

From the Senior Chaplain

Last Sunday we heard a powerful message on forgiveness. Alex Nsengimana, serving with Samaritan's Purse, shared how God gave him the strength and grace to forgive the man who murdered his grandmother. Alex reminded us of the prayer Jesus has called us to pray, "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." It could be one of the most challenging calls we receive as Christians. Apart from the power of the Holy Spirit it is a call that can never be realized. God's grace enables us to live in the freedom of forgiveness. Bitterness and anger consume the unforgiving heart. In fact, I believe everything in our lives takes on a dim, grayish hue when unforgiveness is harbored in one's spirit. The sky is not so blue, the grass is not so green, and the flowers are not so brilliant.

Alex said something interesting in his testimony. I hope you caught it because it's very important in the life of forgiveness. He said he struggled with the call to forgive for 12 years. Forgiveness did not come easily or quickly. It was not the result of human resolve made in a moment or a prayer offered without tears of anguish. Rather, the Lord led Alex through the truth of His word in such a deep and effective way that Alex finally stepped into the breakthrough of forgiveness. What a miracle! And it was a miracle of resurrection power.

We are once again on the threshold of Lent. It is a season of reflection, meditation, and repentance. We all are encouraged to set aside the time to listen to the speaking voice of God. Prayer and the study of the Bible are the means of grace to be joyfully embraced.

The 40 days of Lent throb with promise. Just as God led Alex to breakthrough and deliverance over 12 years, I believe the Father will lead any sincere believer to a place of revelation and breakthrough in the season of Lent. Let's walk in that expectant faith.

Blessings and peace,
Len

Please note:

- Hearing devices are available from an usher.
- 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!

Wednesday Fellowship February 18, Dinner at 5:45pm

All reservations must be in by noon on Tuesday. We cannot accept walk-ins. Make your reservations on-line (<http://bigcanoechapel.org>) or through Touch-Point and WF e-blast that will arrive in your email on Sunday afternoons, or call the Chapel Office, 706.268.3203.

Dinners are adults \$8, children \$5

Christian Believer: 4:30 Vesper Service: 6:30pm

Menu: Chicken Pot Pie, Cole slaw and rolls

Host: Sunday School Class

First Annual Church Wide Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, February 21st at 9:00 am

Served by our children in Cousins Hall

Cost: Any Donation to Our Children and Youth Ministries

This Week at the Chapel

Mon.	2/16	Blanket Ministry-McCormick Hall	9:00AM
Mon.	2/16	Leadership Big Canoe-Room 107	2:00PM
Mon.	2/16	Board of Trustees-Board Room	2:00PM
Tues.	2/17	Bella Voce-McCormick Hall	9:30AM
Tues.	2/17	i Phone Meeting-McCormick Hall	12:00PM
Tues.	2/17	Communications Committee-Room 107	1:00PM
Tues.	2/17	Benevolence Committee-Board Room	2:30PM
Tues.	2/17	Technology Committee-Room 107	2:45PM
Tues.	2/17	Committee on Committees-S. Group-Rm.1013	3:00PM
Wed.	2/18	Ladies Bible Study-McCormick Hall	9:30AM
Wed.	2/18	Creative Stitchery-Room 101	1:00PM
Wed.	2/18	Property Committee-Room 107	3:00PM
Wed.	2/18	Christian Believer -McCormick Hall	4:30PM
Wed.	2/18	Wednesday Fellowship Dinner-C. Hall	5:45PM
Wed.	2/18	Ash Wednesday Service	6:30PM
Thurs.	2/19	Men's Journey Group-Room 101	8:00AM
Thurs.	2/19	Legacy of Caring Steering Comm.-B. Room	9:30AM
Thurs.	2/19	Men's Chorus Rehearsal	7:00PM
Fri.	2/20	i Phone Meeting-McCormick Hall	12:00PM
Sat.	2/21	Kids Pancake Breakfast-Cousins Hall	9:00AM
Sat.	2/21	AA Meeting-Teen Room	9:00AM
Sun.	2/22	Men's Chorus sings both services	9:00AM



The heartbeat of
the community

Worship Services February 15, 2015

Rev. R. Len Walker, Jr.
Senior Chaplain

Rev. V. Lamar Helms
Associate Chaplain,
Director of Music

Teri Sawyer
Director of Children, Youth
and Family Ministries

James Garner
Chapel Organist

Jack Loudon
Chapel Pianist

Janet Larsen
Assistant Pianist

Dr. Vernon S. Broyles
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"O Lord, You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for Your name's sake lead me and guide me."

Psalm 31:3



The Celebration of Worship

February 15, 2015

Call to Worship “Church in the Wildwood” Pitts

(Please use this quiet time to sign and pass the Friendship Pads.)

Welcome and Announcements Rev. R. Len Walker, Jr.

The Children’s Message (10:30 am) Rev. Walker

There’s a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it’s the Spirit of the Lord; there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we’ll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

Invocation Rev. Walker

* Hymn 715 “Rejoice, the Lord Is King” DARWALL’S 148thTH

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer Rev. V. Lamar Helms
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.

Offertory “Fairest Lord Jesus” Charles Forsberg
The Chapel Choir

* Doxology OLD 100TH

* Offertory Prayer Rev. Walker

**Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me.**

Scripture: John 14:1-11
Minister: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Message “What Is God Like?” Rev. Walker

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.
God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel.**

* Benediction Rev. Walker

* Benediction Response (593, refrain) HERE I AM, LORD
“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 “Fanfare For A New Day” Lani Smith

* Please stand if you are able.

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. Please fill out a membership information card found in the pew card holder and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. The pastor will call this week and schedule a time to meet and answer any questions regarding chapel membership.

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	Worship Service-Chapel
10:00 AM	Chapel Stand-Around-Cousin Hall
10:30 AM	Seekers SS Class-McCormick Hall
10:30 AM	Grace Walk SS Class-Broyles 102
10:30 AM	Youth Breakfast Club-Teen Room
10:30 AM	Children K-5-Chapel 107
10:30 AM	Children 3’s & 4’s-Chapel 106
10:30 AM	Nursery-Chapel 101
10:30 AM	Worship Service-Chapel

Serving Today at the Chapel...

9:00 AM

10:30 AM

Ushers: Bob and Juanita Vaughn Ham and Sandra Gadd
John and Sandy Lipkowitz John and Jean Lomax

Greeters: Dick and Anita Wight Weldon and Liz Wintter

Cart Driver: Keith Scott

Stand-Around: Win and Jan Cates
Ron and Sue Ceravolo

Worship Steward: Charley Vick

Acolytes: Obie Belins
Aaron Belins

Audiovisual Technician: Bob Matthews

Chapel Announcements

The Book Nook is presently collecting books, CD’s, and DVD’s for the traditional Book Nook sale to be held at the Legacy of Caring Marketplace, May 22nd & 23rd. Collection boxes are in the Postal Facility and the Fitness Center for your convenience. Take advantage of these winter days to make a box of items to donate. You may contact Cathy Smith at 706-268-3676 to make arrangements to drop books and large donations at her home. Please, no textbooks or encyclopedias.

Selection Committee-The Committee on Committees has announced the Selection Committee for nomination of the Board of Trustees for 2015. The Committee is Fred Snell and Ed Bingham for Sunday School; Bill Shelnut, Young Families; Gordon Griffith Choir/Music; Dick Girdler, Men’s Fellowship; Sylvia Harnesberger, Women’s Guild, and Judy Anderson Member at large. Please support these members as they work to fill the vacancies on the Board for 2015.

Sympathy

The Chapel family extends it sympathy to the family of Joy Boeke. Joy passed away on February 11th in Kennestone Hospital.

The Chapel family also extends it sympathy to Dick Girdler and family, for the loss of Pat Girdler. Pat passed away February 12th in Piedmont Hospital, Jasper.

Chapel Member Prayer List

House of Grace: Pray for these young girls who have been saved from slavery.

At Home: Phyllis Deane, Jobeth Yarbrough, Frank Garner, Lea Brueckner (daughter of Pat and Lynda Bodelson), Ed Delaney, Bryllie Lundy (granddaughter of Kay and Wayne Page), Waymon Moore, Lynn Fischer (Lee Arthur’s sister, Buffalo, NY), Kathleen Worthy (Susie Brogdon’s sister), Jobeth Yarbrough, Val Doll, Carole Sexton, Kathleen Ingram, Paul Wright, John Slim.

Hospital: Herb Eschen (Sandi Keel’s dad).

Hospice Care: Dawn Bevis, Spartanburg. SC.

Rehab: Grady Ireland (Heather Golden’s father).

In Assisted Care: Betty Laughlin, Arbor Terraces, Decatur; Martha Adkins, Gold City Personal Care, Dahlonega; Chalmas Holmes, Sonshine Manor Personal Care, Jasper; Richard Krajec, Rock Creek Manor, Jasper; Margie Hunter, Chambrel, Roswell; Ben Johnson, Mt. Vernon Village, 475 Mt. Vernon Rd., A201, Sandy Springs, GA 30338; Frances Smith, Hallmark at Phipps, Atlanta; Fred Hill, Pacifica Senior Living, Roswell, GA; Mike Giles, Brookdale at Canton, 125 Riverstone Terrace, Canton, GA 30114; M. J. Davis, The Oaks @ Hampton, 5610 Hampton Park Dr., Cumming, GA 30041.