



CHRIST CHURCH

ORDER OF SERVICE

July 4, 2021

Next Week

July 11, 2021

CHRIST CHURCH | 8:30 & 10:30 AM

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEDITATION

- CALL TO WORSHIP -

+ ADORATION

Minister: Grace, mercy, and peace to you, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Congregation: And also to you.

+ SCRIPTURE

Habakkuk 3:3-4; 2:20

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord!

+ PRAYER

+ HYMN

Come Thou, Almighty King.....331

- CONFESSION -

Exhortation

PSALM

O Lord, My God, Most Earnestly,119

CONFESSION OF SIN

Congregation is invited to kneel if able.

Habakkuk 3:12,16

+ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Habakkuk 3:13,18,19

Minister: Your sins are forgiven through Christ.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

+ CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles Creed.....712

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

Congregation: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Ghost, and born of the virgin, Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hades. On the third day He rose again from the dead, ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

+ RESPONSIVE READING

Minister: And so we begin, by confessing our sins.

Congregation: Whatever is crooked, make it straight.

Minister: Whatever is hard, break it in pieces,

Congregation: Whatever is filthy, wash it clean.

Minister: In the name of Jesus we pray,

Congregation: Amen.

+ PSALM

Oh, Sing a New Song to the Lord.....181a-b

+ Indicates congregation please stand.

- CONSECRATION -

+ SCRIPTURE READING

Joshua 11:15-23; 2 Corinthians 10:1-6

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

NEW MEMBERS

*(If you're interested in membership or baptism, please contact the church office:
office@christkirk.com.)*

Anya Downing, Patrick Castillo family - CC 1st

Ryan and Chariti Saunders - CCD 2nd

PROFESSION OF FAITH BAPTISMS

Anya Downing, Evelyn Verity Haddon Duran - CC 1st

Congregational Charge: Our sister, for you Jesus Christ came to this earth, struggled and suffered; for your sake He crossed Gethsemane and went through the darkness of Calvary; for your sake He cried: 'It is finished'; for your sake He died and for your sake He overcame death; indeed for your sake, our sister, and this is what you have heard and believed. And thus the word of the apostle is confirmed: 'We love God, for He loved us first.

HYMN

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Opening: Habakkuk 3:2

Thanksgiving: Habakkuk 3:17-18

Petitions: Habakkuk 1:5

+ HYMN

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SERMON

The Sufficiency of Christ.....(Ben Merkle)

PRAYER

Ending with *The Lord's Prayer.....725*

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- COMMUNION -

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- COMMISSIONING -

+ CLOSING DOXOLOGY

The congregation may raise hands

Doxology.....734

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessings of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon, and remain with you always.

Amen.

NEXT WEEK

CC/CCD: Doug Wilson, Aaron Ventura, Toby Sumpter

SCRIPTURE READING: Malachi 1:6-14; John 4:19-26

MUSIC: 155, 235a-b, 395, 515, 49a-b

"MAY I COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE?"

The Lord's Supper is observed every Lord's Day at Christ Church. We warmly invite to the Lord's table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and drinking the wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. You also acknowledge to the elders of this congregation that you are in covenant with God, being active in a congregation which is covenantally bound to the triune God through Word and sacrament. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to the elders before or after the service.

THE TEXT

John 7:37-39:

The Promise of the Holy Spirit

37 On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. 38 He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.”

39 But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those [a]believing in Him would receive; for the [b]Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

JESUS AND THE FEAST OF BOOTHES

JESUS IS THE I AM

THE SUFFICIENCY OF CHRIST

FORGIVENESS AND THE SUFFICIENCY OF CHRIST

THE SUFFICIENCY OF CHRIST AND TEMPTATION

CCD 1ST: SEVEN SONS OF SCEVA

TEXT: ACTS 19:8-20

⁸ And he went into the synagogue and spoke boldly for three months, reasoning and persuading concerning the things of the kingdom of God. ⁹ But when some were hardened and did not believe, but spoke evil of the Way before the multitude, he departed from them and withdrew the disciples, reasoning daily in the school of Tyrannus. ¹⁰ And this continued for two years, so that all who dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks.

¹¹ Now God worked unusual miracles by the hands of Paul, ¹² so that even handkerchiefs or aprons were brought from his body to the sick, and the diseases left them and the evil spirits went out of them. ¹³ Then some of the itinerant Jewish exorcists took it upon themselves to call the name of the Lord Jesus over those who had evil spirits, saying, [a]“We [b]exorcise you by the Jesus whom Paul preaches.” ¹⁴ Also there were seven sons of Sceva, a Jewish chief priest, who did so.

¹⁵ And the evil spirit answered and said, “Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are you?”

¹⁶ Then the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, [c]overpowered them, and prevailed against [d]them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded. ¹⁷ This became known both to all Jews and Greeks dwelling in Ephesus; and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified. ¹⁸ And many who had believed came confessing and telling their deeds. ¹⁹ Also, many of those who had practiced magic brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all. And they counted up the value of them, and it totaled fifty thousand pieces of silver. ²⁰ So the word of the Lord grew mightily and prevailed.

CCD 2ND: FURTHER UP 4: NATION, FAMILY, CHURCH, AND GOSPEL

INTRODUCTION

We continue our series on Christian maturity and the pursuit of excellence, and we turn to what the Bible teaches about political maturity. In the midst of the mud-slinging of much political discourse, it can be easy to lose sight of basic Biblical principles, much less, long term goals. Apathy, perfectionism, and compromise are all enemies of political maturity. Central to mature thinking, planning, and acting politically is understanding the Lordship of Christ over all, and the different jurisdictions he has assigned to different authorities.

THE TEXT

“... Then came to him his mother and his brethren, and could not come at him for the press. And it was told Him by certain which said, ‘Thy mother and Thy brethren stand without, desiring to see Thee.’ And He answered and said unto them, ‘My mother and My brethren are these which hear the word of God, and do it’” (Lk. 8:19-21).

NATIONS AND FAMILIES

The Bible teaches that nations are the natural extension of families multiplying. It frequently refers to nations as the “families of the earth” (e.g. Gen. 28:14, Ps. 22:27, Zech. 14:17). In Eph. 3:15, Paul writes, “For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.” The word translated as “family” in Greek is *patria*, which is derived from the root word *pater*, which means “father,” but it can also refer to a much larger sociopolitical group such as an entire nation of people. *Patria* is where we get the words “patriot” and “patriotism” and the notion of right love and loyalty to one’s nation. This family-nation connection is true biologically, but Paul is clearly insisting that it goes deeper and broader than that, since every family is named after God the Father. And this is precisely what God began to teach His people early on through the gift of His covenant. To Abraham, God said, “As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations. Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee” (Gen. 17:4-5). While biological conception was always an important part of the growth and expansion of families/nations, from this very moment, God also instituted circumcision, in effect saying, but do not think of this covenant as a purely physical/blood relationship. Abraham’s entire household, including his male servants, were circumcised, Israel went up out of Egypt as a “mixed multitude” (Ex. 12:38), and Paul goes to great lengths to insist that this covenant was by faith not by the power of the flesh (Rom. 4:16-21). “Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham” (Gal. 3:7ff). God has always taught His people that water is thicker than blood.

JESUS, LORD OF ALL NATIONS

All of this means that the Bible views the governments of the family, church, and state, as different sorts of families, nations, or covenants. While we have already seen this with families and nations, the Church also has “fathers” (cf. 1 Cor. 4:15) and is called the “household of faith” (Gal. 6:10), “the household of God” (Eph. 2:19, 1 Tim. 3:15, 1 Pet. 4:17) as well as a “holy nation” (1 Pet. 2:9) in which Christians have a citizenship (Phil. 3:20). And this brings us full circle to the words of Christ: “My mother and My brethren are these which hear the word of God, and do it” (Lk. 8:21).

The point is not merely one about biological family (although it includes that); it's far more expansive, including all of our "mothers and brothers," in our families, churches, and nations – all natural loves and kindred are subject to God's word. When Jesus rose from the dead, He said, "All authority in Heaven and on Earth has been given to me, therefore go and disciple the nations..." (Mt. 28:18ff). Jesus is Lord of the nations: Lord of family-nations, church-nations, and country-nations. In the ordinary course of things, there are spiritual and physical relations and loves, similarities and differences running through all of these nations, including language, culture, belief, tribes, practice, land, work, marriage, children, history, symbols, and more. But only allegiance and obedience to the Father who is over all and in all can rank and sort these allegiances rightly (Eph. 4:6). How do you build a family, a church, or a nation? By hearing and obeying the Word of God.

HOW SHALL WE THEN LIVE?

Family: The marriage covenant is the core of this governmental jurisdiction, and it constantly pictures the Covenant of Grace in which Christ is Head of the Church (Eph. 5:22ff). As Lord of the family-nation, Jesus assigns the tasks of education, health, and welfare to this jurisdiction (Eph. 5-6). This includes care for elderly parents or other needy relatives (Mk. 7:11), the first line of defense for orphans and widows and similar needs, and a man that does not provide for his own household is worse than an unbeliever (1 Tim. 5:1ff). Our fundamental allegiance to Jesus sometimes does mean losing or straining family relationships where there is a refusal to hear God's word and obey. But the gospel turns the hearts of fathers and children (Mal. 4:6).

Church: The church has been given the keys of the Kingdom by Jesus Christ and is commissioned to preach the gospel to every nation, teaching them to obey the entire Word of God, calling the saints together for worship, admitting disciples through baptism to the Table, and barring those from fellowship who do not obey Christ (Mt. 16:17-19, 18:15-20, 1 Cor. 5:1-5, 2 Thess. 3:14-15). The church proclaims the water of the Word – which is the Word of the New Covenant in the shed blood of Christ that cleanses families and nations from their animosities and feuds. But the church is not partisan to any other government. It teaches all men to honor all of their fathers (at every level), and so it teaches true family loyalty and patriotism in Christ. A patriot honors his fathers. But the church is a completely independent government from all other governments. This is why it is unseemly and confused (at best) and idolatrous (at worst) for churches to conduct worship services that confuse national identity with Christian identity.

State: The civil magistrate has been given the sword by Christ to punish criminals and keep good public order (Rom. 13:4). Civil magistrates receive their power from God and are established to praise the good and be a terror to those who do evil (Rom. 13:3). Just as God establishes the authority, He also establishes the standards and the definitions. A magistrate who ignores or openly defies the One from whom he receives his authority is cutting off the branch he stands on. Magistrates are true "foster fathers" (Is. 49:23) who hear the word of God and obey it in their offices, laws, and judgments. And those nations that keep covenant with the Lord of the nations will bring their glory and honor all the way into Heaven (Rev. 21:24). But all dogs, sorcerers, whoremongers, murderers, and idolaters will be shut out (Rev. 22:15). So it is right and good to ask God to cast down all evil, to thank Him for the true glory He has given to our nation and celebrate it, and ask Him to grow and safeguard it all the way to Heaven.

Come, Thou Almighty King

1. Come, Thou Al - might - y King, Help us Thy name to sing;
 2. Come, Thou In - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy might - y sword;
 3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
 4. To Thee, great One in Three, E - ter - nal prais - es be

Help us to praise! Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic -
 Our pray'r at - tend; Come, and Thy peo - ple bless, And give Thy
 In this glad hour. Thou who al - might - y art, Rule now in
 Hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty May we in

to - ri - ous, Come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 Word suc - cess. Spir - it of Ho - li - ness, On us de - scend.
 ev - 'ry heart And ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
 glo - ry see And to e - ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore.

Music: Felice de Giardini, 1769
 Text: Whitefield's *Collection*, 1757

ITALIAN HYMN
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O Lord, My God, Most Earnestly

From Psalm 63

1. ¹O Lord, my God, most ear - nest - ly I seek Your ho - ly face
 2. ³The lov - ing - kind - ness of my God Is more than life to me,
 3. ⁷Be - neath the sha - dow of Your wings I sing my joy and praise.

²With - in Your house, a - gain to see The glo - ries of Your grace.
⁴So I will praise You all my days And pray con - tin - ual - ly.
⁸Your right hand is my strong sup - port Through trou - bled nights and days.

¹A - part from You I long and thirst, And naught can sat - is - fy;
⁵In You my soul is sat - is - fied, My dark - ness turns to light,
⁹All those who seek my life will fall; My life is in Your hand.

I wan - der in a des - ert land Where all the streams are dry.
⁶And joy - ful med - i - ta - tions fill The watch - es of the night.
¹¹God's king and peo - ple will re - joice; In vic - t'ry they will stand.

Music: Thomas Tallis, 1567; alt.

Text: *The Psalter*, 1912; alt. *Psalter Hymnal*, 1987 ©

THIRD MODE MELODY

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Oh, Sing a New Song to the LORD

From Psalm 98:1-3

1. ¹ Oh, sing a new song to the LORD, For won-ders He has done,

For won - ders He has done; His right hand and His ho - ly arm

The vic - to - ry have won, The
The vic - to - ry have
The

The vic - to - ry have won, The vic - to - ry have
vic - to - ry have won, The vic - to - ry have won.
won, The vic - to - ry have won.
vic - to - ry have won, The vic - to - ry have won.
won, The vic - to - ry have won.

2. ² The great salvation wrought by Him
Jehovah has made known.
His justice in the nations' sight
He openly has shown.

3. ³ He mindful of His grace and truth
To Israel's house has been,
The great salvation of our God
All ends of earth have seen.

Your Law Is Honey

From Psalm 119:97-104

1. My med - i - ta - tion is Your law! I love to con - tem - plate
2. More than my teach - ers I have learned; Your laws in - struct my heart.

8 All day the law You gave to us. Through Your commands You made me wise,
More than the an - cients I have learned Be - cause I keep Your ho - ly law

More than my en - e - mies can know,
And do not cling to van - i - ty,
More than my en - e - mies can know,
And do not cling to van - i - ty,
More than they know,
And do not cling

21 More than my en - e - mies can know.
And do not cling to van - i - ty.

3. I keep my feet from evil ways
That I might keep Your Word.
I have not left Your judgments off,
For You have taught Your law to me,
To one who walks within that Word.

4. I taste the sweetness of Your words!
Your law is honey, pure.
And through Your laws I learn the way
Because Your truth instructs me now
I come to hate the liar's path.

How Firm a Foundation

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,
 3. "When *through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,*
 4. "When *through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,*
 5. "Ev'n down to old age all My peo - ple shall prove
 6. "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
 For I am thy God and will still give thee aid.
 My *grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;*
 The *riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;*
 My sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can He say than to you He hath said,
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 The *flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign*
 For I will be *with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,*
 And when hoar - y hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,
 That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

To you who, for re - fuge, to Je - sus hath fled.
 Up - held by My right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
 Thy *dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.*
 And *sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.*
 Like lambs they shall still in My bos - om be borne.
 I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er for - sake."

The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

Cantor *Congregation*

9 Our Father who art in Heav-en, Hal-low - ed be Thy name. 10 Thy king-dom come.

5
8 Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heav-en. 11 Give us this day our dai-ly bread,

8
12 And for-give us our tres-pass-es as we for-give those who tres - pass a- gainst us.

10
8 13 And lead us not in - to temp-ta - tion, but de-liv-er us from e - vil; For Thine is the

12
8 king - dom and the pow'r and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Music: Tradional, very ancient

Text: Holy Bible, King James Version, 1611

Like a River Glorious

1. Like a riv - er glo - rious is God's per - fect peace, O - ver all vic - to - rious
 2. Hid - den in the hol - low of His bless - ed hand, Nev - er foe can fol - low,
 3. Ev - 'ry joy or tri - al fall - eth from a - bove, Traced up - on our di - al

in its bright in - crease; Per - fect, yet it flow - eth full - er ev - 'ry
 nev - er trait - or stand; Not a surge of wor - ry, not a shade of
 by the Sun of Love. We may trust Him ful - ly all for us to

day, Per - fect, yet it flow - eth deep - er all the way.
 care, Not a blast of hur - ry touch the spir - it there. Stayed up - on Je -
 do; They who trust Him whol - ly find Him whol - ly true.

ho - vah, hearts are ful - ly blest, Find - ing, as He pro - mised, per - fect peace and rest.

Music: James Mountain, 1876
 Text: Frances Ridley Havergal, 1878

WYE VALLEY
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LORD, Thou Hast Searched Me

From Psalm 139:1-12

1. ¹LORD, Thou hast searched me, and dost know ²Where'er I rest, wher - e'er I go;
 2. ⁴My words from Thee I can - not hide, ⁵I feel Thy pow'r on ev - 'ry side;
 3. ⁷*Where can I go a - part from Thee, Or whith - er from Thy pres - ence flee?*
 4. ⁹If I the wings of morn - ing take, And far a - way my dwell - ing make,
 5. ¹¹If deep - est dark - ness cov - er me, The darkness hid - eth not from Thee;

Thou know - est all that I have planned, ³And all my ways are in Thy hand.
⁶Oh, wondrous knowledge, aw - ful might, Un - fath - omed depth, un - meas - ured height!
⁸*In heav'n? It is Thy dwell - ing fair; In death's a - bode? Lo, Thou art there.*
¹⁰The hand that lead - eth me is Thine, And my sup - port Thy pow'r di - vine.
¹²To Thee both night and day are bright; The dark - ness shin - eth as the light.

Music: Herbert Stephen Irons (1834-1905)

Text: *The Psalter*, 1912

HOPE (Irons)

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279b

LORD, Thou Hast Searched Me

Cont'd, Psalm 139:13-24

6. ¹³All that I am I owe to Thee, Thy wis-dom, Lord, has fash-ioned me;
 7. ¹⁵Ere in - to be - ing I was brought, Thine eye did see, and in Thy thought
 8. ¹⁷*Thy thoughts, O God, how man - i - fold, More pre-cious un - to me than gold!*
 9. ¹⁹The wick - ed Thou wilt sure - ly slay, From me let sin - ners turn a - way;
 10. ²³Search me, O God, my heart dis - cern, Try me, my in - most thought to learn;

14 I give my Mak - er thank - ful praise, Whose wondrous works my soul a - maze.
 16 My life in all its per - fect plan Was or - dered ere my days be - gan.
 18 *I muse on their in - fin - i - ty; A - wak - ing I am still with Thee.*
 20 They speak a - gainst the name di - vine; 21 I count God's en - e - mies as mine.
 24 And lead me, if in sin I stray, To choose the ev - er - last - ing way.

Music: Herbert Stephen Irons (1834-1905)

Text: *The Psalter*, 1912

HOPE (Irons)

8 8. 8 8.

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Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low;

Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Music: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551; alt.
Text: Thomas Ken, 1709

OLD HUNDREDTH
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**NEW TO CHRIST CHURCH?
LET'S GET CONNECTED!**

DAILY CHURCH EMAIL:

Email office @christkirk to be added to the list. We will set up a profile in Church Community Builder (CCB)-our online directory- for you.

PICTURES ON YOUR CCB PROFILE:

1. Log into your CCB profile at christkirk.ccbchurch.com
2. Click on your initials in the top right corner
3. Click on the camera icon below your initials in the gray square
4. Select photo from your computer files
5. Click the blue 'Add' button
6. You're set! People now know who you are.

These steps are largely the same on your phone, but instead of clicking camera icon you just need to tap on the gray square and upload from your phone's album.

ADDING CCB TO YOUR PHONE:

<https://www.christkirk.com/ccb-phone/>

WANT TO BECOME A MEMBER:

Complete this form - <https://bit.ly/christ-kirk-membership> - and the office will contact you about the procedure.

CHRIST CHURCH EVENTS

- + **Open House Baby Shower for Rachel and Louis LaFerriere:** Thursday, July 15, 7:00-8:30 pm, Wintz home, 1004 Dairy Lane.
- + **Open House Baby Shower for Caroline Young and baby girl:** Wednesday, July 21, 7:30-9:00 pm, Lenora Knight's home, 437 E. Spotswood.
- + **Double bridal shower for Kelsie Elmore (engaged to Tim Zornes) and Whitney Elmore (engaged to Matthew Morris):** Friday, July 23, 7:00-9:00 pm, 1004 Skyview Loop.

RECURRING EVENTS

- + **Men's prayer meeting for revival:** Fridays, 6:30 am, Nuart Theater.
- + **Church choir** will resume in August.

COLLEGIATE REFORMED FELLOWSHIP (CRF)



CRF SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

When? Wednesdays at 7:00pm
Where? The Grays' (1105 N Polk Ext.)

CRF