

# CCY Connect

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## let it go.

**Janita Ruedy**

In light of recent events, I think we could all use some stress relief! You may not know it, but I love the study of Hebrew words. Biblically, they have so much more meaning than our plain ol' English.

Yom Kippur is known to us as the Day of Atonement. In the Torah, it is written in the plural: Yom Ha-Kippurim, most likely because of the multitude of our transgressions and sins. Back in the day, the process of atonement as described in Leviticus 16, took away the sins of an entire nation. This sin offering was a shadow of Him – our loving Messiah. In Hebrew the sin offering is called Khataah or Chata'ah, which has a double meaning; (1) sin offering and (2) sin. This means that in order for the Messiah to take away our sin, He had to become sin itself. 2 Corinthians 5:21 tells us, "God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God." The sacrifice and the sin bear the same name! Sacrifice bears the name of the sin and the sin bears the name of the sacrifice that takes away the sin.

Messiah is your Khataah – your sin and your savior. Every sin bears His name and every one of our sins belong to Him. Once confessed, our sins no longer belong to us. We must be careful that we don't take them back, as this would be an act of theft! Give to Him that which belongs to Him, that which already bears His name. Let it go and be relieved of the guilt and stress of your sins!

*"For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more." Hebrews 8:12*

## THIS MONTH AT CCY: October

- 3 Christ's Closet
- 4 Senior Connection
- 14 Fall Break - No Wed night activities
- 28 Fall Costume Parade and Contest

## WE ARE SO VERY Grateful

On behalf of the staff and leadership I would like to express our deep gratitude and appreciation for the amazing efforts put forth by Cheri Withington in the children's ministry as a ministry support person. Your heart to serve God and love for His little children is contagious. Your organization and dedication has been a key component in make the children's ministry a success. We thank you for continuing your service as a volunteer.

We love and appreciate you Cheri!

Tori Lambert



# FALL COSTUME PARADE AND CONTEST

10.28.20 | 6:30PM ONWARDS

Fall is my favorite season, I love everything about it. Seeing all the children in their costumes and having fun always puts a big smile on my face. This year to celebrate the fall season CCY will be hosting a Fall Harvest Festival like never before.

Since we weren't able to do the Czech Festival parade and Trunk or Treat we have decided to create an event that combines both events. We want to invite you and your family to dress in your most creative (church friendly) costumes and join us for a costume parade followed by a night of worship. This will be a great time for us to come together as a church family to laugh and join in fellowship together.

Tori Lambert

## SEE YOU THERE!

### SEPT PARTICIPATION AT CCY

DATE	WORSHIP	ONLINE REACH	GEN. GIVING
9.6.20	91	607	\$ 8,036
9.13.20	109	485	\$ 9,670
9.20.20	75	327	\$ 7,805
9.27.20	112	365	\$ 5,527

WEEKLY NEED: \$7,289



### Mike Knight

When our small group began meeting in homes in 2018, we knew the group needed a name to establish our identity. Since our ages are 40 upwards, we kicked around names like "CCY Ancient Ones" and "CCY Dinosaurs", among others. Thankfully, wisdom prevailed, and our small group name became "**The Gathering.**"

Until March 2020, we met continuously on a weekly basis. Our collective focus has been to pray together, taking everything to God and sharing life with one another. And then COVID crashed in on our physical and emotional world. Despite all of the chaos and worldly uncertainty, we knew God didn't wire us to do life alone and that we require **spiritual community**. The Gathering needed to meet, to be together for spiritual strength, physical strength, and emotional strength. We needed to focus on our eternal purpose, and we knew that in being together we could accomplish great things for God.

So here we are once again gathering together...masked up, socially distanced, air hugging, and trying to figure out this fist bump thing.

The Gathering meets bi-weekly on Thursday evenings in the CCY Gathering area to pray together, share life and dessert! We have even conquered the technology hurdle to be able include those outside our physical walls by adding a Zoom option for those who would like to attend but cannot do so in person.

In Matthew 12:30, Jesus tells us "Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters."

**If you have not yet found a small group, we would love for you to join us in person or online!**