streamlined way to help quickly notify parents without disrupting the corporate gathering.

Thank you parents for working with us as we strive to give our best care to your children each week and provide a place of safety for them to best learn the truths found in the Word of God.

### Superstart 2026

A 2 day conference designed specifically for pre-teens.

#### THEME: MYSTERIOUS TRUTH

Today, it's harder than ever for students to know what's true. With so many voices, opinions, and distractions, truth can start to feel like a mystery waiting to be solved. That's why this year's theme invites students to become truth detectives through the world of a hilarious and thrilling mystery play full of twists, turns, and suspects - where only the best detectives can reveal the truth. Throughout the weekend, your preteens will

investigate Jesus' words in John 8:31–32 and John 14:6, discovering that the truth isn't just something to find—it's someone to know. Like a good detective on the case, they'll learn to look and listen to God for truth, to collect and connect those truths, and finally, to show and tell those truths with others.

We will leave Friday afternoon from the church at 12:00. We will arrive back around 6:30pm on Saturday evening. We will provide dinner Friday, breakfast and lunch (plus snacks) on Saturday.

Cost is \$215 which covers all food, hotel, fun activity, shirt, and the registration for Superstart!

## CGC Kids Volunteers

CGC KIDS: We are looking for people to join our team. There is a place for anyone who wants to serve and we would love to plug you in to the area that would best suit your giftedness. We are specifically looking for people to serve in the following areas (although there are plenty of other opportunities as well)

- 10:10 am Nursery Team Members - We would love to open our Infant Nursery back up and need 8 team members to make that happen.
- Nursery Coordinator- This person will help oversee our Nursery classroom teachers.
- 10:10 am Preschool Team Members-These people assist the Lead Teachers
- 9 am Elementary Team Members- These people assist the Lead Teachers. Beginning in August we will be moving Kindergarten upstairs and need 2 assistants to make this happen smoothly.
- 10:10 am Elementary Team Members - These people would assist the Lead Teacher and help lead small groups. This specifically will start in August when we add our Kindergarten students to our upstairs classrooms.
- Club E Preschool Coordinator- This person will help oversee our Preschool Program of Club E.

## CGC YOUTH

### EFCA NATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE: CHALLENGE

#### **DATES:**

July 13th-18th (Monday-Saturday)

We will leave around 4am on Monday and return Saturday evening super late.

#### **LOCATION:**

Kansas City MO

#### **COST:**

\$800

Cost includes travel expenses, hotel, conference registration, 2 shirts to serve in meals (Monday dinner-Friday dinner...we will have some meals while we travel and you will cover some too), fun activities, service project supplies and transportation, and equipping workshops through the week.

#### **THEME:**

In the Book of Psalms, one truth resounds again and again: God's *nearness*. In every place, every circumstance and every unfiltered emotion, the psalmist returns to the same reality: *God is with us*.

*"Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast." (Ps 139:7-10)*

From desperation to delight, from doubt to devotion, the Psalms show us a loving God who meets His people in every moment. At Challenge 2026 (July 13-17), we'll step into this ancient collection of prayers and songs to encounter the same unchanging truth: the loving presence of God transforms every place we stand. And as students return home, they'll carry with them the deep assurance that, no matter where they are or what they face, God is *even here*.

**Sign up on the church website.**

**\*Church Family- Come support all the students going to Challenge by attending the Trivia Night on March 28<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds from this event will go to help students to attend Challenge! (See announcements above)**

### **CGC Youth Teams Volunteers**

Come join our team! We are looking for volunteers to join the CGC Kids and CGC Youth teams. We have a variety of places to serve, so if you have a heart for pouring into the younger generation, let's get you plugged into a place you can use the gifts God has given you! We are specifically looking for CGC Youth (Sunday Nights) Team Members. But as our Children and Youth Ministries grow, we need more people to be able to meet the needs of our students of all ages. If you are interested in serving reach out via the slip on Sunday Mornings or contact Jessica Krallman for more information at [jkrallman@cgccommunity.com](mailto:jkrallman@cgccommunity.com)

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## **Men's Ministry**

### **Men's Spring Retreat**

**Men's Spring Retreat | March 20–22.** Make plans now to join us for the Men's Spring Retreat at Grace Adventures, March 20–22, featuring Jeff Kemp - former NFL quarterback, author, and national speaker. Jeff coaches leaders and challenges men toward Christ-centered identity, meaningful relationships, and deep friendship. This retreat is a chance to step away, refocus your heart, and invest in your walk with Jesus alongside other men. Sign up through the church website. Use that Christmas money to invest in what matters most.

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## **Missions Ministry**

### **February Missions Focus**

**Dr. Bill Becknell** leads **Agape Unlimited**, a medical ministry to Russia. Agape's mission is to: Go – where no one wants to go; Help – those no one cares about; Share – God's love with everyone; and Teach – others to do the same! They make Christ known by sending medical teams into remote areas and inner city neighborhoods to care for the physical and spiritual needs of people. Since 1993, Agape has helped to start more than 50 churches across rural Russia. Over the years the ministry has expanded to include a farm near Moscow: providing agriculture, a conference center, and ministries for orphans, young people & unwed mothers.

Praise for new Russian leadership for AGAPE Love, taking them into the future.  
Pray for Dr. Sergey and Olya who shared their ministry with us last summer.

Pray for the continuing legal case to recover their assets stolen by their Russian attorney.

*QUOTE from DR BILL: "We are working behind a new wall in a mostly closed country, but because of our long-term presence, we are safe and God is doing amazing things."*

**Daniel & Pnina Kirchevel** serve the physical and spiritual needs of Israel through Bridges for Peace where he is the Director of Operations. They make Christ known through leading Bible studies and many community-based programs of feeding and caring for Holocaust survivors, Israeli citizens and refugees. Holy Land tours and volunteer opportunities bring Christians and Jews together from all over the world. Pray for encouragement through these difficult times in the country of Israel!

### Upcoming Mission Trips:

1. His Hands & Feet- Jamaica, February 14-20 \$1000 Rebuild due to hurricane damage
2. His Hands & Feet- North Carolina to finish prior work? May 16-21 \$750

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## Women's Ministry

### 2026 Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible studies will be kicking off on January 30th. We will be studying the book of Genesis. [Sign up](#) online for the time and place that works best for you. You can order your book [here](#). You won't want to miss this study. Join us as we see Jesus all throughout the book of Genesis.

Bible Study Times:

Sunday Nights @ CGC - 6:15pm

Friday Mornings @ Freya Varner's Home- 9am

Friday Mornings @ CGC- 9:30am

### Alone Together

Alone Together is a group for women who find themselves doing life on their own. They meet once a month on a Monday for a light lunch and fellowship at 11am in the Conference Room. Our next meeting is March 23rd. If you have questions or need transportation, please call Lynette George (574-248-0785) or Jane Buck (574-209-0900). We would love to have you there.

### Moms Ministry

The CGC Moms Ministry is a group for moms with younger children coming together, to encourage one another, help one another, and grow together as we navigate the different stages of life we are in. We meet the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. Our strategy is two-fold---We GROW and we GO! On the second Thursday of the month, we GROW by meeting at CGC and being encouraged through the Word of God. We learn about important topics to help us navigate this stage of life. On the fourth Thursday of the month, we GO

as we work to develop relationships by 'going' and doing things with our kids around the community. These involve a variety of activities, and a calendar will be passed out at our first meetings. These are open to all mom's so please feel free to invite your friends to join us as we raise our kids together!

Mom's Ministry "Go" Gathering will be at CGC on Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00. The kids will be able to enjoy a bounce house, while the moms have a time of fellowship.

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## Monthly Update Video

Beloved church family and friends! To enhance communication with our congregation, we are committed to releasing a monthly video update. These videos will keep you up-to-date on all the activities and initiatives happening in and through Community Gospel, including new projects, events, and ministry updates. You can easily access the video by following the link provided or by visiting our church's YouTube page at any time. Our goal is to keep you informed and connected so we all can continue to make Christ known near and far. To watch our February update video, please click on this link: <https://youtu.be/ZuoEaLTlqDc>

## Online Directory

CGC offers an online directory to help us connect with one another. Changes are sometimes needed and it's time to update. *Have you been blessed with new family members or moved to a new home? Need a new family photo? New to the church and want to be added?* Update/new submission forms are available on the wall in the foyer and can be returned to the church office. Or sign on the bottom of the slip to receive a form. Check out your family at <https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/> - sign in with your email that is in the directory to view your information. Questions can be directed to the church office at [admin@cgccommunity.com](mailto:admin@cgccommunity.com).

## CGC's Music Playlist

What we listen to during the week is important if we are striving to walk in a lifestyle of worship of our Savior and GOD. Why not listen to the songs we sing frequently together? Here is a Spotify playlist that is a compilation of all the songs we sing together.

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/68POyPCfku2avGuV5WHMxm?si=e76b10500dd24883>

## Prayer Partners

You are invited to join us as we move forward in building a culture of prayer at CGC. If you would like to join our team of Prayer Partners that are available for prayer around the foyer and sanctuary following the Sunday service, please contact Pastor Jordan at [jmuck@cgccommunity.com](mailto:jmuck@cgccommunity.com).

## Online Giving

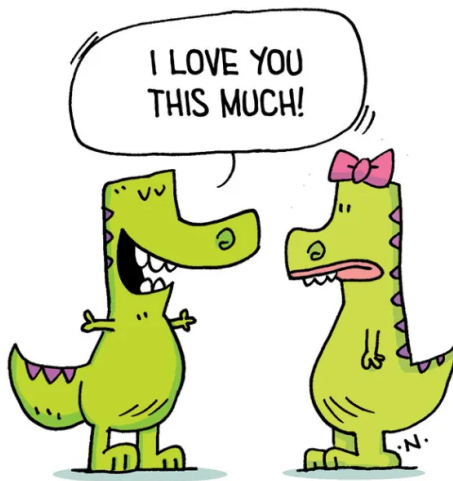
Reminder: For your convenience Online Giving includes bank transfers. To give online, simply fill out the easy online form at <http://communitygospelchurch.com/give>. Make sure to register with your email address and password for future reference of your giving. Please contact the church office with questions at [admin@cgccommunity.com](mailto:admin@cgccommunity.com).

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## CGC CALENDAR

Feb 13-15 – High School Winter Retreat  
Feb 15 – 9am > Classes for all ages  
Feb 15 – 10:10 > Worship Gathering  
Feb 15 – 11:30 > Middle School Fun Event  
Feb 18 – 5:30pm > Midweek Café-Pancakes and Sausage  
Feb 18 – 6pm > Club E  
Feb 26 – 11am > Mom's Ministry  
Feb 27-28 – 12pm > 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Superstart 2026  
Mar 3 – 6pm > Ladies Game Night  
Mar 20-22 – 4pm > Men's Retreat  
Mar 23rd – 11am > Alone Together  
Mar 26<sup>th</sup> – 6pm > Congregational Meeting Over Budget  
Mar 28<sup>th</sup> – 6pm > Trivia Night "Decades"- Challenge Fundraiser  
Jul 13-18 – Challenge 2026 for High School Youth

Have a wonderful week!



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