

STAY CONNECTED AT CCC...

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP, TONIGHT

6th-8th graders, join us for fellowship and study tonight at the DeMars' from 6:00 to 7:30. Bring your Bible and see the SignUp Genius to bring a snack to share!

PARENTS SEMINAR, JANUARY 13

Parents of 9th-12th graders, join us for a parents seminar at the **Starts' house from 7 to 9 PM on January 13th**. We will discuss the upcoming high school series on sexuality and have a time for Q&A. Please email Matt to **RSVP by 1/12** and see the SignUp Genius in the Weekly Update if you'd like to bring a dessert or hors d'oeuvre to share.

JANUARY LEADERSHIP MEETINGS

Pray for the deacons and elders as they meet on **Sunday, 1/15**, to pray and seek the Holy Spirit's guidance in serving our church.

BAPTISM ANNOUNCEMENT

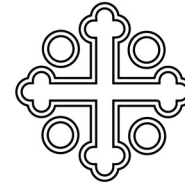
Harrison Rein Rooks will be baptized on **January 15th**. Be on the lookout for a baptismal letter next week!

HIGH SCHOOL WINTER RETREAT, FEBRUARY 24-26

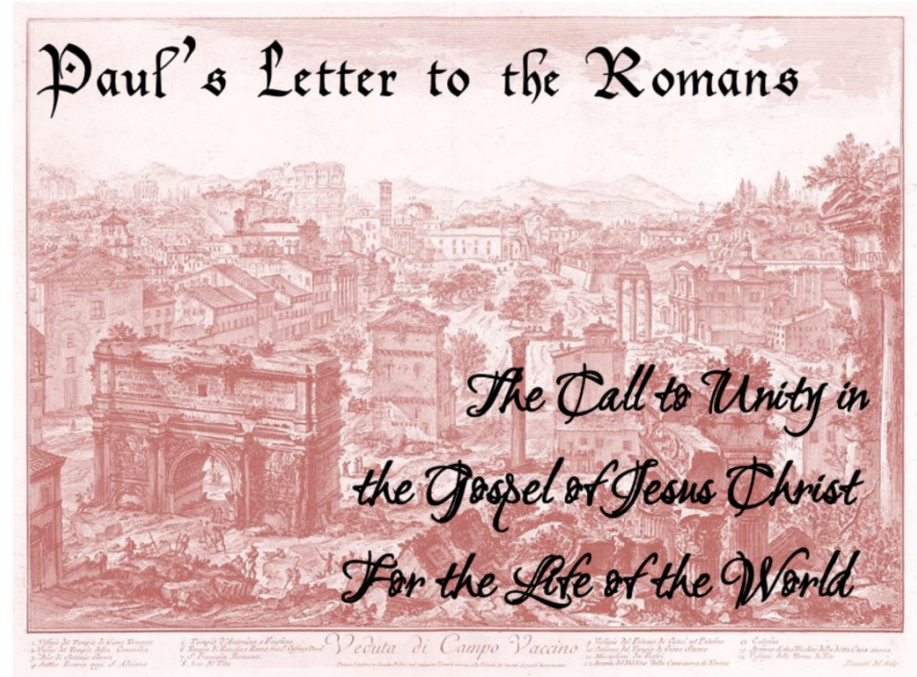
9th-12th graders, join us for our winter retreat on February 24th - 26th at Shocco Springs. The cost is \$80, plus an additional \$20 if playing paintball. See the weekly update for links to register. The registration deadline is February 10th. See Matt if you have any questions!

PERMANENT FACILITY FUND UPDATE

As of January 1, we have \$208,280 in this fund. If you would like to contribute, please mark your gift "Permanent Facility Fund." Thank you for helping us surpass the \$200K mark!



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Giovanni Battista Piranesi's Veduta di Campo Vaccino, 1775

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OUR VISION:

TO SEE THE GOSPEL CHANGE HEARTS, LIVES, AND COMMUNITY
BY MULTIPLYING DISCIPLES IN NORTHWEST ATLANTA AND BEYOND
CHANGED HEARTS, CHANGED LIVES, CHANGED COMMUNITY

OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION

JANUARY 8, 2023

Prelude

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

Welcome

***Call to Worship - Psalm 1**

~God's invitation for us to engage in worship in the Holy Spirit

***Weekly Congregational Response**

~Our humble response to God's call to worship

***Prayer of Invocation**

~The giving of thanks for God's promised presence and work among us

Song of Preparation and Praise - Psalm 27 (One Thing)

~Our celebration of God as our good and faithful Abba Father

***Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - Romans 11:28-32**

~Our admission of our failures and need for Christ as Savior

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

***Songs of Comfort - Upon a Life I Did Not Live How Deep the Father's Love for Us**

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

Pastoral Prayer - The Larsens, NEXT and Andrew Hendley, King's Chapel, Carrollton

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

Sermon - The Transformed Christian Life Romans 12:1-2

Preparation of the Table Partaking of the Table

~Practiced on a regular basis to make the Word visible.

***Doxology**

***Song of Response - Holy Communion**

~Our commitment to apply God's Word in and through our lives

***Announcements**

~Weekly opportunities to live out the Word read, confessed, prayed, sung, and preached

***Benediction - Romans 12:9-13**

~God's parting blessing as we are sent out on His redemptive mission

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

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“THE TRANSFORMED CHRISTIAN LIFE”

ROMANS 12:1-2

ROBBY BAXTER

Key Truth: God calls us to inhabit the new life we have in Christ Jesus by continually and worshipfully presenting our bodies and minds to Him to be transformed according to His will.

Introduction:

Q: “The question for the Roman Christians, and for us, is the following: *What does it mean, on the ground, to be a community that participates in the life of the Father, Son, and Spirit?*”
Michael J. Gorman, *Romans: A Theological & Pastoral Commentary*

Romans 12:1-2: Present Yourself to God as a Living Sacrifice

“We human beings seem to be imitative by nature. We need a model to copy, and ultimately there are only two. There is *this world*, literally ‘this age,’ which is passing away, and there is *God's will*, which is good, pleasing and perfect... These two value systems (*this world* and *God's will*) are incompatible, even in direct collision with one another. Whether we are thinking about the purpose of life or the meaning of life, about how to measure greatness or how to respond to evil, about ambition, sex, honesty, money, community, religion or anything else, the two sets of standards diverge so completely that there is no possibility of compromise. No wonder Karl Barth called Christian ethics ‘the great disturbance,’ so violently does it challenge, interrupt and upset the tranquil *status quo*.”
John Stott, *The Message of Romans*

Application:

Romans 12:1-2 teaches us that:

- God calls us to inhabit the new life we have in Christ Jesus by continually and worshipfully presenting our bodies and minds to Him to be transformed according to His will.

Benediction: *Romans 12:9-13*