



## Suffering and the Power of Prayer

*James 5:13-18*

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### How to Respond to Suffering

- Pray (5:13a)
- Praise (5:13b)
- Call for the elders to pray (5:14-15)
- Pray for one another (5:16a)

### Why We Should Respond to Suffering This Way

- Because prayer is powerful! (5:16b-18)



# Welcome to Cross Fellowship Church!

We are grateful that you have come to worship with us today and pray you feel welcome. If you have any questions about our church, the service, the sermon, or anything else, we would love to talk to you! Stop by the Welcome Table in the lobby or talk to one of the elders. We also encourage you to complete a Visitor Information Card at the Welcome Table or online at [crossfellowshipchurch.org/connect](http://crossfellowshipchurch.org/connect).

## Order of Service

**Call to Worship:** Psalm 66:1-4

“Psalm 34 (Taste and See)”

“It Is Well With My Soul”

**Scripture Reading:** Romans 1:18-25; Hebrews 10:11-14

“Jesus, Thank You”

Introduction of New Members

**Prayer**

**Sermon:** James 5:13-18

“Lord, I Need You”

**Partaking of the Lord’s Supper**

**Prayer and Benediction**

## Announcements

### Church Picnic

*Sunday, Sept. 24 / 12-3 p.m. / Franklin Park Pavilion*

Make plans to join us for our last church picnic this year! The church will provide the main dish and drinks. DC groups are assigned sides, drinks, and desserts. Check with your DC leader about what to bring. Please also bring lawn/outdoor games to play.

### Exploring Membership Class

*Sundays, Oct. 1 and 8 / 12-2:30 p.m. / Social Room (rm. 201)*

Are you interested in membership at CFC, or would you simply like to learn more about our church? Join us for this two-part class. Lunch will be provided. Sign up at [crossfellowshipchurch.org/membership](http://crossfellowshipchurch.org/membership).

### Prayer Gathering

*Sunday, Oct. 10 / 4-5:30 p.m. / New Haven*

Join us for our church-wide Prayer Gathering. During our time together, we’ll pray for one another and our church, and hear specific testimonies of how God is at work in the lives of some of our members.

### Elders

- John Crawford / [john.crawford@crossfellowshipchurch.org](mailto:john.crawford@crossfellowshipchurch.org)
- Jared Chasteen / [jared.chasteen@crossfellowshipchurch.org](mailto:jared.chasteen@crossfellowshipchurch.org)

### Discipleship Communities

DCs gather in homes on Wednesday evenings to provide leadership, community, encouragement, and accountability as we live as disciples. For more information or to join a DC, visit [crossfellowshipchurch.org/dc](http://crossfellowshipchurch.org/dc).

### Nursing Mothers

We offer a nursing mothers’ room in the back left (as you face the stage) of the sanctuary.

### Children’s Discipleship

To walk alongside parents in teaching children about the good news of Jesus, we offer the following classes.

*Sundays at 9 a.m.*

- K-3rd grade: rm. 202
- 4th-6th grade: rm. 206

*Sundays during the Worship Gathering*

- Infants (ages 6-12 mo.)
- Toddlers (ages 1-2): rm. 206
- Pre-K (ages 3-4): rm. 202

*Sundays at 6 p.m.*

- Youth group: 7th-12th grade

### Offering

Thank you for your generosity! There are a few ways you can give:

- In the offering box on Sundays
- Through the Church Center app (iPhone/Android)
- Online at [crossfellowshipchurch.org/give](http://crossfellowshipchurch.org/give) (scan the QR code)

*\*Please refrain from eating and drinking in the sanctuary. Thank you!*

