

From the Senior Chaplain

“Now pay attention; I am standing at the door and knocking. If any of you hear My voice and open the door, then I will come in to visit you and to share a meal at your table, and you will be with Me.”

Revelation 3:20
The Voice

The promise found in this verse from Revelation is one of rich and intimate communion with the God of the universe. I've always sensed it's a promise of supernatural refreshment and encouragement. It speaks of heart to heart involvement. It's the place where we often plunge into the depths and riches of Scripture. The presence of Jesus, as promised in this one verse, is life changing.

The image of the door has always intrigued me. Essentially, a door has two purposes. It either provides an open entrance or it assures privacy and isolation. It seems to me that Jesus clearly indicates that one's life can be open and receptive to His presence or shut off in rebellion and self-centeredness. But why does the Father seek entrance? Remember the promise of Jesus in John 10:10? He declared, “I have come that you might have life and have it to the full!” An open life door welcomes the fullness of life!

I trust the various spiritual disciplines emphasized during Lent are being embraced in your heart and mind. Don't let the distractions of everyday life rob you of the blessing of intimacy with the Father. He knocks at the door. Scripture, prayer, fasting, meditation, and worship guide us into a deeper walk with the One who loves us with an everlasting love. Set a place at the table for Jesus! Welcome Him with joy! We will discover once again that His presence changes everything. Thanks be to God.

Blessings and peace,
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. 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.

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!

Mission Moment

Mission Music Kiev

Roger and Diane McMurrin will speak at the Big Canoe Chapel on March 15th. They will have a Mission Moment at both services and will talk to the two Sunday School classes.

They have lived in Kiev Ukraine for twenty years. Roger was invited to come to Kiev to conduct Handel's Messiah, the orchestra made up of musician's and singers who had been deprived of their faith, and hearing sacred masterpieces. Their music was a huge success, and the McMurrins realized their lives would never be the same, and felt the Lord was calling them to Kiev.

Diane formed a mission to deliver food to twenty widows without children, through the church they had built. Currently, Music Mission serves 350 widows who have all come to know the Lord.

Diane is also involved with an orphanage where she taught English and Bible studies.

They began the Christian Children's Club, teaching the Bible in public schools. The Ukrainian Gov. in 2008, adopted a Bible curriculum based on Christian ethics to be taught in the schools.

You are welcomed to come to a Sunday School class to hear more from these special people.

Big Canoe Chapel has supported the McMurrins for many years through our Mission Committee. Several members of our Congregation have visited them in Kiev.

This Week at the Chapel

Mon. 3/16	Blanket Ministry workday-McCormick H.	9:00AM
Mon. 3/16	Leadership Big Canoe-Room 107	2:00PM
Mon. 3/16	Board of Trustees-Board Room	2:00PM
Tues. 3/17	Bella Voce -McCormick Hall	9:30AM
Tues. 3/17	Selection Committee-Room 101	10:00AM
Tues. 3/17	Benevolence Committee-Board Room	2:30PM
Wed. 3/18	Ladies Bible Study-McCormick Hall	9:30AM
Wed. 3/18	Creative Stitchery-Room 101	1:00PM
Wed. 3/18	Property Committee-Room 107	3:00PM
Wed. 3/18	Christian Believer Study-McCormick Hall	4:30PM
Wed. 3/18	Vespers Service-Chapel	5:45PM
Wed. 3/18	Stephen Minister Training-Room 101	6:00PM
Thurs. 3/19	Men's Journey Group -Room 101	8:00AM
Thurs. 3/19	Legacy of Caring Steering Comm.-B. Room	9:30AM
Thurs. 3/19	Men's Chorus Rehearsal	7:00PM
Fri. 3/20	Blood Drive-McCormick Hall	7:30AM
Sat. 3/21	AA Meeting-Teen Room	9:00AM
Sun. 3/22	Men's Chorus sings both services	9:00AM



The heartbeat of
the community

Worship Services March 15, 2015

“Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.”

Mark 8:34b

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The Celebration of Worship Fourth Sunday in Lent March 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

The Commissioning of Missionaries

Leader
All who take upon themselves the name of Christ are called into ministries of love and service by the example of Christ. As these members of our community begin their work among the people of Ecuador, we pray the blessings of God and this community upon their endeavors.

All
We recognize you as ambassadors of this congregation in ministry with the people of Ecuador and dedicate you to service in the name of Jesus Christ. Through our prayers we will be united with you in your work. May God richly bless your labors.

Mission Moment Mission Music Kiev

Invocation Rev. Walker

* Hymn 622 “There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood”
CLEANSING FOUNTAIN

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 “Lamb of God” Paris/Courtney
The Chapel Choir

* Offertory Response (298) HAMBURG
Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

* Offertory Prayer Rev. Walker

Soloist
This is holy ground, we’re standing on holy ground; For the Lord is present and where His is is holy. This is holy ground, we’re standing on holy ground; For the Lord is present and where His is is holy.

All
These are holy hands, He’s given us holy hands; He works through these hands and so these hands are holy. These are holy hands, He’s given us holy hands; He works through these hands and so these hands are holy

We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb; We will glorify the Lord of Lords, who is the great “I Am.”

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty, we will bow before His throne; We will worship Him in righteousness, we will worship Him alone.

Message “The Demand of the Cross” Rev. Walker
Mark 8:34-35

* Hymn 424 “Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone” MAITLAND

* 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 “Go To Dark Gethesame” arr. Robert Graham

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-Cousins 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
3:00 PM	Cherub Choir-Cousins Hall
3:30 PM	Chapel Kids-Cousins Hall

Serving Today at the Chapel...

9:00 AM 10:30 AM

Ushers: Dan and Judy Bellenger Roger and Elaine Estill
Sue Leonard Roger and Eve Bartlett
Shelby Collins

Greeters: Chuck and Linda Lee Gordon Weldon and Liz Wintter

Cart Driver: David Fussell

Stand-Around: Brian and Lynn Roberts
Bill and Nancy Robinson

Worship Steward: Charley Vick

Acolyte: Grace Resetar
Isabella Sawyer

Audiovisual Technician: Win Cates

Chapel Announcements

Ladies Legacy Luncheon and Accessory Auction, sign up tomorrow, April 22, from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Broyles Center. Proceeds from the live and silent auctions will benefit the Abba House, Dawsonville and the North Georgia Pregnancy Center, Jasper. Make your reservations by **signing the list at the Women’s Guild Alpha Box on Monday, March 16th** between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm. Attendance is limited to 80, after which a waiting list will begin. Price of admission is a tax deductible contribution of a new ladies accessory with a minimum retail value of \$45. Collection of these accessories will take place on Tuesday, March 24th from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Gathering Place at the Clubhouse. Questions? Call Rosemary Richie at 706-579-2457.

The 2015 Legacy of Caring Gala, “At the Hop,” will be held Friday, May 15th at the Club House, starting at 5:30 pm. Tickets will be on sale at the **Women’s Guild meeting on April 9th**; sales will continue at Stand Around each Sunday, or buy your tickets online at bigcanoelegacy.org. Cost of tickets is \$75.00 per person. Invite your friends and neighbors to join you for an evening of great food, good fun, the music we all love, and as always, the Live and Silent Auctions. All proceeds from the Gala and Auctions will benefit charities in Pickens and Dawson counties through the Big Canoe Chapel Women’s Guild Legacy of Caring initiatives.

Collectors’ Corner will be accepting donations on March 28th at the storage facility behind Northgate Station from 10:00am until noon. Look around your home for decorative items, lamps, dishes, drapes and such that you can donate. Furniture items must be able to be lifted and moved by one **person. The Collectors’ Corner will be held at the Legacy of Caring Marketplace** on May 22nd and 23rd. Call Verna Rauschenberg 706-579-2249 or Diane LaCharite 706-268-1252 with questions.

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. 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.

Chapel Member Prayer List

Abba House: Pray for these women to be free from addiction.

At Home: Phyllis Deane, Frank Garner, Lea Brueckner (daughter of Pat and Lynda Bodelson), Ed Delaney, Bryllie Lundy (granddaughter of Kay and Wayne Page), Waymon Moore, Lynn Fischer (sister of Lee Arthurs, Buffalo, NY), Kathleen Worthy (sister of Susie Brogdon), Kathleen Ingram, Val Doll, Louise Dodd, Dianne Ward.

Hospice Care: Dawn Bevis, Spartanburg, SC.

Hospital: Jobeth Yarbrough, Mayo Clinic, (FL).

Rehab: Grady Ireland (father of Heather Golden); Way Kidd, North Fulton Rehab.

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**, Brookdale, 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; **Bonnie Martin**, Brookdale, Roswell.