# **WELCOME!**

We're glad you're joining us this morning! We hope you experience the welcome of the risen Christ as we gather together.

SUNDAY LITURGY

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

WORSHIP IN SONG "Grace Alone"

GOSPEL WELCOME

**BAPTISMS** 

WORSHIP IN SONG "Doxology"

FELLOWSHIP FIVE

Grab refreshments, mingle, and take

children to Summit Kids classes.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

SERMON

"A Gospel-Shaped Church"

Ben Sansburn

SONG OF RESPONSE "Living Hope"

COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

# WHY DO WE DO THAT?

#### **Baptism**

Baptism is one of the two main sacraments in the life of the church (the other is the Lord's Supper). Baptism is both a *sign* that portrays what has happened to a person when they put their faith in Jesus, and a *seal*, or 'means of grace' that the Spirit uses to root a believer in the promises of the gospel.

Baptism beautifully shows us two things: First, the use of water is a visible symbol that God has forgiven us and cleansed us from our sins by the blood of Christ. Second, baptism is a portrait of our union with Christ. When we trust in Jesus, the Scriptures say that we are crucified with him (Gal. 2:20), buried into his death (Col. 2:12), and raised with him to new life (Rom. 6:4). His life, death, and resurrection become ours. Baptism demonstrates to everyone watching the wonder of what God has done.

Through baptism, the entire church is invited to celebrate the gospel and remember God's work in their own lives. Baptism happens to an individual but it's inseparably tied to the church community. This is why we recite the truth of 2 Corinthians 5:17 together as the person baptized comes out of the water: "If anyone is in Christ, the old has gone, the new has come."

#### **NEW HERE?**

We're glad you came and would love the privilege of getting to know you. Stop by our Connect Desk on the way out for a free gift! If you'd like to get connected at Summit, simply fill out a Connect Card and pass it on to a member of our host team.

#### ABOUT US

Summit Christian Fellowship is a gospel-centered church with a vision to know and make known the real Jesus in our church, our city, and around the world. To do that we partner nationally with the Crossway Network (crosswaynetwork.org) and locally with other like-minded churches and ministries. Find more about our vision, values, and beliefs online at www.summit-christian.org

#### SERVE

The church is a family and as a family we share in the responsibility of serving together. If you are interested in serving, please fill out a Connect Card and drop it off with a member of our host team or fill out the serve form on our website!

#### SUMMIT YOUTH

Students in 6th-12th Grade - we meet on Sunday evenings at the Summit Building from 5:00-7:00p on the following dates!

10.05 | Youth Group Gathering

#### YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adults 18-35ish years old - join us on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month starting at 5:30p! Call or text Marissa Swindler at 253.227.2275 or David Swindler at 253.719.9750 for event times and locations!

#### CALENDAR

10.05 | Newcomer Coffee Connect

10.05 | Members Meeting

10.10 | Young Adults Retreat

10.17 | Men's Retreat

#### **NEWS & NOTES**

#### Members Meeting | October 5

We're launching a new rhythm in the life of our church - our very first Quarterly Members Meeting - Sunday, October 5, from 4:00–5:15pm at the Summit building. Come celebrate God's work among us, communicate where we're headed as a church, and commit to prayer together. We'll also create space for dialogue as we seek God's direction as a community. We encourage every member to make this a priority — your presence matters! Childcare will be available.

#### Newcomers Coffee Connect | Oct 5

Join us next Sunday for our Newcomers Coffee Connect on October 5th! This time of coffee and fellowship will begin after Sunday Service at 11:45 in the Library! Our hope is to create a relaxed environment that gives those newer to the church a chance to meet the Summit Leadership, hear the story of our church, and learn what we are about at Summit.

#### Men's Retreat | October 17-18

Men's Retreat is on October 17th at Lake Retreat Camp! We will be talking about being men who rejoice in the gospel so they can be men who run after righteousness. This is a great opportunity to get to know other men here at Summit and enjoy a time of rest and renewal around God's Word. Register through our church website or via the Church Center App!

## Women's Ministry | 4x4 Groups

Summit Women - We are excited to announce our 4 x 4 Groups - where four women commit to meeting four times as they read through the book *I Surrender All* by Priscilla Shrier. Register through our website or via the Church Center App!

### Community Groups | This Fall

Community groups are central to the rhythms of our life together at Summit. They are the primary way we live together as the church outside the walls of our building during the week. Prayerfully consider getting connected to a group! You can either fill out a connect card or visit our website: summit-christian.org/community-groups



# SERMON NOTES

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