

STAY *Connected* AT CCC

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP, NOVEMBER 12

9th-12th graders, join us for fellowship and study tonight at the **Starts' from 5:30 to 7:30**. Be sure to bring your own dinner! See the Weekly Update to sign up to bring a dessert to share.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, TODAY

Please join us to vote on Randolph Benn for elder and on the proposed changes to the by-laws following worship on Sunday, 11/12.

GIVING TREE DONATIONS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 12

As we eagerly anticipate the coming of Christmas, we at Christ Community have a unique opportunity to love the women at **The Extension** by helping provide gifts for them and their children. Our contact at the Extension told us that providing the opportunity for the women to shop for their children is one of the most dignifying and loving things we could do for them! If you would like to give please us the payment link in the weekly update or mark "Giving Trees" in the memo line of your check. We will be taking donations until **November 12th**. If you have any questions don't hesitate to email josh@christcommunitycobb.org

NOVEMBER LEADERSHIP PRAYER

Pray for the elders as they meet on **Tuesday, 11/14**.

MUST MINISTRIES SERVICE OPPORTUNITY, NOVEMBER 18

Students and parents, MUST Ministries needs help washing and detailing a Mobile Pantry Bus before the Gobble Jog. We will meet at MUST's donation center at 9:00 AM. Please contact Matt if you would like to help!

NEW WOMEN'S STUDY, BEGINNING IN JANUARY

Join us on the first and third Thursday of the month from 7pm-9pm at Kylie Murphy's home (6256 New Mill Trail Acworth GA 30102) as we study "The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry," by John Mark Comer. Please reach out to Amy Maphet 678.267.5587 or amymaphet@gmail.com with any questions.



The Promised Advent of Jesus ⁱⁿ Ruth

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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
November 12, 2023

Prelude

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

Welcome

***Call to Worship - Psalm 70:4-5**

~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 - *Arise, O God, & Shine

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

***Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - Matthew 1:18-25**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

Song of Comfort - *O Come, O Come Emmanuel

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

Pastoral Prayer - Update From the Blackman Family, RUF @ KSU

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

Sermon - The Providence of Redemption, Part 1: Of Sovereignty,

Provision, and Protection

Ruth 2:1-13

Preparation of the Table

Partaking of the Table

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

***Doxology**

Song of Response - *Come to the Feast

~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 - 2 Timothy 2:8-13**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

***Stand**

Giving boxes are located on the table inside the sanctuary by the doors and the welcome table in the lobby.

Come to the Feast

Go to the highways and hedges

Go to the farthest of fields

Go and compel

The sick and the well

For our Father's house will be filled

Go to the streets of the city

Bring in the crippled and blind

All who would taste

This banquet of grace

Must come and waste no more time

Come to the feast

Come to the table

The great and the least

The rich and the poor

Come to the feast

Come to the table

Come and hunger no more

In the robe of the lamb

You'll be covered

Dressed in his pure righteousness

For all of your guilt

His blood it was spilt

So come by your Father be blessed

SONG OF *Response*

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

Amen

CALL TO Worship

⁴May all who seek you
rejoice and be glad in you!
May those who love your salvation
say evermore, "God is great!"
⁵But I am poor and needy;
hasten to me, O God!
You are my help and my deliverer;
O LORD, do not delay!

Psalm 70:4-5

“THE PROVIDENCE OF REDEMPTION, PART 1:
OF SOVEREIGNTY, PROVISION, AND PROTECTION”

RUTH 2:1-13

CAMERON BARHAM

Key Truth: God providentially provides for and protects us through the generosity and blessings of fellow family members in Christ.

Introduction:

Q: How has the Lord used others to be generous to and bless you when you were in need?

Question 27. What do you understand by the providence of God?

Answer: God's providence is His almighty and ever present power, whereby, as with His hand, He still upholds heaven and earth and all creatures, and so governs them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and barren years, food and drink, health and sickness, riches and poverty, indeed, all things, come not by chance but by His fatherly hand.

The Heidelberg Catechism

Ruth 2:1-13: God's Providential Provision and Protection Through Ordinary Means:

“In Boaz law and love are one. Thus, because God is his covenant God, God's law is his way of life. He exemplifies the book of Proverbs. He exemplifies the principles of the first psalm. He exemplifies Torah. He knows the blessing of the Lord because he walks in the way of the Lord. No detail of God's law is too small for Boaz to put into practice. Love does not ignore the law because it is more important than the law, or act as if it can abandon the law because its nature is to love. Rather, love shows what the intention of the law really is. It is the fulfillment of the law, not the rejection of it (Galatians 5:14).”

Sinclair B. Ferguson, *Faithful God: An Exposition of the Book of Ruth*

Q: How do you respond to opportunities to be generous to and bless others when they're in need? What does this reflect about your understanding of who and Whose you are?

Application:

Ruth 2:1-13 teaches us that:

-God providentially provides for and protects us through the generosity and blessings of fellow family members in Christ.

Communion

Benediction: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

SONG OF
Comfort

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appears

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel,
Shall come to thee, O Israel!*

O come, Thou Dayspring come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine Advent here
And chase away the shades of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight

O come, Desire of Nations, bind
In one the hearts of all mankind
Oh, bid our sad divisions cease
And be Thyself our King of Peace

Arise, O God, and Shine

Arise, O God, and shine
In all Thy saving might
And prosper each design
To spread Thy glorious light
Let healing streams of mercy flow
That all the earth Thy truth may know

Bring distant nations near
To sing Thy glorious praise
Let every people hear
And learn Thy holy ways
Reign, mighty God
Assert Thy cause
And govern by Thy righteous laws

Put forth Thy glorious power
That everyone may see
And earth present her store
In converts born to Thee
God, our own God
His Church will bless
And fill the world with righteousness

To God, the only Wise
The one immortal King
Let hallelujahs rise
From every living thing
Let all that breathe, on every coast
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

SONG OF
Praise

Confession OF SIN

Gracious and Merciful Father,

We come before you to confess our sin as Your redeemed and beloved children. May Your Spirit alone convict us of our sin and remind us of our pardon in Christ through repentance.

(Take a moment to silently confess.)

We confess that we too often fail to serve as Your ordinary means to help provide for and protect those in need as You have faithfully done for us (**Ruth 2:1-13**).

We confess these things before You because You are faithful to forgive us in Christ.

Bless us with the assurance of our pardon by Your Holy Spirit in Christ alone, by faith alone, through Your grace alone, from Your Word.

Amen.

Assurance OF PARDON

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

²³ “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel” (which means, God with us).

²⁴ When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, ²⁵ but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

Matthew 1:18-25

(Leader) - And based on the gift of this assurance of pardon to us, God’s people, we all can’t help but say,

(Congregation) - Amen!