

From the Senior Chaplain

“The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: ‘Before the rooster crows today, you will disown Me three times.’ And he went outside and wept bitterly.”

Luke 22:61-62

Few can imagine the depth of grief Peter experienced after his third denial of Jesus. The Lord predicted it but Peter was firm in his resolve to remain loyal regardless of the threats of Jesus’ enemies. This disciple’s brash promise was, “Lord, I am ready to go with You to prison and to death.” And then there was utter failure. Luke’s gospel says that Jesus looked straight at Peter at the moment of the third denial. What type of look was it? Commentators have speculated throughout the centuries. I sense it was the look of disappointed pain. Suddenly Peter was confronted with his weakness and failure. How could life ever be the same again?

However, the look of Jesus directed at Peter was not a look absent from the eternal love of God. Maybe that’s what made the look of Jesus so devastating. Perhaps Peter was suddenly aware of the fact that although he had failed his Lord, he was still loved with an everlasting love. I have always had the sense that Peter never forgot that look. No, it wasn’t a look of condemnation. It wasn’t a look of abandonment. It was the look of the Savior that said, “You have failed and failed miserably but I love you still.”

The Bible reminds us, “All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.” Most of us can remember a moment of spiritual weakness. Maybe that weakness led to failure. Does the hurt of that failure linger? Did it linger for Peter? I’m certain it did. So what happened? How could Peter be free from the guilt of such disloyalty?

The denial was three-fold and the restoration was three-fold. “Simon son of John, do you truly love Me?” It was asked three times and with each response of Peter, Jesus assured him of participation in the ministry of the kingdom. But there’s more. Several months later, Peter will preach, three thousand will be saved, and the church will be birthed. He didn’t give up on Peter and He doesn’t give up on you or me. Thanks be to God!

Grace 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!

MOVIE NIGHT-April 15

Men's Fellowship sponsored Movie Night "God's Not Dead", free Hamburgers and Hot Dogs, please be sure and register at Stand-Around, in the Chapel Office, or online.

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.

SERMON NOTES

This Week at the Chapel

Tues.	3/31	Bella Voce -McCormick Hall	9:30AM
Wed.	4/01	Creative Stitchery-Room 101	1:00PM
Wed.	4/01	Stephen Minister Training-Room 107	5:00PM
Thurs.	4/02	Men's Journey Group -Room 101	8:00AM
Thurs.	4/02	Artist Group-McCormick Hall	10:00AM
Thurs.	4/02	Maundy Thursday Service-Chapel	7:00PM
Thurs.	4/02	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	8:15PM
Fri.	4/03	Good Friday Service-Chapel	7:00PM
Sat.	4/04	AA Meeting-Teen Room	9:00AM
Sun.	4/05	Chapel Choir sings both services	9:00AM

The heartbeat of
the community



Palm Sunday
The Celebration of Communion
March 29, 2015

Rev. R. Len Walker, Jr.
Senior Chaplain

Rev. V. Lamar Helms
Associate Chaplain,
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Teri Sawyer
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“The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.”

Psalm 118: 22-23



**The Celebration of Worship and Communion
Palm Sunday
March 29, 2015**

Voluntary “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” M. Burkhardt
(Please use this quiet time to sign and pass the Friendship Pads.)

Welcome and Announcements Rev. R. Len Walker

Invocation Rev. V. Lamar Helms

* Hymn 280 “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” ST. THEODULPH

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

Pastoral Prayer Teri Sawyer

Offertory “How Deep the Father’s Love For Us” S. Townend
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

* Worship Chorus 405 “Seek Ye First” SEEK YE

Message “Don’t Miss This!” Rev. Walker
Luke 19:41-44

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist
Invitation

Confession and Pardon

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole
heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We
have not done your will, we have broken your law, we
have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our
neighbors as ourselves, and we have not heard the cry
of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful
obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Minister: Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s
love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

All: **Glory to God. Amen**

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

The Lord’s Prayer

**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 tres-
passes, 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

* Hymn 451 “Be Thou My Vision” SLANE
(Verses 1 and 3)

* 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 peo-
ple in my heart.”**

* Postlude All Glory, Laud, and Honor M. Burkhardt

* Please stand, if you are able.

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 eekers 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: Jerry and Catherine Capps Robert and Judy Allen
Bob and Lynn Cooper Clayton and Lynn Burns

Communion Servers: Tom and Jayne Greene
Chapel Youth Group
Marilynn Walker
Sylvia Helms

Greeters: Jack and Glenda Mitchell Dennis and Betina Shearer

Cart Driver: Wes Connelly

Stand-Around: Jack and Joy Dykes
Wayne and Judy Erickson

Worship Steward: Charley Vick

Acolytes: Caitlin Calhoun
Angelina Casey

Audiovisual Technician: Paul Wright

Chapel Announcements

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 go 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 tick-ets 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 April 18th 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 La-Charite 706-268-1252 with questions.

Dinner for 8...it is that time again to join a new group to share dinner, fun times and great conversation! This is a great way to meet new friends and enjoy an evening together. Even if you have been in Big Canoe a long time or just got here, this is a great way to meet new people or get to know friends better. Dinner for 8 groups will begin again in May and go through August. If you would like to join a new group, please call Susan Willson at (706.579.2640) or email her at (eliz8190@yahoo.com) with your names, phone number and email address. There will only be one opportunity, April 12th, during **Stand-Around to sign up...so give her a call if this date doesn’t fit** your schedule! Lists will be put in alpha boxes as soon after May 4th as possible.

Flowers in the Chapel today

...are given by David and Peggy Howe in memory of their son, Andrew Turner on his birthday, April 4th.

Chapel Member Prayer List

Appalachian Children’s Center: Pray for abused children in our communities.

At Home: Phyllis Deane, Frank Garner, Lea Brueckner (daughter of Pat and Lynda Bodelson), Ed Delaney, Brylie Lundy (granddaughter of Kay and Wayne Page), Waymon Moore, Lynn Fischer (sister of Lee Arthurs, Buffalo, NY), Kathleen Worthy (sister of Susie Brogdon), Val Doll, Kath-leen Ingram, Dianne Ward, Louise Dodd, Carole Sexton, Pauline Hack-ney, **Jim and Connie Pollner’s son, Grady Ireland (Heather Golden’s fa-ther),** Cherry Harden, David Keller, Way Kidd.

Hospice Care: Dawn Bevis, Spartanburg. SC.

Mayo Clinic: Jobeth Yarbrough, (Florida).

Hospital: Nancy Cowart, Piedmont Mountainside.

In Assisted Care: Betty Laughlin, Arbor Terraces, Decatur; **Martha Adkins,** Gold City Personal Care, Dahlonga; **Chalmas Holmes,** Son-shine Manor Personal Care, Jasper; **Richard Krajec,** Rock Creek Manor, Jasper; **Margie Hunter,** Brookwood, 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 Ter-race, Canton, GA 30114; **M. J. Davis,** The Oaks @ Hampton, 5610 Hamp-ton Park Dr., Cumming, GA 30041; **Bonnie Martin,** Brookdale, Roswell; **Betty Hickman,** St. Anne’s Terrace, Atlanta; **Bill Berry,** The Oaks, Post Road, Cumming.