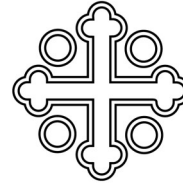


# STAY *Connected* AT CCC



CHRIST COMMUNITY  
CHURCH

## MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP, SEPTEMBER 1

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

## OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THE BETTIS FAMILY

Baby Bettis has arrived! Join us in celebrating the birth of Norma Jean, weighing 8lbs 2oz and measuring 21 inches long. Both mom and baby are doing well. Please visit the weekly update if you would like to support Jacob and Alyssa by providing them with a meal.

## NEXT LORD'S TABLE SERVED, SEPTEMBER 8

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

## MONDAY MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP, SEPTEMBER 16

The Monday Men's Discipleship Group is starting a new study on the Sermon on the Mount. You are invited to join us on the **1st and 3rd Mondays of each month at the Chick-fil-A on Cobb Pkwy in Acworth**. We meet at **6:00 AM** and will begin on September 16. Reach out to Robby to get the study guide or with any questions.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CLASSES

We are seeking **9 volunteers in our Infants through Preschool classes** this upcoming ministry year. If you are interested in serving, please reach out to Bonnie at [bonnie@christcommunitycobb.org](mailto:bonnie@christcommunitycobb.org) for further details.

## SABBATICAL EMAIL SCHEDULE

In preparation for and stewarding of his sabbatical, Cameron's last day to respond to emails is **August 30th** and he will log back in **December 16th**.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY REGISTRATION FORM

To ensure we have accurate information for your child, including class assignments, accommodations, and allergy details, please complete the Children's Ministry Registration Form in the weekly update by **September 1st**. Thank you!



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OUR *Worship* CELEBRATION  
September 1, 2024

**Prelude**

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

**Welcome**

**\*Call to Worship - Isaiah 64:1-4**

~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 - O Worship the King**

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

**\*Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - Mark 2:15-17**

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

**\*Congregational Response: Amen!**

**\*Songs of Comfort - A Mighty Fortress**

*Goodness of Jesus*

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

**Pastoral Prayer - First Care Women's Clinic and  
Smyrna Presbyterian Church, Smyrna**

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

**Sermon - Jesus's Baptism and Temptation  
Mark 1:9-13**

**\*Song of Response - Hail to the Lord's Anointed**

~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 Peter 3:14,18**

~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.*

***Hail to the Lord's Anointed***

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed,  
Great David's greater Son!  
Hail in the time appointed,  
His reign on earth's begun!  
His reign on earth's begun!*

*SONG OF Response*

He comes to break oppression,  
To set the captive free  
To take away transgression  
And rule in equity  
(Chorus)

He comes with comfort speedy  
To those who suffer wrong  
To help the poor and needy  
And bid the weak be strong  
To give them songs for sighing  
Their darkness turn to light  
Whose souls, condemned  
And dying  
Are precious in his sight  
(Chorus)

He shall come down like showers  
Upon the fruitful earth  
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers  
Spring in his path to birth  
The tide of time shall never  
His covenant remove  
His name shall stand forever  
That name to us is love  
(Chorus)

# “JESUS’S BAPTISM AND TEMPTATION”

MARK 1:9-13

MATT O’SULLIVAN

**Key Truth: Jesus’s baptism identifies Him as the Father’s beloved Son and anointed Servant sent to conquer Satan and die for our sin.**

## Introduction:

**Q:** *Why are Jesus’s baptism and temptation good news for us today?*

## Mark 1:9-13: Jesus’s Baptism and Temptation

“... *temptation did not in the first instance come to Jesus; he marched into temptation’s territory.* When we face temptation, the gospel tells us ‘Run!’ By contrast, led by the Holy Spirit as the director-general of his life and ministry, Jesus is told not to ‘Run away, the devil is coming!’ but ‘Go! Enter his territory. Face him down and defeat him, for this is the task for which you have been baptized and anointed with the Spirit.’ ... If we are to be set free from the destruction that Satan has wrought in our lives, his territory must first be invaded and he must be disarmed of his authority. Only then can his prisoners be set free. This is what Jesus is doing here. He is entering the palace of the devil, the strong man armed, in order to bind him.”

Sinclair B. Ferguson & Derek W. H. Thomas, *Ichthus: Jesus Christ, God’s Son, the Saviour*

## Application Questions:

1. *What makes you feel alone when you face temptation?*
2. *How can you grow in resting in Jesus’s victory over Satan and your sin?*
3. *How can you grow in running to Jesus when you face temptation (and not just run to Him afterwards)?*

**Mark 1:9-13** teaches us that **Jesus’s baptism identifies Him as the Father’s beloved Son and anointed Servant sent to conquer Satan and die for our sin.**

CALL TO Worship

<sup>1</sup> Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence –

<sup>2</sup> as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil –

to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence!

<sup>3</sup> When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

<sup>4</sup> From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him.

Isaiah 64:1-4

## The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;

Who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and on the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL  
Response

## *The Goodness of Jesus*

Come you weary heart now to Jesus  
Come you anxious soul now and see  
There is perfect love  
And comfort in your tears  
Rest here in His wondrous peace

*Oh the goodness,  
The goodness of Jesus  
Satisfied, He is all that I need  
May it be, come what may,  
That I rest all my days  
In the goodness of Jesus*

Come find what this world  
Cannot offer  
Come and find your joy  
Here complete  
Taste the living water,  
Never thirst again  
Rest here in His wondrous peace

Come and find your hope  
Now in Jesus  
He is all He said He would be  
Grace is overflowing  
From the Savior's heart  
Rest here in His wondrous peace

SONG OF  
Comfort

SONG OF  
*Comfort*

*A Mighty Fortress*

A mighty fortress is our God  
A bulwark never failing  
Our helper He amid the flood  
Of mortal ills prevailing  
For still our ancient foe  
Doth seek to work us woe  
His craft and pow'r are great  
And armed with cruel hate  
On earth is not His equal

If we in our own strength confide  
Our striving would be losing  
Were not the right man on our side,  
The man of God's own choosing  
You ask who that may be?  
Christ Jesus it is He  
The Lord of Hosts His name,  
From age to age the same  
And He must win the battle

And though this world  
With devils filled  
Should threaten to undo us  
We will not fear for God hath willed  
His truth to triumph through us  
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A mighty fortress is our God  
His kingdom is forever (4x's)

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Our striving would be losing

*O Worship the King*

O worship the King  
All glorious above  
O gratefully sing  
His power and His love  
Our shield and defender  
The ancient of days  
Pavilioned in splendor  
And girded with praise

O tell of His might  
O sing of His grace  
Whose robe is the light  
Whose canopy space  
His chariots of wrath  
The deep thunderclouds form  
And dark is His path  
On the wings of the storm

*It's your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise  
We pour out our praise  
It's your breath in our lungs  
So, we pour out our praise  
To You only*

Frail children of dust  
And feeble as frail  
In Thee do we trust  
Nor find Thee to fail  
Thy mercies how tender  
How firm to the end  
Our Maker, Defender  
Redeemer and Friend

O measureless might! Ineffable love!  
While angels delight  
To worship above  
The humbler creation  
Though feeble their ways  
With true adoration  
Shall all sing Thy praise

SONG OF  
*Praise*

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 act as if we were alone in temptation rather than depending upon Jesus as our sympathetic and victorious Redeemer (**Mark 1:9-13**).

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

<sup>15</sup> And as he reclined at table in his house, many tax collectors and sinners were reclining with Jesus and his disciples, for there were many who followed him. <sup>16</sup> And the scribes of the Pharisees, when they saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, said to his disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" <sup>17</sup> And when Jesus heard it, he said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

**Mark 2:15-17**

(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!**

Confession OF SIN