

#### **REFRESHMENTS**

Enjoy a cup of coffee and a donut on us! Refreshments are available at the Hospitality Center, adjacent the Welcome Center.



## **CONNECTION CARD**

If you're a first-time guest, we would love for you to fill out a connection card. No one is planning to call you or come by your house - that's our "Hassle-Free Guarantee." We just want to send you a letter to thank you for joining us today.



# CHILDREN/YOUTH/CHILDCARE

We promise a clean and safe environment where children can experience the love of Jesus in classes they enjoy. Toddlers (2-5) and Elementary classes meet each week after we worship together as families. Middle School and High School classes meet bi-weekly and also gather after the main worship service.



#### **FAMILY LOUNGE & MOTHER'S ROOM**

Audio and video streaming is available in our Family Lounge for parents with little ones who become fussy or just need to stretch their legs. Our Mother's Room is specifically created for mothers with infants and is accessible through the Family Lounge.



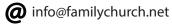
#### **ONLINE MESSAGES**

You can catch up on previous messages at familychurch.net.

#### **GET CONNECTED**



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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **DECEMBER 2017**

NO GROWTH TRACK - Resumes in January

Wednesday, December 6 - Christmas Services Music Rehearsal

Saturday, December 9 – Daniel Boone Christmas Candlelight Tour

Wednesday, December 13 - Final Dress Rehearsal for Christmas Service

Friday, December 15 - CHOSEN Youth Christmas Party (TBA)

# **Sunday, December 17 - Christmas Service**

Wednesday, December 20 - No Service

# Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve "Candlelight" Service

Friday, December 29 - 50 Plus Christmas Party!

Sunday, December 31 - New Year's Service (AM)



#### **GIVE**

Want to join us in our mission of reaching people with the life-giving message of Jesus? Your generosity enables us to help more and more people experience a life-changing relationship with Him. We are truly grateful for your donation and hope the convenience and simplicity of online giving or giving in the service will be helpful to you.

Financial giving can be divided into two categories: tithes and offerings. The Bible teaches us that we worship the Lord with our tithe, which is ten percent of our income contributed to the church on a regular basis. When we feel called to give over and above our tithe, we do so as an offering.



#### **CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

Join us Sunday, December 17th at 10:30 AM for our Christmas Service, and then again on Sunday, December 24th for an intimate candle light service. Both services will be unique and will tell the story of the wondrous, miraculous birth of Jesus, and the HOPE that He brings for all the world, through great music, and encouraging messages! Come early on both Sundays for FREE Christmas treats and a coffee and hot chocolate bar.

# GOD WITH US - WEEK 1 IN THE VALLEY

"Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel, which means 'God is with us." Matthew 1:23 NLT

• WE MAY ENJOY GOD ON THE MOUNTAINTOPS, BUT WE GET TO KNOW HIM INTIMATELY IN THE VALLEYS.

Blessed are those whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on pilgrimage. 6 As they pass through the Valley of Baka, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools. 7 They go from strength to strength, till each appears before God in Zion. Psalm 84:5-7

Blessed are those whose strength is in you ... Psalm 84:5

What joy for those whose strength comes from the LORD, who have set their minds on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Psalm 84:5 NLT

As they pass through the Valley of Baka, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools. Psalm 84:6

Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? 8 If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. 9 If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, 10 even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. Psalm 139:7-10

#### **REFLECT**

On a scale of 1 to 10, how much do you think and live like God is always with you? Explain.

Pastor Lesh talked about how we get to know God in the valleys. What have you learned about God in a valley?

God is with you. How can you draw near to Him during this season?

YOUR NOTES		



## **WELCOME**

We're glad you're here! This Worship Guide will help you learn how to get connected at Family Church and share what is available to you at the service today and through the week. We hope you feel at home and enjoy your time with us.

#### **KNOW GOD**

More than just practicing religion, God wants to have a personal relationship with you. Sunday and Wednesday services are where we help people know God, and we'd love for you to join us again. You can find a list of all the available service times at familychurch.net.

#### **FIND FREEDOM**

God's process for you to experience freedom begins with having the right people in your life. He designed us for community, and connecting in Small Groups is how we find life-changing relationships at Family Church. Connect to Small Groups at familychurch.net

#### **DISCOVER PURPOSE**

You are an important part of God's plan, and your life will never make sense until you discover your purpose. The Family Church Growth Track is made up of four classes designed to help you take next steps in your spiritual journey. Find details for this week's Growth Track event at familychurch.net.

#### **MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

This is God's ultimate plan for your life. When you make a positive impact on other people's lives with the strengths God has given you, it is then that you can experience the full life He wants for you. Through the Dream Team, we hope to connect every person to an opportunity to live their calling by serving others. Learn how you can be a part at familychurch.net.