

Cypress Creek Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

Putting Love First In All Things

Helping Individuals and Families Learn The Love First Life

Celebrating Where We've Been & Preparing For Where We Are Going



Note From Jeff

CCCC's 2025 Board Chair

As we approach the end of 2025, I realize how blessed we have been with our existing faithful members, our new members, families, and children. Every Sunday I look forward to walking into Holy Grounds to see familiar faces and often some new ones. We have worked diligently this year to make a space of welcome and openness for all. And we continue to improve the facilities, so they are more inviting. There will be more to come shortly.

We are looking forward to 2026 under the guidance of a new Board Chair. We will continue to enhance the mission and outreach programs like Sleep in Heavenly Peace, the Hope Center, Boys & Girls Country, and Northwest Assistance Ministries.

We have our challenges too, like the rising cost of insurance for the campus. Yet God is always good and finds a way for us through these valleys.

As Pastor Bruce leads us into 2026 with the help of the Holy Spirit, I'm expecting great things.

As always, the Board looks forward to your input and feedback.

Jeff Charlesworth
CCCC Board Chair

The church is so friendly and welcoming. We love it here.

~Ruby Mann
12-year-old
Visitor

Cypress Creek is a unique place, a bastion of welcome and love for all in a sea of exclusion...

~Ted Jordan
Church Member



Because GOD first loved us all.
1st John 4:19

A NOTE FROM PASTOR BRUCE

Let me begin by expressing my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you who takes the financial support of the church’s budget very seriously. Every year, there is a lot of prayer, numerous questions, and a hint of anxiety in the budget process. I wish I could tell you all that I firmly and fearlessly believe that God will take care of everything. Actually, I do believe that God will take care of us because the love that God has for us is a love that is unconditional and eternal. At the same time, God is not a money machine, and faith and mission require a YES from people. Donna and I join our YES with your YES, doing so with incredible excitement for this coming year.

In the worship series this October, we have focused on our Core Values, though each week, I have added a little edge to it as we look to 2026.

- Fellowship:** We are going to continue to grow larger by growing smaller, because people matter.
- Hospitality:** We are called to be tour guides in an often inhospitable world.
- Service:** We are committed to creating spaces where people’s stories are told, where empathy grows, and the church embodies Christ’s call to humble service.
- Discipleship:** We are choosing to be disciples because that is how God makes disciples.
- Worship:** We want worship to be an unobstructed entry point into an experience of God and the immeasurable love God made real in Jesus.



In 2026, we will base our priorities around these five developing values, recognizing our passion for continual growth (Fellowship) is rooted in the other four values. And of course, there was the big news I shared on October 19—we have a family committed to covering the cost of a full-time ordained minister who will give guidance to family ministry, but focus on youth. This is essential as we continue to strive toward the high ideal of *Putting Love First In All Things*, while also assisting individuals and families as they learn to *Put Love First*.

This church is different in the best way possible. I thank God that it exists.
~Anonymous Visitor

CURRENT FINANCES
End of October 2025

INCOME	\$613,060.00
EXPENSES	\$622,431.00

In 2026, we are looking for an 8% Increase In Giving

Some in our community can do 2%, while others can do 15%

	2025	2026
INCOME		
Contributions	\$625,200.00	\$725,000.00
Community Center	\$111,300.00	\$118,000.00
Other Income	\$103,500.00	\$90,000.00
TOTAL	\$840,000.00	\$908,000.00
EXPENSES		
Outreach	\$22,500.00	\$23,500.00
Departements	\$54,650.00	\$60,000.00
Maintenance	\$62,100.00	\$65,000.00
Utilities	\$86,900.00	\$83,000.00
Insurance	\$121,500.00	\$100,000.00
Minister/Worship Salaries	\$351,619.00	\$415,000.00
Admin Staff	\$67,133.00	\$68,000.00
Payroll Taxes	\$20,000.00	\$19,500.00
Pension	\$13,250.00	\$13,600.00
Convention	\$5,000.00	\$5,500.00
Ministers Housing	\$37,400.00	\$37,400.00
Administration	\$18,400.00	\$19,000.00
TOTAL	\$860,452.00	\$909,500.00

(These numbers are still in process as we wait for a 2026 property insurance, the new electricity contract, and a couple of other small items).