

STAY CONNECTED AT CCC...

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP, MARCH 26

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

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP SERVICE, APRIL 7

Join us for a worship service on Good Friday, April 7 at 6:30 PM at the Community Center! This will be an abbreviated service of 45 minutes, giving us time to worship, meditate and reflect on Jesus' death as we eagerly wait for the celebration of His resurrection on Easter Sunday. **There will be no childcare during the service.** Reach out to Robby with any questions.

UPDATE ON THE STOCKS

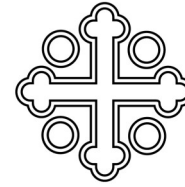
We are going to increase our monthly Faith Promise commitment to the Stocks from \$500 to \$1,000/month beginning in April to help with their increased expenses in their new calling. We will also have a **Sending Service** for them on **April 30th** with a church picnic following at the Warrior Pavilion at Swift Cantrell Park from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm. Join us in celebrating God's goodness to His people!

HOSPITALITY TEAM VOLUNTEER NEEDED

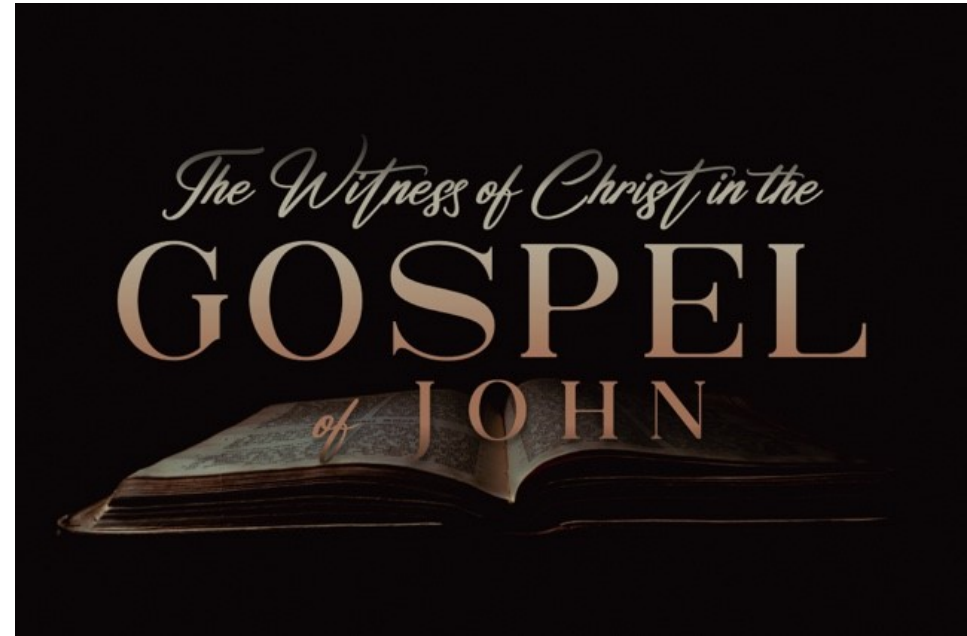
We need an additional volunteer to serve on the hospitality team. Volunteers serve one Sunday each month. Reach out to Chad Whetzell with any questions or if you'd like to volunteer: chad.whetzell@icloud.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SERVE IN INFANTS

We are in need of additional volunteers to serve in the Infants class once a month during worship. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions please reach out to Bonnie at bonnie@christcommunitycobb.org.



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

MARCH 26, 2023

Prelude

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

Welcome

***Call to Worship - Isaiah 49:1-7**

~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 - *Goodness of God

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

***Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - John 17:13-19**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

Songs of Comfort - *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* *Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

Pastoral Prayer - Tim & Rhianna Mills, MTW Thailand and David Donovan, Grace Covenant Presbyterian, Dallas

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

Sermon - Jesus the Rejected Witness John 19:1-16a

Song of Response - *Rock of Ages (When the Day Seems Long)

~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 - Hebrews 13:20-21**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

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“JESUS THE REJECTED WITNESS”

JOHN 19:1-16A

ROBBY BAXTER

Key Truth: By patiently enduring rejection, Jesus bears witness to the Truth that God loves us.

Introduction:

Q: How do you typically react to rejection?

John 19:1-16a: Jesus Rejected

“We all know that things sometimes happen in life which seem impossible to reconcile with the fact that the Ruler of the Universe is a Holy and Loving God. But the things *have happened*: we cannot escape the difficulty by doubting them. What is done in such a case by the Christian who has proved his Lord's love is to rest in what he knows that God is, and not to allow a puzzle to shake his faith in a certainty. This is how we have to deal with a fact which raises unanswerable problems: we have to set over against it the equally certain fact of the love and righteousness of God, and leave the puzzles to settle themselves.”

Harold Guillebaud, *Why the Cross?*

Q: In what ways do you make it a regular practice to meditate on the love of God as it is revealed in Jesus Christ?

Application:

John 19:1-16a teaches us that:

- By patiently enduring rejection, Jesus bears witness to the Truth that God loves us.

Benediction: *Hebrews 13:20-21*