STAY CONNECTED AT CCC...

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP, TONIGHT

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

PRAYER FOR LEADERSHIP

Pray for Cameron and Susan as they will be away celebrating their 23rd wedding anniversary. Please contact the staff or your Shepherding Elder or Deacon if you need anything through Thanksgiving.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED THE WEEK OF THANKSGIVING

The church office will be closed November 21 - 25 and will reopen November 28.

GIVING TREE FOR THE WOMEN'S EXTENSION

As we eagerly anticipate the coming of Christmas, we at Christ Community have a unique opportunity to love the women at *The Extension* by helping provide gifts for them and their children. Our contact at the Extension told us that providing the opportunity for the women to shop for their children is one of the most dignifying things we could do for them! **Our goal is to raise \$5,600** which would allow each woman to have \$100 to shop for each of her children, and would also provide \$100 for her to shop for herself. These gifts are a tangible expression of our love for them and a reminder that they are not only special to us, but to God too! You can make a donation online or in person. If you **donate online**, please select "**Giving Trees.**" We will be accepting donations through **November 27th**. Thank you for your generosity!

MISSIONS CARE TEAM OPPORTUNITY

If you are interested in joining together to encourage our church-supported missionaries, please contact Stephanie Napper (stephanie@samscreek.net) for more information about the new Missions Care Team

FAITH PROMISE UPDATE

\$17,808 given as of 11/13; \$1,242 needed by 11/30 to stay on budget. Thank you for being generous to missions work near and far!





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CHANGED HEARTS, CHANGED LIVES, CHANGED COMMUNITY

OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION NOVEMBER 20, 2022

"THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF JESUS' BIRTH" LUKE 1:26-38 MATT O'SULLIVAN

Key Truth: Faith surrenders to God's grace and submits to His Word.

Prelude

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

Welcome

*Call to Worship - Psalm 89:1-8 ~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 - Steadfast

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

*Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - John 8:12

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

*Congregational Response: Amen!

*Songs of Comfort - Comfort, Comfort Now My People Savior of the Nations, Come

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

Pastoral Prayer - The Blackmans, RUF KSU and **CCC Church Plant**

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

Sermon - The Announcement of Jesus' Birth Luke 1:26-38

*Song of Response - Hark! The Herald Angels Sing ~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 - 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

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

*Congregational Response: Amen!

*Stand

Introduction:

Q: How do you define faith?

"Surely, while we teach that faith ought to be certain and assured, we cannot imagine any certainty that is not tinged with doubt, or any assurance that is not assailed by some anxiety. On the other hand, we say that believers are in perpetual conflict with their own unbelief ... [And yet he] who, struggling with his own weakness, presses toward faith in his moments of anxiety is already in large part victorious." John Calvin, Institutes of the Christian Religion (3.2.17)

Luke 1:26-38: The Announcement of Jesus' Birth

"God was able to bring a child from a barren womb. If he was able to do this, then by the power of his Holy Spirit he could just as well make a virgin conceive and bear a son. And if God could perform the miracle of the virgin birth, then he is quite capable of handling the difficulties of our daily lives. Nothing is impossible with God." Philip Graham Ryken, Luke: Volume I: Chapters 1-12

Q: What seems impossible in your life right now? How can you steward these opportunities to surrender to God's grace and submit to His Word by faith?

Application:

Luke 1:26-38 teaches us that we get to: - Surrender to God's grace and submit to His Word by faith.