

STAY *Connected* AT CCC

TWO SERVICES IN THE LARGE MEETING ROOM, JUNE 14

We will not have access to our sanctuary space due to voting. Both services will be held in the large meeting room (up the ramp) at **9:00 am and 10:30 am**. If you do not need childcare, please consider attending the 9:00 AM service to help make space for families at 10:30 AM.

JUNE PRAYER FOR LEADERSHIP

Please be praying for the **elders**, who will be meeting on **Tuesday, 6/9**. In addition be praying for **Cameron, Matt, Chris, and Anna** as they attend the **PCA's General Assembly** in Louisville, KY from **Monday, 6/22-Friday, 6/26**. Thank you for praying for us!

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

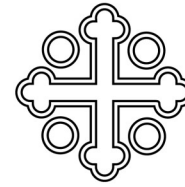
The Student Leadership Program is back and partnering with Must Ministries and their Summer Lunch Program. They hope to **raise \$2,500 to assemble 200 meal kits** that will go to children in the community who face food insecurity during the summer months. **To donate, select Summer Lunch Program on Tithely by July 12th**. If you have any questions see SLP members Shamus Yandle Jr. or Ellie Maphet.

FALL WOMEN'S RETREAT

Save the date for the upcoming Women's Retreat happening in **September from the 11th to the 13th!** The Retreat will be at Paradise Hills Resort in Blairsville, GA. Look for more information in the weekly update to come in the weeks ahead.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for **two volunteers to serve in our Preschool and Toddlers classes** once a month for the remainder of the ministry year. If you are interested in serving, or would like more information, please contact Bonnie or Ransley.



CHRIST COMMUNITY
CHURCH

Ecclesiastes

*The frustrating Elusiveness of Life
and a Joyful Faith in the fear of the Lord*

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

June 7, 2026

Prelude

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

Welcome

***Call to Worship - Psalm 139:17-24**

~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 139 (You Have Searched Me)**

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

***Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - 2 Corinthians 4:16-18**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

***Song of Comfort - Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me**

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

Pastoral Prayer - Grace Potter, RUF @ KSU and Cherokee Presbyterian Church, Canton

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

Sermon - The Gatherer's Personal Confession of His Pursuit of Wisdom and Wickedness Ecclesiastes 7:21-29

Preparation of the Table

Partaking of the Table

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

***Doxology**

***Song of Response - For the Bread**

~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 - Ecclesiastes 12:13**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

***Stand**

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

Response
SONG OF

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

- ¹⁷ How precious to me are your thoughts,
O God! How vast is the sum of them!
- ¹⁸ If I would count them, they are more
than the sand. I awake, and I am still
with you.
- ¹⁹ Oh that you would slay the wicked,
O God! O men of blood, depart from
me!
- ²⁰ They speak against you with malicious
intent; your enemies take your name in
vain.
- ²¹ Do I not hate those who hate you,
O Lord? And do I not loathe those
who rise up against you?
- ²² I hate them with complete hatred;
I count them my enemies.
- ²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!
- ²⁴ And see if there be any grievous way in
me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

Psalm 139:17-24

Heavenly Father,
 We come this morning seeking You while
 You may be found;
 We call upon You while You are near;
 We forsake our wicked ways, and our
 unrighteous thoughts;
 we return to You, O Lord, that You may have
 compassion on us,
 for You abundantly pardon in Christ.
 Your thoughts, heavenly Father, are not our
 thoughts, neither are our ways Your ways.
 For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
 so are Your ways higher than our ways and
 Your thoughts than our thoughts.
 For as the rain and the snow come down
 from heaven and do not return there but
 water the earth,
 making it bring forth and sprout, giving
 seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
 so shall Your word be that goes out
 from Your mouth;
 it shall not return to You empty, but it shall
 accomplish that which You purpose,
 and shall succeed in the thing for which You
 sent it—our redemption in Christ.
 For we go out in joy and are led forth in peace;
 Creation breaks forth in a chorus of praise
 and longed-for joy
 At our revealing as Your sons and daughters.
 May we bring everlasting praise to Your name,
 O Lord.

Adapted from Isaiah 55:6-13

“THE GATHERER’S PERSONAL CONFESSION OF HIS
 PURSUIT OF WISDOM AND WICKEDNESS”
 ECCLESIASTES 7:21-29
 CAMERON BARHAM

Key Truth: God calls us to remain dependent on Him as we receive wisdom as a gift in Christ.

Introduction:

Q: *Which do you do most often when you need insight: pursue wisdom that could prove costly personally but glorifies God or affirmation for what you’ve deemed best whether it glorifies God or not?*

Ecclesiastes 7:21-29: Wisdom Given as Gift and Proved by Wickedness:

¹² “But where shall wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding?
¹³ Man does not know its worth, and it is not found in the land of the living.
¹⁴ The deep says, ‘It is not in me,’ and the sea says, ‘It is not with me.’
¹⁵ It cannot be bought for gold, and silver cannot be weighed as its price.
¹⁶ It cannot be valued in the gold of Ophir, in precious onyx or sapphire.
¹⁷ Gold and glass cannot equal it, nor can it be exchanged for jewels of fine gold.
¹⁸ No mention shall be made of coral or of crystal; the price of wisdom is above pearls.
¹⁹ The topaz of Ethiopia cannot equal it, nor can it be valued in pure gold.
²⁰ “From where, then, does wisdom come? And where is the place of understanding?
²¹ It is hidden from the eyes of all living and concealed from the birds of the air.
²² Abaddon and Death say, ‘We have heard a rumor of it with our ears.’
²³ “God understands the way to it, and he knows its place.
²⁴ For he looks to the ends of the earth and sees everything under the heavens.
²⁵ When he gave to the wind its weight and apportioned the waters by measure,
²⁶ when he made a decree for the rain and a way for the lightning of the thunder,
²⁷ then he saw it and declared it; he established it, and searched it out.
²⁸ And he said to man, ‘Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom,
 and to turn away from evil is understanding.’”

Job 28:12–28

Application Questions:

1. *How have you grown in your dependence on God as you receive wisdom as a gift in Christ?*
2. *How have your various sins served to prove God’s wisdom as ultimately true?*

Application:

Ecclesiastes 7:21-29 teaches us that God calls us to remain dependent on Him as we receive wisdom as a gift in Christ.

Communion

Benediction: *Ecclesiastes 12:13*

Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus, my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy,
My righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love,
My deep and boundless peace
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh, how strange and divine,
I can sing, "All is mine"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Savior, He will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley, He will lead
Oh the night has been won,
And I shall overcome
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future, sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled
And suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released,
I can sing, "I am free"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath, I long to follow Jesus
For He has said
That He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
[When the race is complete,
Still, my lips shall repeat
Yet not I, but through Christ in me
Yet not I, but through Christ in me
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

SONG OF
Comfort

Psalm 139

(You Have Searched Me And Know Me)

Oh, Lord
You have searched me
You have known me
Oh, Lord

Oh, Lord
You have searched me
You have known me
Oh, Lord

You know when I sit down
And when I rise up
You discern my thoughts from afar
And you search out my path
And my lying down
And are acquainted with all my ways
You are acquainted with all my ways

Praise
SONG OF

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 remain dependent on You to receive wisdom as a gift in Christ
(Ecclesiastes 7:21-29).

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

¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸ as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

2 Corinthians 4:16-18

(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!