

STAY *Connected* AT CCC

NO YOUTH GROUP TONIGHT

No youth group: There will be no youth group tonight due to fall break.

YOUTH GROUP GAME NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 30

6th-12th graders are invited to a board game night at the Wagoners' from 6:00 to 9:00 PM on September 30th. Pizza will be provided, but please bring a snack or dessert to share. Please RSVP to Matt by September 29th.

NEXT LORD'S TABLE SERVED, OCTOBER 1

Come to worship with your heart and mind prepared to celebrate the sacrament of communion.

CONGREGATIONAL UPDATE ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

Join us following worship to recount God's goodness to our church over the last year and look ahead to the coming ministry year.

NWGP FALL YOUTH RETREAT, NOVEMBER 3-5

Registration for the Northwest Georgia Fall Youth Retreat is now open! The retreat is open to 6th-12th graders. The cost is \$80 per person. Please see the weekly update to register by October 6th. Contact Matt with any questions!

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT, OCTOBER 13-15

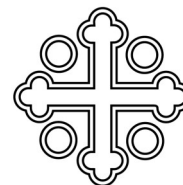
Join us for a few days away at a great house in Cedar Bluff, AL! It's going to be an awesome, relaxing weekend filled with fellowship, encouragement, and lakefront sitting. The entire weekend **cost is \$120**, which includes lodging and 4 meals. Or just come out for the day on **Saturday for \$25**. More details and an FAQ will be available soon. Be on the lookout for the official email invite coming out soon and **contact Carrie Boogaart with any questions** (carrie.boogaart@gmail.com).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

We are in need of **TWO** volunteers (2 adults) to serve in our 3-4 years old class this upcoming ministry year. If you are a church member and would like to volunteer then please contact Bonnie Lane at bonnie@christcommunitycobb.org for more information.

FAITH PROMISE CARDS

Faith Promise Prayer Cards are available on the Welcome Table in the Lobby. Please prayerfully consider supporting our missionaries near and far.



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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
September 24, 2023

Prelude

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

Welcome

***Call to Worship - Psalm 36:5-9**

~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 - 1 Corinthians 10:14-17**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

***Songs of Comfort - Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery**

For The Bread

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

**Pastoral Prayer - Tim & Rhianna Mills, MTW Thailand &
Cherokee Presbyterian Church - Canton**

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

Sermon - The Lord's Supper: Preparing to Come to the Table
1 Corinthians 11:17-34

***Song of Response - The Church's One Foundation**

~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 - Galatians 6:14-16,18**

~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.

The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord
She is his new creation
By water and the Word
From heaven he came
And sought her
To be his holy bride
With his own blood he bought her
And for her life he died

Elect from every nation
Yet one o'er all the earth
Her charter of salvation
One Lord, one faith, one birth
One holy name she blesses
Partakes one holy food
And to one hope she presses
With every grace endued

Mid toil and tribulation
And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore
Till, with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest
And the great church victorious
Shall be the church at rest

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won
O happy ones and holy
Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly
On high may dwell with thee

SONG OF
Response

“THE LORD’S SUPPER: PREPARING TO COME
TO THE TABLE ”
1 CORINTHIANS 11:17-34
MATT O’SULLIVAN

Key Truth: We must prepare for the Lord’s Supper to benefit from it as a means of grace.

Introduction:

Q: *What do you expect to happen when we come to the Lord’s Table? How are your expectations shaping your preparations?*

1 Corinthians 11:17-34: Preparing to Come to the Table

Q. 170. How do those who worthily participate in the Lord’s Supper feed on the body and blood of Christ in it?

The body and blood of Christ are not bodily or physically present in, with, or under the bread and wine in the Lord’s supper, and yet are spiritually present to the faith of the receiver, no less truly and really than the elements themselves are to their outward senses. Therefore those who worthily participate in the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper feed on the body and blood of Christ in it, not in a bodily or physical manner but in a spiritual manner, but nevertheless truly and really, while by faith they receive and apply to themselves Christ crucified and all the benefits of his death.

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q: *What will you do this week to help you prepare for the Lord’s Supper next Sunday?*

Application:

1 Corinthians 11:17-34 teaches us that:
We must prepare for the Lord’s Supper to benefit from it as a means of grace.

Benediction: *Galatians 6:14-16, 18*

CALL TO Worship

⁵Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the skies.

⁶Your righteousness is like the highest
mountains, your justice like the great deep.
You, Lord, preserve both people and animals.

⁷How priceless is your unfailing love, O God!
People take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

⁸They feast on the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from your river of delights.

⁹For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light.

Psalm 36:5-9

Sacraments are holy signs and seals
to the covenant of grace,
immediately instituted by God,
to represent Christ and His benefits;
and to confirm our interest in Him;
as also, to put a
visible difference between
those that belong unto the Church
and the rest of the world;
and solemnly to engage them
to the service of God in Christ,
according to His word!

**The Westminster Confession of Faith
XXVII, 1. Of the Sacraments**

For The Bread

For the bread which
You have broken,
For the wine which
You have poured,
For the words which
You have spoken,
Now we give you Thanks, O Lord

By this pledge
That you do love us,
By your gift
Of peace restored,
By your call
To heaven before us,
Sanctify our lives O Lord.

With our sainted ones in glory,
Seated at our Father's board,
May the Church that
Waits now for Thee
Keep love's tie unbroken Lord

In your service Lord defend us
In our hearts keep watch & ward.
In the world where'r You send us
May your kingdom come, O Lord
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Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous mystery
In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ, who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous mystery
He the perfect Son of Man
In His living, in His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law; in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him
Praise the Lord; He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when he comes

SONG OF
Comfort

Psalm 27 (One Thing)

The Lord is my light
And my salvation
In whom shall I fear
Whom shall I fear
The Lord is my strength
The stronghold of my life
In whom shall I fear
Whom shall I fear

*And you said, "Seek my face."
Your face, oh, God I seek*

*One thing I ask
And I will seek
To dwell in the house of the Lord
All my days
To gaze upon your beauty
Worship at your feet
Oh, one thing I seek*

(Bridge)
Holy fire
Abba Father
My Redeemer
My Delight
Holy, Holy
God Almighty
You're the one thing
That I desire
(Chorus)

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 often come to Your Table with low expectations and little preparation for the nourishment of our faith (**1 Corinthians 11:17-34**).

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

¹⁴ Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry. ¹⁵ I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. ¹⁶ The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? ¹⁷ Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

1 Corinthians 10:14-17

(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!