

NEW TO GC?

Stop by the Connection Desk today after our worship assembly. We'd love to meet you!

WELCOME!

Hello, GC Family!

As a leadership, we have spent time praying about and contemplating our response to the current increase in COVID cases locally and statewide, as well as in our own church body. We want you to know that we are taking the spread of the Delta variant seriously; we know firsthand just how contagious it is because of the rapid spread following a youth retreat two weekends past—at last count there were 30 cases stemming from the weekend, with several additional cases because of subsequent spread, and numerous cases within the church body not connected with the youth retreat.

Given this reality, we have decided that it is wisest to take some steps in an effort to mitigate the potential spread of this virus at our gatherings, including postponing the start of Sunday AM Connection Classes and the Small Group Celebration and Connection event.

We will return to earlier guidance about masks, and ask that you wear a mask while entering, leaving, and moving through the building. Once you are seated you are free to remove your mask. The balcony area will be a mask required zone. All childrens' environments will continue to be offered, including a staffed nursery.

We expect the current guidelines to remain in place for the month of August, with the plan of re-evaluating for September.

If you have any symptoms connected with COVID sickness, please do not attend a GC gathering. We are also asking that you follow the current guidance about isolation and quarantine for sickness or exposure.

Continue to be in prayer for those who are currently struggling through this sickness. I continue to be floored by all of the stories I'm hearing about the way you care so faithfully for each other's needs. Your love for others who are part of your church family tells volumes about your love for God.

Bless you all!
Paul



UPCOMING

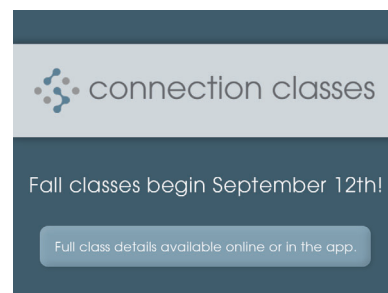


SMALL GROUPS CELEBRATION *Saturday, August 28th, 4-7 p.m.*

Come help us kick off a new season of Small Groups! We'll have games, dunk tanks, a water slide, Pinky's Shaved Ice, and of course, an opportunity to learn more about Small Groups at GC!

FALL CONNECTION CLASSES *Beginning September 12th*

We're excited to announce that we will be returning to our Connection Classes this fall! Full class details and descriptions are available online or in the GC app.



For more details on upcoming events, see the GC Events calendar online or in the GC app.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome	Ben Patterson
Shout Hallelujah! Firm Foundation What a Friend We Have in Jesus	
Offering	Ben Patterson
Faithful Love Glorify Thy Name	
Message: What Happens at the Table <i>Community • Part 1 of 4</i>	Paul Huyghebaert
Communion	Paul Huyghebaert
We Are the Body of Christ	
Next Steps	Ben Patterson
Shepherd's Prayer	Ed Brooks

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT

(the Psalmist is experiencing internal exhaustion and physical agony, he cries out for God's comfort to come soon)

"Hear my prayer, O Lord; let my cry for help come to you...Turn your ear to me; when I call, answer me quickly. For my days vanish like smoke; my bones burn like glowing ambers. My heart is blighted and withered like grass; I forget to eat my food. Because of my loud groaning I am reduced to skin and bones...But you, O Lord, sit enthroned forever; your renown endures through all generations. You will arise and show compassion on Zion, for it is time to show favor to her... (you) will respond to the prayers of the destitute; (you) will not despise their plea. Let this be written for a future generation, that a people not yet created may praise the Lord" (Psalm 102:1, 3-5, 12-13, 18). Amen.

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

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CONSTRUCTION ZONE: The incredible machines you see at a construction site are pretty powerful. But, we have Someone even more impressive, more powerful to talk about this month. GOD!

We can't wait to teach our preschoolers that God is powerful! We want them to remember that God is more powerful than anything or any person they will ever face in this world. They can always look to God for help because God's Power. Is. AWESOME!

REMEMBER THIS: "Great is our Lord and mighty in power." Psalm 147:5, NIV



DIG DEEP: When Jesus was a boy, He grew in wisdom. God wants us to discover wisdom, too. When we make a wise choice, we reflect the character of Jesus to the people around us.

That's why giving kids a strong foundation of wisdom is important. We want to equip them to face down whatever choice they may face in the future.

REMEMBER THIS: "If any of you needs wisdom, you should ask God for it. He will give it to you. God gives freely to everyone and doesn't find fault." James 1:5, NIV



YOUTH NIGHT

Sundays, 6-8 p.m., GC Auditorium

For anyone in 6th-12th grades to explore how to follow Jesus and to connect with others in a safe, fun environment. Bring your own dinner.



SUMMER CELEBRATION YOUTH NIGHT TONIGHT

Join us for our Summer Celebration Youth Night to celebrate an amazing summer in GC Youth! We will have a party outside with games, worship, testimonies, ice cream, and more! We hope YOU can join us!

For more details on upcoming events, see the GC Youth calendar online or in the GC app.



STAY CONNECTED

Text your code to 81010:

GC Youth Parents: @gcymparents
Middle School Students: @gcymms
High School Students: @gcymhs

FOLLOW US!

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SERVICES

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

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LAST WEEK (8/1/21)

On-site Attendance n/a

YTD Contributions \$649,790



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