

STAY *Connected* AT CCC

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The church office will be closed on Thursday, 7/4, in honor of the 4th of July.

FAITH PROMISE UPDATE

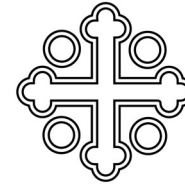
As of June 23rd, **we've given \$68,327** to Faith Promise. Thank you for your ongoing generosity! **We need \$23,473** to fulfill our commitments through August 31.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need several volunteers to serve in our **1st-2nd grade and 3rd-5th grade** Sunday school classes for the **2024-2025 ministry year beginning in August**. If you are a member or regular attender interested in serving, please reach out to Bonnie at bonnie@christcommunitycobb.org for more information.

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

The Student Leadership Team is coordinating a service project to help with the MUST Ministries summer lunch program. This program provides 9 weeks' worth of meals for children in need in the Metro-Atlanta area. **Our goal is to prepare 150 meal kits** and we are asking for the congregation's help to make this happen. The whole youth group will be putting the meal kits together later in the summer. Our goal is to raise \$1800. The leadership team will use the donated funds to purchase the items needed for the meal kits. To make a donation, **please give to the mercy fund on tithe.ly and put 'Summer Lunch Program' in the memo line**. Thank you!



CHRIST COMMUNITY
CHURCH

TAKE UP YOUR CROSS AND FOLLOW JESUS:



Forgiveness. Repentance. Suffering. and Joy.

Scan this QR code for Online Giving, Visitor Information and Prayer Requests



Info@christcommunitycobb.org ♦ www.christcommunitycobb.org
Christ Community Church is a local congregation of the PCA

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 30, 2024

Prelude

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

Welcome

***Call to Worship - Zephaniah 3:14-20**

~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 - *The Love of God

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

***Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - 1 Peter 1:3-9**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

Song of Comfort - *Cornerstone

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

Pastoral Prayer - Parakaleo Ministries and King's Chapel Presbyterian Church, Carrolton

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

Sermon - The Decentering Nature of God's Economy: The Call to Deny Our
Selfish Greed and Take up the Cross of Spending Ourselves and
Resources for the Repentance of Others
Luke 15:1-10

Preparation of the Table

Partaking of the Table

~Practiced on a regular basis to make the Word

***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 - Ephesians 6:23-24**

~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 & 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

- ¹⁴ Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion;
shout, O Israel!
Rejoice and exult with all your heart,
O daughter of Jerusalem!
- ¹⁵ The Lord has taken away the
judgments against you;
he has cleared away your enemies.
The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your
midst; you shall never again fear evil.
- ¹⁶ On that day it shall be said to
Jerusalem: "Fear not, O Zion;
let not your hands grow weak.
- ¹⁷ The Lord your God is in your midst,
a mighty one who will save;
he will rejoice over you with gladness;
he will quiet you by his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing.
- ¹⁸ I will gather those of you who mourn for
the festival, so that you will no longer
suffer reproach.
- ¹⁹ Behold, at that time I will deal
with all your oppressors.
And I will save the lame
and gather the outcast,
and I will change their shame
into praise and renown in all the earth.
- ²⁰ At that time I will bring you in,
at the time when I gather you together;
for I will make you renowned and
praised among all the peoples of the
earth, when I restore your fortunes
before your eyes," says the Lord.

Zephaniah 3:14-20

“THE DECENTERING NATURE OF GOD’S ECONOMY:
THE CALL TO DENY OUR SELFISH GREED AND TAKE UP THE
CROSS OF SPENDING OURSELVES AND RESOURCES FOR THE
REPENTANCE OF OTHERS”

LUKE 15:1-10

CAMERON BARHAM

Key Truth: Jesus calls us to deny our selfish greed and take up the cross of spending ourselves and resources for the repentance of others.

Introduction:

Q: *How do we determine whether something is worth the investment and cost?*

Lord Jesus,
help us in the power of the Holy Spirit
and through the means of grace
to deny our sinful selfishness
and take up our crosses daily
and prayerfully follow You by
forgiving as we have been forgiven,
bearing fruits in keeping with repentance,
suffering for Your glory and the good of others,
and rejoicing in life more abundant as a result.
We humbly ask in Jesus’s name,
Amen

Luke 15:1-10: The Ridiculous Cost and Foolish Festivity of Redemption:

“Jesus wants us to share the joy that he has in finding the lost. We share our shepherd’s joy when we admit that we have gone astray and need him to come and find us. We share his joy when we accept being found and ask him to carry us back home, and even more when we celebrate our salvation. Then, once we are saved, we share the shepherd’s joy by having his heart for lost sheep....We share his joy by joining his quest to seek and to save people who are lost spiritually.”

Philip Graham Ryken, *Luke, Volume 2: Chapters 13-24*

Application Questions:

- 1. *Are there any groups of people that you think aren’t worth the investment and cost of pursuing in Christ?***
- 2. *Where is God inviting you to deny your selfish greed and take up your cross of spending yourself and your resources for the repentance of others?***

Luke 15:1-10 teaches us that Jesus calls us to deny our selfish greed and take up the cross of spending ourselves and resources for the repentance of others.

Communion

Benediction: *Ephesians 6:23-24*

SONG OF
Comfort

Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus name

*Christ alone; cornerstone
Weak made strong
In the Savior's love
Through the storm
He is Lord, Lord of all*

When Darkness seems
To hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil

When He shall come
With trumpet sound
Oh, may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
...Faultless stand before the throne

SONG OF
Praise

The Love of God

The love of God is greater far
Than tongue or pen can ever tell
It goes beyond the highest star
And reaches to the lowest hell
The guilty pair
Bowed down with care
God gave His Son to win
His erring child He reconciled
And pardoned from his sin

When ancient time shall pass away
And earthly thrones
And kingdoms fall
When men who now refuse to pray
On rocks and hills
And mountains call
God's love so sure shall still endure
All measureless and strong
Redeeming grace to Adam's race
The saints' and angels' song

*O love of God, how rich and pure!
How measureless and strong!
It shall for evermore endure
The saints' and angels' song.*

Could we with ink the ocean fill
And were the skies
Of parchment made
Were every stalk on earth a quill
And every man a scribe by trade
To write the love of God above
Would drain the ocean dry
Nor could the scroll
Contain the whole
Though stretched from sky to sky

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 fail to deny our selfish greed and take up the cross of spending ourselves and resources for the repentance of others. **(Luke 15:1-10).**

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

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹ obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

1 Peter 1:3-9

(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!