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Loved. Equipped. Sent.

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## Welcome to NorthCross Church!

Whatever your spiritual disposition
- skeptic, seeker, follower we are glad you are with us today and pray that you
experience the grace of our Lord.
Our desire is to have our hearts strengthened
by the grace of Christ and to share that grace with the
community of Lake Norman.

### **Our Mission**

NorthCross Church exists to facilitate a gospel movement throughout the communities that make up Lake Norman for the glory of Christ.

## Our Vision

To be a people who are Loved by God, Equipped by the Gospel, and Sent into our communities.

**Loved:** Experiencing God's love and the love of one another in community

**Equipped:** Growing in our knowledge of the gospel and strengthened to share it with others

**Sent:** Engaging in the mission of God within our local communities

# **Sunday Morning Children's Ministry Information:** *Sunday School:* 9:30 am (children age 3 – high school)

All children are welcome to stay with their parents in the worship service! Also available:

*Nursing room:* adjacent to the sanctuary. Turn on the speaker to hear the sermon.

*Nursery:* provided during the worship service for babies and children up to age 2

*Children's church:* ages 2 & 3 in the toddler room ages 4 - 2nd grade in the early elementary room

\*Children will be dismissed from the service during the Passing of the Peace. They will return before Communion. The teachers will bring the children to the sanctuary and help find their parents.

Wifi Network: NCC Password: #northcrosschurch1

# **WORSHIP SERVICE**

June 11, 2023

## Meditation

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us.

Galatians 3:13

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

Romans 8:1-2

Preparing for Worship
With so many distractions vying for our attention, this is a time to quiet ourselves and read the meditation to prepare our hearts for worship.

## Welcome

Call to Worship

Read Responsively

Psalm 84

Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Congregation: For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Leader: For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

Congregation: O LORD of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!

Call to Worship God calls us to worship because God exists and speaks first. Therefore, our worship is answering God. We answer him by offering what we are to who God is. The Call to Worship is a way to proclaim God as he is, while also challenging what we

worship daily.

# GOD'S PEOPLE WORSHIP

# Confession of Sin

The prayer of confession invites us to speak words that are remarkably honest about how our thoughts, feelings, actions and words can curve inwards. This kind of honesty does not come naturally in our relationship with God or with others. But confession is liberating when we sense the greater power of Jesus' love.

**Song of Worship** See the Conqueror

**Confession of Sin** Read Together from John Wesley

ALL: O merciful Father, regard not what we have done against you, but what our blessed Savior has done for us. Regard not what we have made ourselves; but what he is made unto us of you, our God. O that Christ may be to every one of our souls, wisdom and righteousness, sanctification and redemption! That his precious blood may cleanse us from all our sins; and that your Holy Spirit may renew and sanctify our souls. May he crucify our flesh with its affections and lust, and mortify all our members which are upon earth. O let not sin reign in our mortal bodies, that we should obey its lusts; but being made free from sin, let us be the servants of righteousness. Amen.

# **Silent Confession**

# Assurance of Pardon

This it is what we need to hear after the honesty of our confession. These are God's affirming words, his forgiveness of us because of Jesus Christ.

**Assurance of Pardon** 

Leader

Ezekiel 36:25-27

Leader: I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

# LIFE TOGETHER

# **Passing of the Peace**

\*Children ages 2 through 2nd grade may be dismissed for Children's Church

**Announcements** 

**Receiving of Tithes and Offerings** 

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

Tithes and Offerings We give as an act of faith, remembering his faithfulness as our provider and joining with God's people in expressing our dependence on him, in obedience to be generous with all we have as he is generous to us.

# **CHANGED BY GOD'S WORD**

# **Scripture Reading**

John 8:1-11

<sup>1</sup> But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. <sup>2</sup> Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him, and he sat down and taught them. <sup>3</sup> The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst <sup>4</sup> they said to him, "Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. <sup>5</sup> Now in the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?" <sup>6</sup> This they said to test him, that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. <sup>7</sup> And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her." <sup>8</sup> And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground. <sup>9</sup> But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. <sup>10</sup> Jesus stood up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" <sup>11</sup> She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

#### Sermon

The sermon is teaching based on the Scripture Reading. The role of the sermon is to explain the truths of the Bible and apply them in our lives. This is not just an intellectual function; our hearts are to be affected by the words of God preached.

Sermon

"Prodigal Daughter" **Rev. Ken Cross**CEDE Sports

The Lord's Supper Jesus Christ promised to meet (or commune) with his people in a special way through this "sacrament" from the Latin word meaning mystery. We experience Christ's spiritual presence as we eat in faith. The Lord's Supper points us to the finished work of Christ at the cross and in the resurrection on our behalf.

# **GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND**

**Song of Response** 

O Come to the Altar

The Lord's Supper

Song of Receiving

Just As I Am

**SENT BY GOD** 

**Benediction** 

Benediction "Benediction" means "a good word" or blessing. In this blessing God gets the last word, promising to be with us as he sends us out into the world, carrying the hope, joy and love of Christianity's central message (the gospel).

### This Week's Calendar

6.11	Daybreak Prayer, 7:30 am Worship service, 10:30 am
6.13	VBS 9-11:30, Torrence Chapel Park
6.14	VBS 9-11:30, Torrence Chapel Park
6.15	VBS 9-11:30, Torrence Chapel Park
6.16	VBS 9-11:30, Torrence Chapel Park

#### Announcements

Men's Fall Retreat - mark your calendar for the Men's Fall Retreat at Montreat Conference Center, November 10-12. Our speaker will be Rev. Mike Malone.

**Summer Play Dates -** This week is hosted by Michelle Lloyd on Wednesday, 6/14 at Jetton Park.

Please see the Weekly News to sign up to host a Play Date this summer. If you have any questions, see Ally Knox (704) 995-6104.

**Connect Card** - If you are new to NorthCross

and want to connect, or if you have a prayer request, use this QR code and fill out the form online.



**Needs -** If you have any physical, spiritual or monetary needs that you want to seek the church's help with, please reach out to one of the Deacons.

# Daybreak Prayer at 7:30 am:

The session invites us to join in prayer for NorthCross during this time of transition. Please join us Sunday mornings at 7:30 am via Zoom (link is in the Weekly News).

Life Groups meet weekly for fellowship, prayer, service and study. Contact one of the leaders if you would like to attend.

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# NorthCross Church YTD Financial Summary

(for fiscal year 2022/2023; as of April 30, 2023)
Congregation Giving - Actual \$249,449 vs. Budget \$255,833
Expenses (less Missions & Deacon's Fund) - Actual \$221,370 vs. Budget \$263,220
Missions expenses \$17,864 Deacon's Fund expenses \$4,783
Non-restricted cash position \$387,617