

ANNOUNCEMENTS www.allgather.org/calendar

This coming Friday, 8/28, it is The Gathering Church's turn to prepare and serve lunch at the **Interfaith Council Kitchen**. Hours are 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Come for all or part of that time. Contact Sheana Funkhouser: sheana@nc.rr.com, 919.593.0695.

As part of The Gathering Church's new steps to better serve our community, we are happy to announce that we are partnering with **PORCH** (People Offering Relief for Chapel Hill Carrboro Homes), an organization that provides food for local families in need. We are collecting food once a month for these food drives. We are generally looking for non-perishable, boxed and canned foods like soup, pasta, cereal, canned veggies and fruit. If you would like to participate, please bring a bag of food donations to church on the 2nd Sunday of every month and place it on the left hand side bench, just before the greeting table when you come into church. We will collect it and deliver it to PORCH's monthly food drive. Contact Kimberly Steiner: kimberlydsteiner@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.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

July Year-to-Date Financial Update

2015 YTD Giving Goal	\$162,000	44%
2015 YTD Actual	\$150,000	41%
2015 Goal	\$370,000	

CHURCH STAFF

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August 23, 2015

Psalm 96 | Joshua 5:13-15



Joshua Prostrates Himself Before The Angel Sword Bearer – Marc Chagall

PLACE AND POSTURE

“To worship God in truth is to recognize Him for being who He is,
and to recognize ourselves for what we are.”

-Brother Lawrence

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.

WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION

MCCRACKEN

We will feast in the house of Zion	In the dark of night before the dawn
We will sing with our hearts restored	My soul be not afraid
He has done great things	For the promised morning, oh how long
We will say together	○ God of Jacob, be my strength
We will feast and weep no more	
	Every vow we've broken or betrayed
We will not be burned by the fire	You are the faithful one
He is the Lord our God	And from the garden to the grave
We are not consumed by the flood	Bind us together, bring shalom
Upheld, protected, gathered up	

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WELCOME

COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

ROBINSON

Come thou fount of every blessing	Jesus sought me when a stranger
Tune my heart to sing thy grace	Wandering from the fold of God
Streams of mercy never ceasing	He to rescue me from danger
Call for songs of loudest praise	Interposed his precious blood
Teach me some melodious sonnet	
Sung by flaming tongues above	○ to grace how great a debtor
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it	Daily I'm constrained to be
Mount of thy redeeming love	Let thy goodness like a fetter
	Bind my wandering heart to thee
Here I raise my Ebenezer	Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Hiither by thy help I'm come	Prone to leave the God I love
And I hope by thy good pleasure	Here's my heart Lord, take and seal it
Safely to arrive at home	Seal it for thy courts above
	Here's my heart Lord, take and seal it
	Seal it for thy courts above

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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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NOTES

PSALM 96

Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth.
Sing to the LORD, praise his name;
proclaim his salvation day after day.
Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.
For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;
he is to be feared above all gods.
For all the gods of the nations are idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.
Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and glory are in his sanctuary.
Ascribe to the LORD, all you families of nations,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering and come into his courts.
Worship the LORD in the splendor of his^[a] holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth.
Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns."
The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved;
he will judge the peoples with equity.
Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;
let the sea resound, and all that is in it.
Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them;
let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.
Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, for he comes,
he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples in his faithfulness.

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.

PRAYER

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.

GLORY BE TO GOD THE FATHER**BONAR/MUNDELL**

Glory be to God the Father
 Glory be to God the Son
 Glory be to God the Spirit
 Great Jehovah three in one
 Singing glory, glory
 Glory while eternal ages run

Glory to the King of angels
 Glory to the Church's King
 Glory to the King of nations
 Heaven and earth your praises bring
 Singing glory, glory
 Glory to the King of nations bring

Glory be to him who loved us
 Washed us from each spot and stain
 Glory be to him who bought us
 Made us kings with him to reign
 Singing glory, glory
 Glory to the Lamb who once was slain

Glory blessing praise eternal
 Thus the choir of angels sings
 Honor riches power dominion
 Thus its praise creation brings
 Singing glory, glory
 Glory, glory to the King of Kings

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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**HEBER/DYKES**

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty
 Early in the morning
 Our song shall rise to thee
 Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty
 God in three persons, blessed Trinity

Holy, holy, holy, though the darkness hide thee
 Though the eye of sinful man
 Thy glory may not see
 Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee
 Perfect in power, in love and purity

Holy, holy, holy, all the saints adore thee
 Casting down their golden crowns
 Around the glassy sea
 Cherubim and Seraphim
 Falling down before thee
 Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty
 All thy works shall praise thy name
 In earth and sky and sea
 Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty
 God in three persons, blessed Trinity

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BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE**BANKROFT/COOK**

Before the throne of God above
 I have a strong and perfect plea
 A great High Priest whose name is Love
 Who ever lives and pleads for me
 My name is graven on his hands
 My name is written on his heart
 I know that while in heaven he stands
 No tongue can bid me thence depart
 No tongue can bid me thence depart

Because the sinless Savior died
 My sinful soul is counted free
 For God the just is satisfied
 To look on him and pardon me
 To look on him and pardon me

When Satan tempts me to despair
 And tells me of the guilt within
 Upward I look and see him there
 Who made an end of all my sin

Behold him there the risen Lamb
 My perfect spotless righteousness
 The great unchangeable I AM
 The King of glory and of grace
 One with himself I cannot die
 My soul is purchased by his blood
 My life is hid with Christ on high
 With Christ my Savior and my God
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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.

JOSHUA 5:13-15

Now when Joshua was near Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing in front of him with a drawn sword in his hand. Joshua went up to him and asked, "Are you for us or for our enemies?" "Neither," he replied, "but as commander of the army of the LORD I have now come." Then Joshua fell facedown to the ground in reverence, and asked him, "What message does my Lord have for his servant?" The commander of the LORD's army replied, "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy." And Joshua did so.