

For Such a Time as This

Friday, November 10th

Saturday, November 11th

GCC Women's Weekend 2017

Friday Night's Schedule

Prelude

Opening Welcome

Scripture Reading

Worship through Song

Quiet Time and Prayer

Pastoral Prayer for the Weekend

Worship through Song

Esther 1-4: God's Silent Sovereignty Thunders: Anna Walker

Respond in Worship through Song

Break

Break-out Session Introductions: Sharon Rager, Kristy McClure, Matt Walker

Coffee and Convo with Tyniquo Sturgeon **Resource Table Highlights:** Kristy McClure

Closing Song

Dessert Fellowship Immediately following



Saturday Morning's Schedule

Welcome

Worship through Song

Resource Table Highlights: Kristy McClure

Break-out Session #1

Break-out Session #2

Break

Worship through Song

Resource Table Highlights: Kristy McClure

Esther 5-10: God's Silent Sovereignty Thunders: Pastor Matt Walker

Closing Song

Benediction

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Welcome to **For Such a Time as This**, Geist Community Church's Women's Weekend 2017!

We are **so very glad** you are here for this weekend. Know that **you**, specifically, have been prayed over in advance, and we are anticipating the Spirit of God working this weekend. We are eager and expectant to see how the Lord will change hearts for His Glory these two days.



At any time during this weekend, if you need a few moments of quiet or prayer or just personal reflection, our prayer room is available for you to use. You may come-and-go just for a few moments or for longer - whatever you feel is beneficial to you. Feel free to go in before or after sessions to quiet your heart or respond to the prompting of the Spirit. It is located at the far end of the foyer - follow the sign for prayer room.

Preparing Your Heart

Pray for your own heart right now, that the Lord, through His Spirit, will work. Pray He will keep your heart open to Truth and you will respond accordingly.

Consider reading Psalm 99, and meditating on its Truth to prepare your heart.

If you'd like, use the following questions as a guide for your heart as we start this weekend together.

- 1. What's the biggest stressor in your life right now? Pray God will speak directly to this situation!
- 2. What's the condition of your heart been recently before the Lord?

 Have you sought Him with undivided devotion?

 Consider confessing sins where needed, and asking the Lord to grant you a time of undivided devotion this weekend.

3. What would you like the Lord to do in your life because you are here this weekend?					

Group Prayer Time

Please pray that the Lord would work in mighty ways through our speakers, through our musicians, and The Lord would be glorified and honored this weekend.

For the women in your group, please pray that:

- She would be able to set aside distractions and focus and worship well this weekend
- The Spirit would prepare her heart to hear specific truth
- Through His Spirit, the Lord would speak very clearly and very personally to her
- Through this weekend, her relationships and friendships with the women in our church, or the women she came with, would deepen and grow
- That she would be faithful in responding obediently to whatever the Lord may show her



Break-Out Sessions

Break-out Sessions are scheduled for Saturday morning, and you can pick 2 (of these 3) to attend:

A Survey of Old Testament History: Matt Walker

Understanding Esther in the Grand Storyline of Scripture: Kristy McClure What does Esther have to do with Eve, Moses, Abraham, Saul and Jesus? Come and see how Esther fits into God's grand story of redemptive history!

Beauty: Esther's, God's, Ours: Sharon Rager

This session will take a close-up shot of Esther's beauty, why it was extraordinary and how we can apply her beauty secrets.

Esther 1-4: God's Silent Sovereignty Thunders - NOTES

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Write out some thoughts from this session (what struck you, what challenged you, what encourages you) to help you process this Truth tonight...

 \dots Or perhaps you need to use this time to just pray, and surrender an area of your life to the Lord's Sovereign Control.

You may also use the following questions to help you process this session:

- 1. What struck you the most from this session?
- 2. Is the Lord speaking something to your heart?
- 3. How can you respond in obedience to the Lord to what He is showing you?

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Gratitude Expressed from Anna Walker:

The Lord has brought a **plethora of details** together to make this weekend happen, and we are privileged to serve for His Glory. There are so many people that have used their giftings to help this weekend succeed, and I am so very grateful!

Although it'd be impossible to name everyone, here are a few key people that have served with **large amounts of time and talents**:

Many thanks to **Kristy McClure** for using her extraordinary **administrative skills** to coordinate registration, volunteers, the budget, and the resource table for this weekend! Kristy has gone above and beyond to provide rich, thought-provoking resources, and has spent an **excess amount** of time organizing the resource table and all the other administrative details that make this weekend work well. *Kristy, thank you for taking this on, even when it seems like we just finished last year's resource table.*;-)

Angelia Tenhoor has bent-over-backwards to make this weekend feel special for each woman attending, and her genuine servant's heart has amazed me time and time again. *Angelia, thank you so very much for serving in so many different areas and ways, and for doing it cheerfully, willingly, and sacrificially. Your service is an encouragement and exhortation to my own!*

Many thanks to **Morgan Quick** for her oversight of the decorations for this weekend. Morgan, your work and hours have made this time have such a special feel, and we are so very thankful. *Thanks for doing the décor, and for doing it so beautifully!*

Kristy McClure and Sharon Rager were so willing to teach break-out sessions, and each women shared deeply from their hearts through these sessions. Sharon, your genuine desire to please the Lord is so evident, and my heart was touched hearing the journey the Lord has brought you on the last several months. Thank you for being willing to share with us. Kristy, I can only imagine what's gone on in your own heart as you've prepared to teach on the sovereignty of God — what a weighty topic! Thank you for sacrificing your time to teach.

Sean Gilbertson made these fabulous booklets, and was **so gracious** in all of my graphic design requests. *Sean, thanks for not blocking my emails from your inbox.* ;-)

The Women's Minsitries Coordinator, **Cheri Givan**, was a personal encouragement to me in her grand support of this weekend. Cheri helped coordinate the plethora of details and administrative tasks. *Thank-you for your overwhelming encouragement to me, Cheri...it's so good to serve side-by-side with you.*

Lastly, many thanks to **Matt Walker** for being so willing to share his pastoral heart with us on Saturday morning, and being so willing to allow me to personally serve to help coordinate this weekend. *Matt, you are my favorite pastor and preacher, and my favorite person to serve in ministry with. With love! – Anna*



A plethora of women helped do **set up and tear down and** *everything in between*. My heart is grateful to God for the bountiful willingness to serve that the women of Geist have shown!

Recommended Resources



Refresh - Shona & David Murray

Many women don't realize they're running at an unsustainable pace until it hurts them physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Drawing on many years of counseling and their own experiences of burnout, wife and husband team Shona and David Murray want to help you slow down to a more grace-paced life.



Knowing God - J. I. Packer

J. I. Packer's classic has been an important tool to help Christians around the world discover the wonder, the glory and the joy of knowing God. In 2006, Christianity Today voted this title one of the top 50 books that have shaped evangelicals.



None Like Him - Jen Wilkin

Our limitations are by design. We were never meant to be God. Calling us to embrace our limits as a means of glorifying God's limitless power, Jen Wilkin invites us to celebrate the freedom that comes when we rest in letting God be God.



God's Big Picture - Vaughan Roberts

The Bible is clearly no ordinary book. How can you begin to read and understand it as a whole? In this excellent overview, Vaughan Roberts gives you the big picture--showing how the different parts of the Bible fit together under the theme of the kingdom of God.



Fierce Women - Kimberly Wagner

You may not see yourself as beautifully fierce or even slightly strong, but what if God has placed a powerful fierceness within you, within every woman? Kim admits her fierceness became a source of conflict in her marriage, but the relationship dynamic totally changed when she discovered her fierce strengths could be used to encourage and inspire her husband.



Big Truths for Young Hearts - Bruce A. Ware

With this book, Bruce Ware, (you guessed it!) a theology professor, encourages and enables parents of children 6-14 years of age to teach through the whole of systematic theology at a level their children can understand.



Come Let Us Adore Him - Paul David Tripp

The wonder and awe of the Christmas season can easily get overshadowed by lights, tinsel, bows, and paper—not to mention last-minute trips to the mall and visits to the in-laws. This book of daily readings for the month of December by best-selling author Paul David Tripp will help you slow down, prepare your heart for Jesus.



12 Ways Your Phone Is Changing You - Tony Reinke

Do you control your phone or does your phone control you? Drawing from the insights of numerous thinkers, published studies, and his own research, writer Tony Reinke identifies twelve potent ways our smartphones have changed us—for good and bad.

