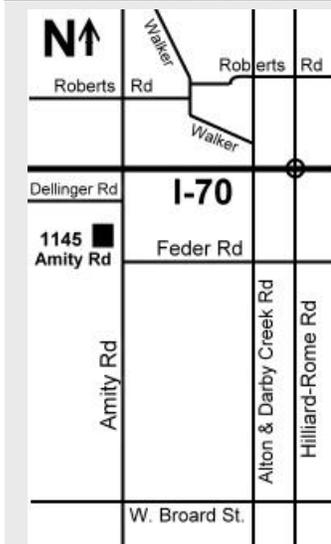


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Our Mission

Darby Creek Community Church exists to glorify God by making disciples who know Christ, grow in Christ, and proclaim Christ.

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Sunday Service

10 am

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Keeping Christ at the Center of Your Home

By Pastor Greg Burlile

On Easter Sunday, one of the points of my message was that Jesus Christ is the key to understanding the Bible. He's at the center of it all. Not only that, but having a growing relationship with Jesus is the key to finding our purpose ("For in him we live and move and have our being..." Acts 17:28). Beginning a relationship with Jesus by faith is a wonderful thing, however it's a continual fight against the flesh to keep the Lord at the center of our lives and our family life.

You may be wondering what are some ways you can fight to keep Christ at the center of your family life. Below are some tips and thoughts to do just that.

Have a Plan for Family Devotions: If you fail to plan, you plan to fail. That is true in general, but also when it comes to having family devotions. As our kids were growing up, we used to sit around the dinner or breakfast table going through the "Sticky Situations" devotional series. It took about 15 minutes to read the short devotional and related Bible verses and then pray together as a family. Trust me, your kids may fight you tooth and nail on this, but planting Gospel seeds by doing these devotions is worth the hassle. Find a good Christian family devotional, get a plan, and then work the plan.

Make Church Attendance and Ministry Service a Top Priority: Decide ahead of time that attending church service is not an option. Kids will see spotty attendance as though God and the Body of Christ (His Church) is an add-on and not a necessity for the believer. As your kids grow, get them involved in serving in a church ministry when ministry sign-ups come along at the end of summer. Ministry service at a young age helps kids see that church is not just something we "get from" but is also something we "give to".

Be On the Alert for the Enemy: Peter warns us to watch out for our enemy in his first letter (1 Peter 5:8 Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.) As a parent, you should pray for protection for your children. Social media, television / Netflix viewing, and influences at school are just a few places that can be openings for Satan to get a foothold in your family. As parents, we must pray and ask God for discernment in making wise decisions for our family and in helping our children learn to make godly choices.

Stay Close as a Couple: Your relationship with your spouse is one of the first points of attack by the enemy. Satan loves to disrupt a couple's communication and to get them to drift apart relationally. So, make sure you get some kind of regular date night or time away from the kids even if it is just for an hour. If both you and your spouse are believers, make God part of your time together by praying together or sharing what God has been showing you in your personal devotions recently. Consider being part of one of the church small groups together to help keep Christ at the center of your relationship. Sit down with a calendar right now and plan your next date night.

Have God-Talks Throughout the Day / Week: Deuteronomy 6:6-7 says, "These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up." The implication is that our children need to see that God is involved and relevant in everything that is going on in our lives. Every moment is a possible God-teachable moment. This also shows our kids that God is not just a slice of our lives we relate to on Sundays, but that He desires to be involved in every aspect of our lives.

You very well may not be able to start doing all these things at once, so why don't you pick one and start working on it today and keep fighting for the Christ-centered life and a Christ-centered family.



From The Pastor's Desk . . .

Company 4:6

Staying Focused on "Love God. Love Neighbor."



Almost every time we try to focus on spiritual or personal growth in some area, we can get distracted from that goal in just a few short weeks. It is no different as a church either. To start our 2016 we introduced our church focus for the year: Loving God through prayer and loving our neighbor. I'd like to give you some practical ways that you can stay focused on these.

PRAYER: Wednesday, April 20 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm we will be showing the movie *War Room*. This movie is a realistic and encouraging film about the power of prayer in the life of a believer. Linda and I have both seen this movie and were personally moved by it. Please make every effort to come. Bring the whole family to watch (no child care is provided) and feel free to bring a friend, too. We will watch it in the church building sanctuary. This movie has the potential to inspire and encourage your personal prayer life like never before.

In addition to that, we have the 12-Hour Prayer Vigil this month. This concentrated night of prayer scheduled for April 22 & 23 is an encouraging time to unite together and intercede in prayer for one another and our loved ones. Take the opportunity to sign up for an hour or more of prayer or even sign up to be an hourly prayer leader at this event.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR: Below are some very practical ways you can love your neighbor. Why not pick one of them and take action on it!

1. Invite a neighbor over for dessert, lunch, or dinner this weekend.
2. If you see someone moving in, bring them dinner, cookies, or basic supplies they might need before they unpack, like paper towels, toilet paper, and hand soap.
3. Use your kids as an ice breaker. Invite a fellow mom and her kids over for a play date and get to know her over a tall glass of ice tea.
4. Get outside the walls of your house. You'll meet neighbors as you walk the dog, take walks, work in your yard, or hang out at your neighborhood pool. Don't just wave; be intentional about saying hello and getting to know them.
5. Pray for people. Ask God for love for your neighbors.
6. As you have opportunities to talk about spiritual things, talk about your faith in Christ and the church. Ask your neighbor what they believe about God and listen to their stories about their exposure to church, etc. Share your story of how you can to faith in Christ.

By Pastor Greg Burlile



Company 4:6 Men's Workshop

Saturday, April 9th
8 - 9:30 am
Der Dutchman
Rt.42, Plain City

Breakfast & Fellowship

All men are welcome.

War Room Movie



Wednesday
April 20th
6:30 - 8:30 pm
Sanctuary
All are welcome!

'Love God. Love Neighbor.' Verse of the Month

Praying at all times in the Spirit,
with all prayer and supplication.
To that end
keep alert with all perseverance,
making supplication for all the saints.

Ephesians 6:18 (ESV)



Leadership Team Meeting

Sunday, April 17th
12n - 1:30p
In the Fellowship Hall
Bring your Lunch!!



Easter Morning in K.I.C.K.

FH Makeover



K.I.C.K. Kids celebrate the risen Christ



3 guys vs. one shade (The shade won.)

Pastor Greg led multiple teams of painters who totally painted and cleaned up the Fellowship Hall. The most heavily used space in the building now looks great again!



Good Friday Experience



Good Friday
March 25, 2016
6 - 8pm



↑ Cookie Time



← While the adults watched segments of the *Passion of the Christ* and reflected on Jesus' ultimate sacrifice for us, the kids spent time in the Fellowship Hall building models of the crucifixion site.

DCCC Financial Snapshot



For the period starting 9/1/15 and ending 2/29/16:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
Income :	\$ 118,421.38	\$ 105,240.00
Expenses:	\$ <u>107,280.87</u>	\$ <u>105,202.00</u>
Difference:	\$ 11,140.51	\$ 38.00
Operating Fund Balance:		\$30,339.14



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12 Hour Prayer Vigil



We will be holding a 12 - Hour Prayer Vigil on Friday April 22nd 7 pm to 7 am Saturday, April 23rd. We hope to have 3-4 people per hour praying over prayer cards that have been filled out by DCCC attenders. The purpose of this vigil is to unite in prayer to praise, thank and petition God for His will to be done in our lives, our church, our community and our country. God calls us to pray and his Word teaches us that He is there in the midst of our prayers when we gather together. We encourage you to be a part of the prayer vigil and come expecting to see God answer prayers and pour out His Holy Spirit upon us.

Sign-ups for hourly time slots will begin on Sunday April 10th. We are currently looking for people willing to be "Hourly Leaders." If you are interested in being a leader for 1 or more hours of the vigil or would like more information, please sign-up at Sunday Service or contact Julie Roys at Jroys86@gmail.com or text / call Julie at 614-209-3402.

Easter Egg Hunt



Egg Stuffers

The Youth Group jump started the egg stuffing by filling 50 dozen eggs. The Wednesday night egg stuffers filled 82 dozen more.



Thanks to all who donated to the hunt, those who stuffed and all the workers on hunt day. We couldn't have done it without you!



Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 19th

Rain, snow and an early crowd combined for a wild time the day of the hunt. We had 150 participants!!!!

