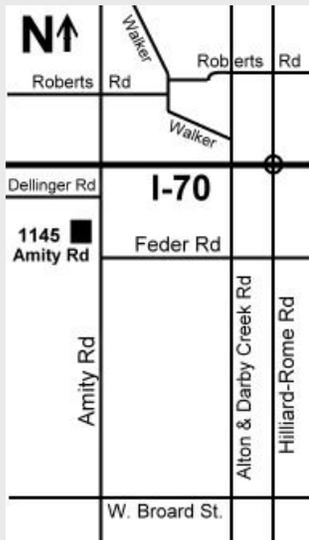


July 2016

Come Visit Us!



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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Don't Miss the Grace of God

by Pastor Greg Burlile

Once I gave my life to Christ, I was committed to weekly worship with my church family. As a single or married person, I rarely missed the Sunday gathering of the local body of Christ that I called "my church". Now we see in America, Christians on average attend weekly worship gatherings maybe 2 times per month. It's understandable for those who work jobs that require some weekends, but for many believers work is not the excuse. Other things are taking priority over Sunday worship attendance.

I know our church is not the perfect church (in fact, no church is) and our Sunday worship is not like attending a Chris Tomlin concert followed by the preaching ministry of Rick Warren / Andy Stanley / Alistair Begg / Insert Your Favorite Preacher's Name Here. In spite of our Sunday service short comings and imperfections, God meets with us as we gather together in corporate worship and sit under the teaching of the living Word of God.

Once you become a Christian, you are placed into "the body of Christ", the Church. You are part of a new family and just like a family, it's essential that the family spend time together. If a family doesn't spend time together, the individual members of the family suffer. If we neglect meeting for weekly worship, we miss out on all the "one another" mutual ministry that can happen when we gather. God's grace is poured out on us at Sunday worship service as we receive the encouragement of others and experience the expressions of other believer's spiritual gifts being practiced. We miss out on hearing God speak to our church family through the preaching of God's Word. God sovereignly speaks to our church family by leading our pastors and elders in the sermon series they teach. So much is missed when we neglect meeting with our church family.

As a parent of three children, I know Sunday mornings can be a real battle ground and that many Sunday mornings it would be so much easier to stay home and not have to keep after the kids to get ready to leave, etc. Let me encourage you – the battles are worth it. I know what it is to work long hours and multiple jobs and feel like staying home on Sunday mornings. There are Sunday's when the fact that I'm scheduled to preach is the only thing getting me there. We just cannot let our feelings guide our lives. We must see that our church family and our weekly gathering is a major part of God's provision for our lives and our spiritual growth.

Here are a few ideas that may help you and your family to have the best Sunday worship experience:

Prepare Your Heart – Remember that you are not only going to meet with your church family, but you are going to meet with God! That's an amazing thought! So, come expectantly to the worship service. Come looking for God to speak to you as you come to meet with Him. This is an issue of faith.

Get Enough Sleep – Do you really want to get the most out of the weekly gathering? Go to bed early enough on Saturday night so that you are refreshed and rested. When you are well rested, you will be alert physically and therefore more ready to hear from God.

Plan Ahead – If you have young kids, prepare them the night before to come to church service. Help them get their clothes picked out and remind them about meeting with God. Figure out the shower schedule and departure time and communicate those to the family. Plan to arrive 15 minutes before service starts. If you do that, you will most likely be on time.

These three ideas are from an article / interview done with worship leader Bob Kauflin who serves as director of Sovereign Grace Music (<http://www.desiringgod.org/articles/no-normal-sundays>)

May God pour out His Spirit on our church body as we seek to hear from Him and worship Him each Sunday morning.

From The Pastor's Desk . . .



Persistence and Faithfulness in Ministry

Faithfulness. Faithfulness. Faithfulness. That's the theme God keeps bringing to me every time I get some time to reflect and step back from the trees to see the forest of ministry. Our front page article last month was on fighting against complacency and it mentioned faithfulness, too. But, I just can't seem to get it off of my mind. There is a quote I ran across I'd like to share with you:

"Persistence isn't about gritting your teeth to endure challenges and keep going. Instead, it's a commitment to serve faithfully, while discerning what the challenges are and how to face them" – author unknown

I like that quote because it reminds us it's not just about keeping on in our faith or keeping the church going, it's about improving and overcoming obstacles to improvement in our church ministry as we keep on serving the Lord at DCCC.

That being said, one of the things I'm going to be taking a look at this summer is our small groups ministry. I'm very thankful to those who have stepped up to the leadership plate and are currently leading a Darby Creek small group. Our group leaders put in a lot of time and they serve our church community well. I'm planning on visiting each of our small groups this summer. In doing so, I hope to encourage our small group leaders as well as look for ways to improve how we are doing groups at DCCC. Toward the end of the summer we will schedule a one-day training for our small group leaders so they can get some continuing education and encouragement in small group leadership.

If you are a small group leader, you should expect to hear from me soon so that I can schedule a visit to your group. This is all in the spirit of being faithful with the ministry the Lord has given us here at this church. We need to see what is working well and what needs improvement and then seek wisdom on how to improve.

Please pray for me and our small groups ministry. Pray the results of the group leadership training would be that our group leaders will be built up and equipped to lead and will result in strong Biblical communities that are outposts of faith in our local community.

By Pastor Greg Barlile

Company 4:6

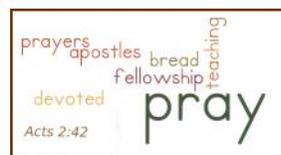


Company 4:6 Men's Workshop

Saturday, July 9th
8 - 9:30 am
Fellowship Hall

Breakfast & Fellowship
All men are welcome.

Prayer Meeting



Wednesday
July 20th
6:30 - 8 pm
Sanctuary

All are welcome!

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

Walk in wisdom toward outsiders,
making the best use of the time.
Let your speech always be gracious,
seasoned with salt, so that
you may know how you ought to
answer each person.



Colossians 4:5-6 (ESV)

Leadership Team Meeting

Mark Your Calendars!
Leaders Appreciation Lunch
Sunday, August 21st
12n - 1:30p
In the Fellowship Hall



Operation 5:16



June 20-25

Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.
Matthew 5:16



Mike Faler sharing about the love of God

- Evangelism
- FOOD
- Devotionals
- FOOD
- Service
- FOOD
- Learning
- FOOD
- Fun



Nick oversees the fun!



Backyard Bible Club



Worship Time with Sam and Megan



Water balloon battle

Oh what a week! Thanks to all who made it possible—volunteers, participants, donors. Special thanks and hugs to Nick Higgins and Kathy Miller.

Shine on!



Ray Miller's Bucket Dunker

DCCC Financial Snapshot



For the period starting 9/1/15 and ending 5/30/16:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
Income :	\$ 168,918.49	\$ 157,860.00
Expenses:	\$ 160,315.78	\$ 157,708.00
Difference:	\$ 8,602.71	\$ 152.00
Operating Fund Balance:		\$32,417.81



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Summer Sunday Picnics



The 2nd and 4th Sundays of
July & August
After Service!
Bring-Your-Own Lunch

Picnics: Sunday, July 10th & 24th

Ministry Sign-ups



Our 2015-16 Ministry Service year is winding down and we are getting ready for the new year beginning in September. In the next few weeks, the Ministry Opportunity Sheet will be in the bulletin and we ask that you prayerfully consider where you will serve God and others at Darby Creek next year. We need everyone to step up and join in.

C.L.A.S.S. Schedule

Mark your calendars and plan on attending the following CLASSES. All will be held at the Church Building from 9am to 12n.

CLASS 101 - July 23rd REGISTERING NOW

This class is designed to answer questions most newcomers have regarding our church. The 101 class covers salvation, baptism, communion, along with the purposes, strategy, structure, and affiliations of our church. Membership requirements, benefits, and responsibilities are explained.

CLASS 202 - August 6th

CLASS 202 focuses on two of the basic habits every Christian needs to grow to spiritual maturity: Prayer, and Giving. You'll discover the what, why, when, and how of these habits. We believe that these habits are to be enjoyed rather than endured! Come discover how!

CLASS 301 - September 24th

The goal of this class is that you will begin to discover how God has uniquely designed you for ministry in His church. You'll begin the journey of learning your God-given Passion, Spiritual Gift(s), & Personal Style. It is God's desire for every Christian to discover, develop and use their God-given gifts, talents, & abilities.

CLASS 401 - November 5th

The last class in the basic series focuses on sharing the good news of Jesus with others. This class will cover the great commission, friendships with unbelievers, starting spiritual conversations, evangelism through discovery Bible study, and other practical ways to share the gospel. The overall goal of the class is to motivate and equip you to share your faith with comfort and confidence.

There will be sign-up sheets in your bulletin four weeks prior to each CLASS.