

**SUNDAY SCHOOL / ALDI
10:00 TO 11:00 A.M.**

Sunday School Room Locations

*Infant Nursery – Room 105

*Young Toddler Nursery – Room 106

*Available during all services.

Children's Classes

Ages 2 and 3 – Room 107

Pre-K & Kindergarten – Room 142

1st to 3rd Grade – Room 144

4th Grade – Room 141

5th Grade – Room 143

Special Needs – Room 145

Youth Classes

Middle School (6th - 8th grades) – Room 146

High School (9th - 12th grades) – Youth Room

Adult Classes

College and Career

Dave Kohler – Room 7

ALL OF LIFE DISCIPLESHIP INSTITUTE

New Testament – Part 1

Room 44 – Dan Waterman

Marriage

Room 2 – Jonathan King

Financial Peace University

Room 1 – Duane Peoples

Revelation – Part 2

Fellowship Hall – John Colabroy

Overview of the Reformation

Room 41/43 – Glenn Felty/Ricky Whitmire

Gospel Forgiveness and

Gospel Freedom

Chapel – Cliff Boone

**DO YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE
ABOUT CHRIST?**

If you would like to know more about trusting in Christ, fill out a "Plug Into Cedar Crest" card located in the rack on the back of the pew and hand it to the attendant at the Welcome Center.

PLUG INTO CEDAR CREST – In the card rack on the back of the pews you will find an information card titled "Plug Into Cedar Crest." Its purpose is to gather information from guests, attendees and church members who are interested in knowing more about the ministry here at Cedar Crest.



CHURCH PLANTING APPLICATIONS

Our planting plans are underway! Our new daughter church – **Orchard Hills Church** – is preparing to launch next fall in the Fogelsville area. Our next step is to assemble the Core Team of leaders who will be sent out to start the new church. If you believe God might be calling you to help impact this community with the gospel and you would like to learn more, visit: www.orchardhills.church or email Pastor Ben at ben@orchardhills.church. Applications are also available on the table in the Narthex.

BLAST OFF COORDINATOR POSITION

Blast Off is the 11:15 am kids worship program for Pre-K and Kindergarten. Brianna Parsons' transition to Children's Ministry Director creates an opening for a new part-time Blast Off Coordinator. Interested candidates can contact bjtriestman@cedarcrestbfc.org.

APP FOR CROSSROADS

If you would like to download the App to your phone, it may be found in the App Store. Search for LEAD.

COMING IN JANUARY!

...A new First Place 4 Health 12-week class. Watch for details!

**CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS
AT PINEBROOK**

"Coming Home" – December 9

Looking to get together with people you have met at Pinebrook? "Coming Home" to Pinebrook and leave the cooking and entertainment to us! Cost is \$25 per person or reserve a table and save \$175 per table of eight. Call 800-806-5501 or www.pinebrook.org. **Bruce Heffner** will lead us in this celebration with a Candelight Christmas Carol sing and perform some great Christmas song. **Piercing Word** will be performing their Grace Family Christmas presentation.

**WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR
DECEMBER 24 AND 31**

There will be one morning worship service on Sunday, December 24 and Sunday, December 31 at 10:00 a.m. Nursery will be provided. There will be no Skyrocket either Sunday; Blast-Off will meet.

**SEASONED CITIZENS CHRISTMAS
DINNER AND CAROL SING**

On Thursday, December 14, our Seasoned Citizens will enjoy a delicious dinner together and then will be led in a joyous Christmas Carol Celebration by Shirley Felty. If you are attending and have a favorite Christmas song you would like included in the program, contact Shirley as soon as possible with the title. Join us for a great time of Food, Fellowship, and Festivity at 12 noon in the Chapel. The sign-up sheet is located on the literature table in the foyer. Sign up today!

**CHRISTMAS EVE
FAMILY CAROL SING
AND CANDELIGHT
SERVICE**

Join us for a Christmas Eve Family Carol Sing and Candelight Service at 7 p.m. in the Worship Center. There will be no nursery available that evening; however, all children are welcome in the service.



**MACUNGIE BAND HOLIDAY CONCERT
DECEMBER 17 AT 3:00 P.M.**

The Macungie Band will present its annual Holiday Concert here at CCBFC on December 17 at 3:00 p.m. Join us for an afternoon of festive holiday music. A freewill donation will be received at the door. Contact Paul Bickel for more information.

CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Story of Christmas will be presented by our Choir, Soloists, and narrators (one night only) on Saturday, December 23 at 7:00 p.m. The event is free. Invite friends, relatives, and neighbors.



**CEDAR CREST
Bible Fellowship Church**



DECEMBER 3, 2017

1151 South Cedar Crest Blvd., Allentown, PA 18103
610-432-2200 Email: info@cedarcrestbfc.org www.CedarCrestBFC.org

Worship in Song*

Tim Schaeffer, Worship Leader – 8:30 am
Luke Walters, Worship Leader – 11:15 am

Prayer

Pastor Chris Von Holt

Offering

Announcements

Pastor Jon King

Sermon

Bless the Lord, O my soul! – Psalm 103

Pastor Cliff Boone

Communion

Benevolence Offering

Benediction

*Note: There may be an extended time of standing during the "Worship in Song" portion of the service. Please do not hesitate to sit down if you feel the need to do so.

Our Worship Services:

Heritage Service (8:30 a.m.) – blends hymns and praise songs. This service is led by a worship leader and choir, and accompanied by organ, piano and occasional orchestra.

Celebration Service (11:15 a.m.) – features current worship songs and contemporary hymns. This service is led by a worship team and accompanied by a worship band.

Parents: There are **Kid's Worship** programs during the 11:15 Worship Service for Preschool through 5th graders! Check-in for these programs is at the Kid's Welcome Kiosk outside of Room 108. **Nursery** is available for children up to age 3 during all services in rooms #105 - 107. A special room for **Nursing Mothers** is located across from the restrooms of the Worship Center. If you have a **restless child**, please take your child to the foyer or hallway where you will still be able to hear the service. We also provide a quality nursery and would be happy to care for your child while you worship. Program for children with **Special Needs** is in room 145.

Cliff Boone
Senior Pastor

Jon King
Executive Pastor

Adam Crain
Assistant Pastor – Congregational Care/LIFEgroups

Glenn Felty
Associate Pastor – Missions/Leadership Development

John LoRusso
Associate Pastor – Church Planting/Local Outreach

Tim Schaeffer
Director of Worship & Music Ministries

Ben Triestman
Assistant Pastor – Children's Ministries

Chris Von Holt
Assistant Pastor – Youth Ministries

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK:

Nelson & Robyn Randolph

THE LATEST MISSIONARY LETTER from Jason & Brienne Raines is available in the Hall of Missions.

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK:

Katherine Reiss

COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK:

Stephen Gahman

THE FLOWERS ON THE ORGAN are to celebrate the official Sunday of Ron Becker's 60th year as a church organist given by his wife, Sharon, of 54 of those years.

SUGGESTIONS FOR ELDER OR DEACON

The Nominating Committee is presently receiving suggestions of men to possibly be considered for service as an Elder or Deacon. Instructions as the procedure for making suggestions are available on the literature table. Today is the deadline to submit names.

**LAUNCHPAD CHILDREN'S
MINISTRY CORNER**
KID'S WORSHIP – 11:15 a.m.
BLAST-OFF! Kids Worship (PK and K) meet in Room 102.
SKYROCKET Kids Worship (1st-5th) meet in the Activity Center.



POINSETTIAS are being ordered to beautify our Worship Center this Christmas on Sunday, December 17th and 24th. If you would like to purchase a plant (8" size pot) to be picked up on December 24th, you can order it from the FORM on CROSSROADS or the order form on the literature table in the narthex. Cost is \$12 for either Red or Red/White/Pink flowers.

CHRISTMAS BREADS NEEDED FOR FOOD BANK FAMILIES

We are in need of donations of homemade bread to place in food boxes that we will distribute to families from our food bank on December 7 and 21. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex, or call Pam Shuey. There are also sign-up sheets available in the ALDI classes.

BFC FELLOWSHIP NEWS

...for December is available on the literature table.

UPCOMING PRAYER EVENTS

Prayer for Church Planting December 17 at 10 am
Join us in the Chapel for a time of worship-based prayer, as we commit our church planting efforts to the Lord. All are welcome!
New Year's Eve Prayer Service December 31 at 7 pm
As we look ahead to the start of another year, we will gather together in the Chapel for a time of worship through prayer and song.

WORSHIP CENTER UPGRADES

The Lord has already provided over \$200,000 in commitments from 60 plus people toward our goal of \$913,000. We continue to pray that God will provide the remaining funds through his people. Please prayerfully consider committing to give toward the Worship Center Upgrades. Commitment cards are located on the information table in the Narthex. You may either place the card in the offering plate or in the box located on the information table. Please return your card as soon as possible. Thank you.

ESL OPPORTUNITY (English as a Second Language)

Do you want to reach the world for Christ? Start right here at Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church helping international students in our ESL classes. The main requirements are kindness, patience, and competency in English. Please call Paul Younger if you want to join us or have any questions.

INTERESTED IN "BUSINESS AS MISSION"

A unique opportunity has come up for an informative trip to North Africa by Africa Inland Mission (March 23 to April 1, 2018) that gives a first-hand view of how the Lord could use you in such a ministry overseas. This trip is filling up fast. If interested, contact Pastor John ASAP.

YOUTH BLOCK
Tonight
Youth Group – 5:30 p.m.
Friday, December 15
Christmas Party – 5 p.m. to midnight
Meet in Activity Center at 5:00 p.m. for pizza before departing to separate events.
New to the Church?
If you are new to youth group and not receiving a newsletter, please contact Chris VonHolt so he can add you to the list -
cmvonholt@cedarcrestbfc.org.
Youth Web Page
<http://www.cedarcrestbfc.org/youth>

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES
TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY
Ladies Bible Study will resume on January 2, 2018.
WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY
Meets weekly from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in Room 44. Nancy LoRusso facilitates a study of "The Promised One: Seeing Jesus in Genesis" by Nancy Guthrie.

CASES FOR SMILES
"Helping Kids Feel Better"
The last date in 2017 to sew pillow cases is Thursday, December 7 (note date change). Call Phyllis Beahm.

CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP
"White as Snow"
The holidays are just around the corner and so is our Christmas fellowship. Please mark your calendar and save December 9th for "White as Snow" to be held in the Chapel from 9-11 am. You may sign up in person today. Please join us for a fun morning celebrating the birth of our Lord and the redemption we have in his blood
2018 WOMEN'S RETREAT
Gift Cards for the Women's Retreat will be on sale today and December 10 and 17 in the Missions Hallway after both services.

BABY DEDICATION ON JANUARY 21
Baby dedications will take place on Sunday, January 21, 2018 during the morning services. Those desiring to participate may register by picking up a registration form at the Welcome Center or going on-line in Crossroads. If you have any questions, call the church office at 610-432-2200.

SIGHT AND SOUND'S "JESUS"
A day trip to Sight and Sound will be held on April 4 to see the premier production of "Jesus." We will depart via Bieber Bus for the 11:00 am show and afterwards eat at Shady Maple Restaurant. The cost for the show, lunch, and bus is \$95. Seating is limited. Checks payable to Cedar Crest will reserve your seat. Contact the church office with questions.

FINANCIAL FACTS	
Financial Report as of November 30	
Operating	
Budget	\$1,702,642
Receipts	1,636,953
Disbursements	1,584,376
Faith Commitment	
Budget	\$110,000
Receipts	123,730
Disbursements	119,350
Vision 2020	
Goal	\$1,750,000
Receipts	\$570,558
Disbursements	\$13,138

WEEKLY CALENDAR	
TODAY	Communion
* 8:30 a.m.	Heritage Service Sermon – Cliff Boone
* 10:00 a.m.	ALDI and Sunday School
10:00 a.m.	Oasis Prayer – Conference Room
11:15 a.m.	Blast-Off (PK-K) – Room 102 SKYROCKET (Grades 1-5) – A..C.
* 11:15 a.m.	Celebration Service
5:30 p.m.	Youth Group
MONDAY	
6:00 p.m.	Parents of Adult Children Prayer Meeting – Library
6:30 p.m.	Women's Aerobics – Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	Adult Volleyball – Activity Center
7:00 p.m.	Women's Stretching – Nursery
7:00 p.m.	Christmas Musical Rehearsal – Worship Center
TUESDAY	
10:00 a.m.	Quilters – Library
4:30 p.m.	Administrative Committee – Conf. Rm.
7:00 p.m.	Adult Basketball – Activity Center
7:00 p.m.	Steering Committee – Conf. Room
WEDNESDAY	
* 7:00 p.m.	Wednesday Night Clubs – Pioneer Clubs, Girls Quest, Christian Service Brigade
7:00 p.m.	Men's Fraternity
7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study – Room 44
THURSDAY	
7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal – Chapel
7:00 p.m.	Christian Karate – Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m.	CCBFC Homeschool Support Group – Room 101
SATURDAY	
9:00 a.m.	Women's Christmas Fellowship – Chapel
NEXT SUNDAY – Baptism	
* 8:30 a.m.	Heritage Service Sermon – Cliff Boone
*10:00 a.m.	ALDI and Sunday School <i>Note:</i> Blood Pressure Screening after both services – Overflow B
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*11:15 a.m.	Celebration Service
5:30 p.m.	Youth Group LIFEgroups Weekend

*Nursery available