

## ANNOUNCEMENTS [www.allgather.org/calendar](http://www.allgather.org/calendar)

**Love in Action:** Join us as we help a family from our Creekside community move Mon, Feb 29 at 5pm. The Father has had surgery and is unable to do any lifting. For more information contact Suzannah Pessagno 919-622-3488

**Local Music:** Come out and see our own Brett Harris at the Cat's Cradle, 300 E. Main St Carrboro, Fri March 4 @ 8pm for his latest CD release.

**Prayer room** – The prayer room will be open through Lent, which ends Thursday, March 24. You may come on a day, evening, weekend, that is convenient for you. Individuals, couples, and families with children over aged 7 are encouraged to participate. This is an opportunity for our church to come together in focused prayer for each other, our families, our church, and our world. Please contact Emily Faison at the church office to set up a time and get specifics. [emily@allgather.org](mailto:emily@allgather.org) or 919-797-2884.

**Marked Men For Christ Opportunity:** Phase I event at Camp Caraway, March 18-20. For More information contact Steve Kurtz, [skurtz007@gmail.com](mailto:skurtz007@gmail.com). Register at [www.markedmenforchrist.org](http://www.markedmenforchrist.org)

### WAYS TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Tithes and offerings can be placed in the black box on the back table, given electronically online through your banks Bill Pay service (sent to the church address, see below), by Dwolla or Paypal. For questions, contact Sheana Funkhouser, [sheanafunkhouser@gmail.com](mailto:sheanafunkhouser@gmail.com)

### INFORMATION & CONNECTING

To find out more about the Gathering Church, or to connect, please fill out a card on the back table and place it in the black box.

#### CHURCH STAFF

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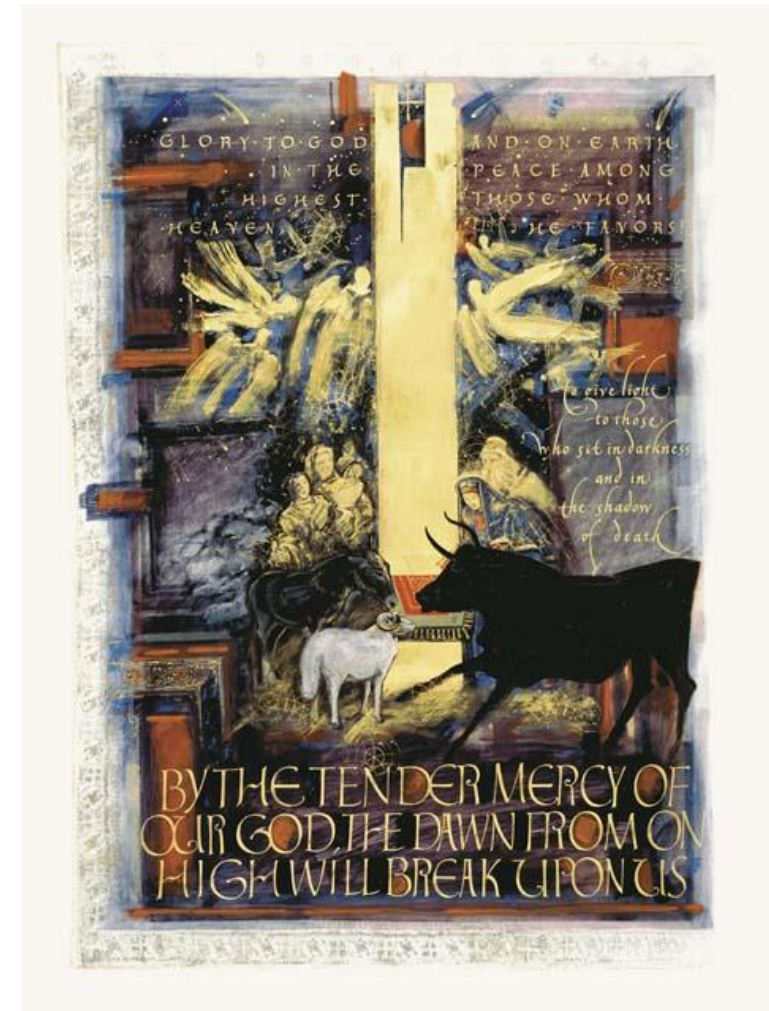
#### CHAIR OF LEADERSHIP TEAM

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February 28, 2016  
Psalm 145:8-21 | Colossians 1:13, 14



Luke Frontispiece – St. John's Bible

### MYSTERY: ALIVE IN CHRIST III - RESCUED

Jesus Christ did not come into this world to make bad people good; he came into this world to make dead people live. – Lee Strobel

WELCOME TO THIS WORSHIP SERVICE OF THE GATHERING CHURCH

Whether you come today as a skeptic, seeker, or believer, our hope is that you will sense the welcome of God, the love of others, and the opportunity to join Jesus Christ in sharing the grace of God with all people.

GATHERING MUSIC – “THE VALLEY MAY BE DARK”

EADER

Adam’s shadow it was casted  
How it covered all the land  
Out from Eden it descended  
Now to land on our guilty hands

Yes it hits the sinner’s heart  
Turns their sorrow into laughter  
And with joy they will dance  
up the mount of the redeemed

The laws of Moses they were roaring  
In the face of sinful man  
The sacrifices they would offer  
Could never meet its great demands

Prophets came and prophets went  
And their message was the same  
A Messiah would soon be coming  
For the wandering souls to save

And that valley may be dark  
Over all the Earth extended  
But the love of God is brighter  
And its hand cannot be bended

One last prophet from the deserts  
To announce the Son of God  
John would baptize with streams of Jordan  
Christ would baptize with streams of light

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HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

RIPPON/TRADITIONAL

How firm a foundation ye saints  
of the Lord, Is laid for your faith  
in His excellent word. What  
more can he say,than to you he  
hath said; To you, who for  
refuge to Jesus have fled?

When through fiery trials thy  
pathway shall lie,  
My grace all-sufficient shall be thy  
supply. The flame shall not hurt  
thee, I only design  
Thy dross to consume, and thy  
gold to refine.

Fear not, I am with thee,  
oh be not dismayed  
For I am thy God,  
and will still give thee aid.  
I strengthen thee, help thee,  
and cause thee to stand,  
Upheld by my righteous,  
omnipotent hand.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned  
for repose, I will not, I will not  
desert to His foes. That soul,  
though all Hell should endeavor to  
shake  
I'll never, no never, no never  
forsake.

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DOXOLOGY

THOMAS/MAINZER

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him all creatures here below  
Praise him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

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JANUARY 2016 BUDGET GOAL	\$19,400
% OF ANNUAL BUDGET	5.0%
JANUARY 2016 ACTUAL GIVING	\$14,510

Thank you for your commitment to supporting the Gathering Church and our mission of experiencing God’s love and expressing it to others.

WORSHIP TEAM

James Wallace - Drums  
Brett Harris – Bass  
James Shoe – Guitar  
Nick Jaeger - Guitar  
Skylar Gudasz - Keyboard

NOTES

COMMUNION
Each Sunday, we remember that we only find life in Jesus, through the love he demonstrated by his death on the cross. So, bringing nothing, we come and receive his grace in the Bread and the Cup that he offers to those who follow him.
<b>PRAYER</b> If you would like to have someone pray for you or for any other need, you will find Prayer Team members at the back of the gym who will gladly pray with you.

WELCOME

PSALM 145:8-21

The LORD is gracious and compassionate,  
slow to anger and rich in love.  
The LORD is good to all;  
he has compassion on all he has made.  
All your works praise you, LORD;  
your faithful people extol you.  
They tell of the glory of your kingdom  
and speak of your might,  
so that all people may know of your mighty acts  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.  
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures through all generations.  
The LORD is trustworthy in all he promises  
and faithful in all he does.  
The LORD upholds all who fall  
and lifts up all who are bowed down.  
The eyes of all look to you,  
and you give them their food at the proper time.  
You open your hand  
and satisfy the desires of every living thing.  
The LORD is righteous in all his ways  
and faithful in all he does.  
The LORD is near to all who call on him,  
to all who call on him in truth.  
He fulfills the desires of those who fear him;  
he hears their cry and saves them.  
The LORD watches over all who love him,  
but all the wicked he will destroy.  
My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD.  
Let every creature praise his holy name  
for ever and ever.

BLESSED BE YOUR NAME	REDMAN
Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful. Where Your streams of abundance flow. Blessed be Your name	Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me. When the world's "all as it should be" Blessed be Your name
And blessed be Your name When I'm found in the desert place Though I walk through the wilderness Blessed be Your name	And blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering Though there's pain in the offering Blessed be Your name
Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise And when the darkness closes in, Lord Still I will say	You give and take away You give and take away My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord.	

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10,000 REASONS	REDMAN, MYRIN
Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul Worship His Holy name Sing like never before O my soul I'll worship Your Holy name	And Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons For my heart to find
The sun comes up It's a new day dawning It's time to sing Your song again Whatever may pass And whatever lies before me Let me be singing When the evening comes	And on that day When my strength is failing The end draws near And my time has come Still my soul will
You're rich in love And You're slow to anger Your name is great	Sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years And then forevermore

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BREATHE ON ME	HATCH/GRAY
Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do, and do what thou wouldst do.	Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine, until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine, glows with thy fire divine.
Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure, until my will is one with thine, to do and to endure, to do and to endure.	Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity, of thine eternity
	Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew.

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DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN/YOUTH AND GREETING ONE ANOTHER
Children and Youth are dismissed to participate in their various classes. As they leave, meet and welcome those around you, especially those you might not know. Feel free to fill in the front and center areas.

COLOSSIANS 1:13 & 14

For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.