The Celebration of Worship and Communion
Transfiguration Sunday
February 26, 2017, 10:30 AM

* Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name."

The Gathering

Introt
"I Love You, Lord" arr. Schrader

Welcome and Announcements
Rev. R. Len Walker

Voluntary
"Fanfare on EIN’ FESTE BURG" James Peteth

Invocation
Rev. Walker

* The Hymn of Praise
"O Worship the King" page 73

Apostles Creed
page 881

Petition and Thanksgiving

Pastoral Prayer
Rev. V. Lamar Helms

Overture and Anthem
"The God who gave us life"
Movement I, The Testament of Freedom
R. Thompson

The Men’s Chorus
The Lord's Prayer

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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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Giving the Bread and the Cup
"Love Divine, All Love Excelling" Robert Hobby

* The Hymn of Invitation
"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"
(Verse 1 & 4) page 614

The Sending

* Benediction
Rev. Walker

* Benediction Response
page 593, refrain

"Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart."

Postlude
"My Heart Rejoices"
David Paxton

* Please stand, if you are able.

Proclamation of the Word and Response

* The Hymn of Preparation
page 618

"Let us break bread together"

Old Testament Reading:
Isaiah 58:1-9a
Rev. Helms

New Testament Reading:
Matthew 5:13-20
Rev. Helms

Sermon
"Salt and Light"
Rev. Helms

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Invocation
Prayer of Confession
Rev. Walker

Have mercy on me, O God. according to Your unfailing love; according to Your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight, so that You are proved right when You speak and justified when You judge.

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me from Your presence or take Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Psalm 51:1-4, 10-12

The Great Thanksgiving (The Hymnal, pp. 13-14)

Today at the Chapel

8:30 AM  Prayer with Senior Chaplain-Chapel 109
8:45 AM  Fellowship Class Coffee-McCormick Hall
9:00 AM  Fellowship SS Class-McCormick Hall
9:00 AM  Grace Walk SS Class-Broyles 102
9:00 AM  Blended Worship Service-Chapel
10:00 AM  Chapel Stand-Around-Cousins Hall
10:30 AM  Seekers SS Class-McCormick Hall
10:30 AM  Ladies Bible Study SS Class-Board Room
10:30 AM  Youth Breakfast Club-Teen Room
10:30 AM  Children’s K-5 Chapel 107
10:30 AM  Children’s 3 & 4 Chapel 106
10:30 AM  Nursery Chapel 101
10:30 AM  Traditional Worship Service-Chapel

Chapel Member Prayer List

At Home: David Holmes, Dan Robertson, Milton Johnson, (Babs Price’s father), Blanch Hann, Waymon Moore, Cathy Scott, Virginia Nickerson, Anne Youmans.

Skilled Nursing: Nancy Cowart’s mother.

Nursing Home: Jewel Duncan, (Kathy Young’s mother), Cobblestone Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center, Moultrie, GA.

Hospice: Martha Adkins, Gold City Personal Care, Dahlonega, Ed Hawkins, (Nancy Pop’s brother), Bob Owen, in home hospice, Brenda Finley, (Ellen Finley’s daughter-in-law).

In Assisted Care: Margie Hunter, Benton House, Alpharetta; Frances Smith, Hallmark at Phipps, Atlanta; Ben Johnson, Mt. Vernon Village, 475 Mt. Vernon Rd., Azon Sandy Springs, GA 30345; Richard Krajeck, 625 Spring Rock Rd., Lawrenceville, GA 30039; Joan Heimbuch, Brightmores of South Charlotte, 10225 Old Ardrey Kell Rd., Charlotte, NC 28277; John Thurman, Garden Plaza, Lawrenceville, GA, Bob Williams, Brookdale Senior Living, Roswell, GA, Dan Robertson, The Oaks at Post Road, 3675 Post Road, Cumming, GA 30040.

Chapel Announcements

During Lent the 9AM Fellowship Sunday School class will study Adam Hamilton’s book, 24 Hours that Changed the World. We’ll begin on April 2nd with no class on Easter Sunday. Everyone is invited to join us for this special study. The books will be available during class time and in the Chapel office during the week.

The Legacy of Caring Gala and Auction will be held at the Churchhouse on Saturday, April 29 from 5:30 PM – 10:00 PM. Please join us for an elegant, fun evening with live and silent auctions and special entertainment by Joe Turner, Magician/Comedian. Tickets, $75 per person (includes buffet dinner with wine), are available online at bigeanoelegacy.org, at Chapel Stand Around today through April 9, and at Guild on March 9 and April 13. Proceeds benefit charitable organizations in Pickens and Dawson counties, focusing on the well-being of women and children.

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Please note:
 The Nursery is available downstairs during the 9:00 & 10:30 am services.
 Remember to turn your cell phones back on at the end of the service!

"Now while He was in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, many people saw the signs He was performing and believed in His name. But Jesus would not entrust Himself to them, for He knew all people. He did not need any testimony about mankind, for He knew what was in each person."

John 2:23-25

In one of his recent daily devotions, J.D. Walt opened with a question that immediately arrested my attention. In fact, it’s the kind of question that moved me to a deep and honest examination of my discipleship. The question was, "Has Jesus entrusted Himself to you?"

Like most people, I tend to think of belief as the response toward the teachings of Jesus. It is the acceptance of a moral and ethical religious framework. Belief forms the principles upon which we live our lives.

Then I was reminded of the correct New Testament meaning of belief. While it is correct that belief signifies some kind of mental or intellectual assent, the word holds a much deeper meaning. It means to have confidence in or to trust. In other words, a person can believe in something without actually demonstrating any confidence or trust in that which is believed. J.D. went on to say, "Trust or faith means belief in action."

This past week in our study of Isaiah we looked at the leadership of King Hezekiah. His story in Isaiah covers chapters 36-39. Under his leadership, Jerusalem is threatened by the mighty Assyrian army. It appears Judah will be swept away by these invaders from the north. Hezekiah is terrified. So what does he do? He receives the word of the Lord and the assurance of the prophet that the nation will be saved. And he fully trusts God for victory.

I'm in full agreement with J.D. Walt. He says, "We think of discipleship as the process by which we grow in our faith and trust in Jesus. What if discipleship is actually the process by which we grow to become the kind of people Jesus can trust?"

Growing in grace,
Len

Welcome!

Big Canoe Chapel is a multi-denominational congregation united in our faith in Jesus Christ as Lord. The Chapel gladly welcomes anyone desiring to become a regular, associate, or fellowship member.