

Coryell Community Church

Volunteer Handbook

Welcome!

We're excited to have you join our team! This handbook is designed with our volunteers in mind, to equip and empower each of you for effective ministry with CCC. Thank you for your willingness to serve!

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. (1 Peter 4:10)

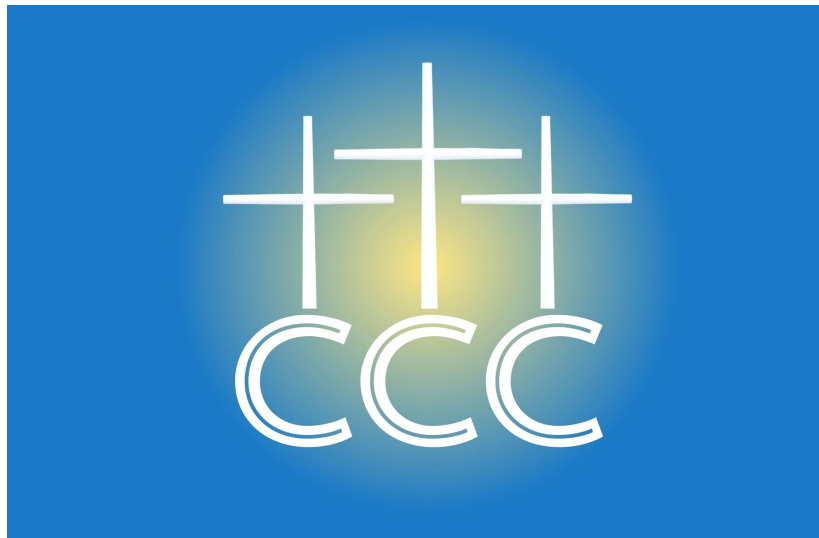


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Our Mission & Vision

Knowing that we are people who have been loved by God and in return are now called to love God and our neighbors, Coryell Community Church exists to share the love of Jesus Christ, lead others to personally walk with Christ, and equip them to do the work of the ministry. We believe we can do this best when we join together and take direction from Scripture.

When Jesus founded His Church, He did so with the radical idea that every ordinary person could contribute something extraordinary. Jesus said the greatest command was to love the Lord your God with all your heart and to love your neighbor as yourself. But to do so, we must first understand what gets in the way of this and how through Him this is possible. We believe...

- **We are all sinners**

For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. – Romans 3:23

- **We have a Savior**

But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. – Romans 5:8

- **God gives us the Holy Spirit**

When the Father sends the Advocate as my representative (that is, the Holy Spirit) he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you. – John 14:26

- **He invites us to follow Him**

Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. Behold I am with you always, even to the end of the age. – Matthew 28:19–20

What We Believe

God as Trinity

We believe in one God, who exists eternally as God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, known as the Trinity. (Genesis 1:26; Matthew 3:13-17; Mark 1:9-11; Luke 3:21-22)

God the Father

We believe that God the Father created the universe and created us in His image. Genesis 1:26 says "...Let us make man in our image, in our likeness..." The Hebrew pronouns are plural which signifies the triune Godhead. He continues to sustain all things, is sovereign in all things, and perfectly holy and loving. He is provider and disciplinarian to His people. (Matthew 6:30-32; John 1:1-5; 14:8-11; Ephesians 1:3-6; Colossians 1:16)

God the Son

We believe that the Son, Jesus Christ, was born of a virgin, and while on earth was fully human and fully God. This is traditionally referred to as the incarnation. Jesus was sent to redeem us through His death on the cross and was physically resurrected three days later. He is Intercessor and Advocate for all believers. (John 1:1-2, 14; Romans 3:23-26, 4:25; Galatians 3:26, 4:4-5)

God the Holy Spirit

We believe the Holy Spirit lives within Christians to be with us "forever", distributes spiritual gifts to each believer, and empowers us in using these gifts according to God's plan. He is the Spirit of Truth and convicts men of sin, righteousness, and judgement. (John 3:8, 14:16-17, 16:7-8; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; Titus 3:4-7)

God's Word

We believe the Bible is the inspired Word of God and is the highest and final authority on what we should believe and how we should live our lives. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Resurrection

Jesus Christ died on the cross and was physically resurrected three days later. When he returns, both believers and non-believers will be resurrected. Believers

will join Him in Heaven, while non-believers will receive eternal punishment. (John 3:36)

Savior

We believe that man “fell” into sin and in order to be saved, we must trust in the Lord Jesus Christ as our Personal Savior. (John 14:6)

New Life

We believe that, as an expression of faith, the Bible instructs us to...

- *Repent of our sins.* This expression of faith is followed by water baptism to demonstrate our union with Him in His death, burial, resurrection. (Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38; Acts 17:30; Romans 6:3-5)
- *Seek to live a holy life.* "Whoever claims to live in Him must walk as Jesus did." Without holiness no one will see the Lord. While we cannot be perfect, we must grow and mature in our walk with God, through Christ our Lord. (1 John 2:6)

Peace with God

We believe that those who have accepted Jesus Christ are living the "eternal life". We are called to live life in the security of the love of God, not in continual fear of judgment. (1 John 1:2, 1 John 3:1-3)

Ministries & Teams

Remember the radical idea Jesus had that every ordinary person could contribute something extraordinary? The Holy Spirit gives every follower of Christ spiritual gifts with which to serve others.

For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them. - Romans 12:4-6a

We believe God has a place in ministry for every member to use the gifts they have received from the Holy Spirit.

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. - 1 Corinthians 12:4-7

Below are some of the various Ministries and Teams within CCC.

<u>Breakfast Bar</u>	<u>C3 Student Ministry</u>	<u>Children's Ministry</u>
Helps everyone who steps through the doors of CCC feel at home with tangible expressions of love such as food and drinks.	Exists to lead students in grades 6-12 to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.	Meeting each child at their level to show God's love and help them to grow spiritually. ● JungleLand (birth to Pre-K) ● KidStreet (K - 5th grade) ● Kaleidoscope (special needs)

<u>Facilities</u> Maintains the physical church grounds and buildings to facilitate ministry and create the best atmosphere for everyone who visits.	<u>First Impressions</u> Creates a welcoming and inclusive atmosphere for everyone who attends our worship experiences.	<u>Growth Track Leadership</u> Hosts a conversation to help others know, discover, and connect to their place at CCC.
<u>Info Central</u> Welcomes first time visitors with a gift, directions, and information, along with providing information to regular attenders and church members regarding events, fundraisers, etc.	<u>Life Group Leadership</u> - Life Group Leader: Facilitate conversations that lead to spiritual growth. - Life Group Host: Provides a comfortable, inviting atmosphere for group meetings.	<u>Local & Global Outreach</u> Reaches outside the walls of the church to show the love of Jesus Christ to everyone and further God's kingdom.
<u>Men's & Women's Ministries</u> Ministries where men and women can grow closer to one another in fellowship, stronger through accountability, and grow as mature followers of Christ.	<u>Prayer</u> - Sunday Prayer Team: Offers prayer and support after each service on Sundays. - Ongoing Prayer Team: Prays for the needs of others and the church as she seeks to accomplish her mission.	<u>Production</u> Exists to prepare, operate, maintain, support, and seamlessly integrate the technologies of audio, lighting, video, and graphical presentation to support all ministries.

<u>Safety and Security</u>	<u>Worship</u>	
Ensures that all ministries happen in an environment that is both inviting and safe.	Serves to create an environment that inspires the church through worship arts to celebrate God's glory, encounter His love, and surrender to His purposes.	

The Church App

We want to equip you with the ability to view and take control of your volunteer schedule and communicate with your team and team lead. The main way we do this is through our church app.

- **Downloading the App:** The Church App is a regular app that you can download from the App Store and Google Play. To download, just search "The Church App" in the app stores or for CCC specific app search "Coryell Community Church". *When you first download The Church App you will be prompted to enable location or skip and manually search for your church. You are welcome to skip but enabling location does allow you to see church apps near to you.*
- **Accepting and Declining Roster Requests:** Volunteers can either accept or deny by opening the request from a push notification or viewing their schedule in the Personalized Account Menu. *To access the Personalized Account Menu, just click the Avatar in the top right-hand corner of your app. This is where you can manage unavailable dates and accept or decline requests.*

Requirements to Serve

1. Attended Growth Track and have been an active member of CCC for at least 6 months.
2. Demonstrate a desire to support CCC's mission by using your spiritual gifts to serve others.
3. Communicate clearly and well with your team leader regarding general interest, availability, and best fit in the ministry.
4. Be teachable.
5. Attend training/meetings.
6. Consent to a background check.

Volunteer Honor Code

There are certain attitudes and behaviors that hinder the mission of the church to grow in community while sharing the love of Jesus Christ. To help others get a picture of Jesus and His love, we ask that all members of our Volunteer Teams to strive towards the following ideals:

- Refrain from gossip, slander, and using words to tear others down (Ephesians 4:29)
- Attend Sunday services as often as possible, even when not scheduled to serve (Hebrews 10:25)
- Have an attitude of humility, selflessness, and forgiveness – just like Jesus (Philippians 2:5)
- Offer and listen to critique in a spirit of love and cooperation (Proverbs 12:1, Proverbs 9:9)
- Embrace every individual as someone God created in His image and died for (Galatians 3:28)

Signature of Agreement

- ☐ I have read and agree that I meet the **Requirements to Serve**.
- ☐ I read and agree to strive toward the ideals listed in the **Volunteer Honor Code**.
- ☐ I agree to allow Coryell Community Church to run a background check before I serve in the church and as often as necessary while I am serving in order to keep church records up to date.

For those in high risk areas (Leadership roles & those working directly with minors):

- ☐ I have received a copy of the **Child Protection Guidelines**.
- ☐ I agree to complete the online Child Safety Training annually.

Sign & Date
