

GCFSM SUNDAY

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BREAK DOWN BARRIERS, BUILD BRIDGES

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In the last chapter of Romans, the Apostle Paul made his final remarks commending his emissary to the church in Rome, greeting his many ministry partners, giving one final warning against the enemies of Christ, sending greetings from friends in Corinth and ascribing glory to our only wise God.

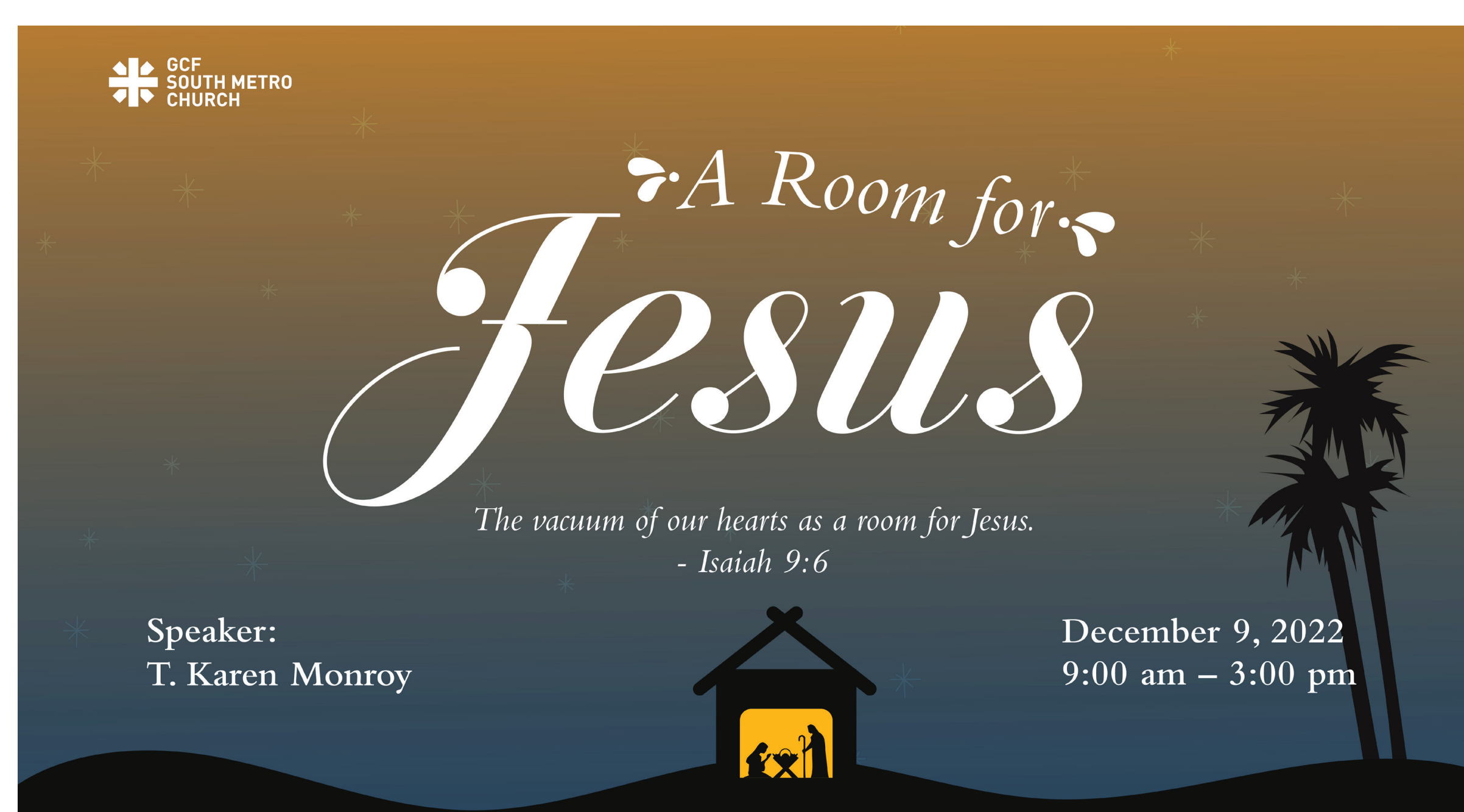
Paul commended Phoebe, a deaconess, for being a great help in his ministry. Phoebe was the one who hand delivered the letter to the believers in Rome (Romans 16:1-2).

Paul greeted 26 specific people and referred to many other ministry partners who met in different house churches in Rome. A couple, Prisca and Aquila risked their lives for Paul. Others worked hard partnering with Paul and even went with him to prison. Paul had not visited Rome. Yet, he was able to build meaningful connections with these people, who must have traveled to key cities of the Roman empire where Paul preached the gospel (Romans 16:3-16).

Paul warned the believers to watch out for enemies of Christ. These people were out to destroy the church community. They caused divisions by promoting different practices and deceived others by teaching false doctrine. He exhorted the believers to keep their obedience to Christ and preserve their good testimony. Paul assured them the God of peace guarantees victory over Satan (Romans 16:17-20).

Paul sent greetings of fellow workers who were with him at Corinth and closed his letter with a benediction. In his benediction, he ascribed all glory to the only wise God who strengthened the believers through their faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ which was the mystery kept secret for long ages but had been revealed to all nations (Romans 16:21-27).

Jesus Christ is coming soon. If we have experienced the power of the gospel in our lives, through the salvation we received when we believed, and the transforming power of the Holy Spirit, we will be convicted to show and share the love and gospel of Jesus Christ with urgency. In this last sermon in our Book of Romans series, The Power of the Gospel, we will be challenged to break down barriers and build bridges to everyone and to anyone without prejudice at every opportunity. ✨



SERMON OUTLINE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **MARRIAGE AND MONEY**
Couples Who Care Ministry
November 27, 2022 | 12-3 PM
Venue: 2nd Floor Lobby
Please register using the QR code or link provided.
- **WHITE**
Year Ender and Thanksgiving
The Hub Ministry
December 3, 2022
4:00 PM
- **A ROOM FOR JESUS**
Women of Grace
December 9, 2022
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

- December 4, 2022
12 Baskets of Christmas Offering
Annual Business Meeting
12:00 NN onwards
- December 24, 2022
Christmas Eve Service
4:30-6:00 PM
- December 25, 2022 and
January 1, 2023
Morning Service - 10:30 AM
Afternoon Service - 4:00 PM

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