

From the Senior Chaplain

I became familiar with James S. Stewart while attending seminary. He pastored three churches in Scotland and served as professor of New Testament at the University of Edinburgh. He has written several books of sermons including, The Strong Name. Recently, I re-read his four part sermon series on, "God And The Fact Of Suffering."

I suppose there have been thousands of books written on the mystery of suffering. Since entering the ministry, I've read many myself. Like you, I have struggled through what seems to be a deep and troubling spiritual riddle. Why does God allow suffering and tragedy? Why didn't He step in and stop a gunman in Aurora, Colorado? Why does disease like cancer continue to ravage the lives of so many? I have come to deeply appreciate a conclusion of Dr. Stewart. He writes,

"Man's main concern with the dark fact of suffering is not to find an explanation: it is to find a victory. It is not to elaborate a theory: it is to lay hold upon a power. That, in the last resort, is the real demand of the human spirit—not the explaining of this thing, but grace and help to bear it. And that is why God gave us Christ."

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!"

Grace and peace,

Len

Welcome Guests!

Big Canoe Chapel is a multi-denominational congregation united in our faith in Jesus Christ as Lord. We're dedicated to showing His love through worship, fellowship, outreach, and welcoming guests or those new to the community. For more information, please contact one of our chaplains or Stephens Ministers after the service, or call the Chapel office (706.268.3203).

Women's Bible Study on "Jonah" starts September 12, 2012. Call Lynda Case to sign up (706.579.1674).

Wonderful Wednesday Coming September 12th! Put this very important date on your calendar!

Musica Variata "Sentimental Journey," *Bella Voce* on Broadway, Sunday September 16th, 5:00pm. Plan now to invite your friends for this fabulous fundraising concert for our Musica Variata Concert Series!

Dinner for 8! That wonderful Chapel tradition is beginning again for the last half of 2012. It is time to sign up to dine on delicious food with great new friends and stimulating conversations getting to know each other. Sign up will begin at Stand-Around every Sunday in August or call Susan Willson at (706.579.2640) or e-mail at eliz8190@yahoo.com

Last Terrace Concert of the Year is Aug. 25th. Please join us at the Terraces to hear **Kurt Thomas, winner of the Kenny Chesney Next Big Star award.** Kurt and his band will be performing at 7:30 playing current country hits and music from his own albums. Kurt is from Dahlonega and spends time in Nashville and the Atlanta areas performing his ballads and country music. Join us and you could say, "I saw Kurt at the Terraces before he made it on the big stage!" Advance sale tickets can be purchased at the Terraces alpha box for \$15.00 and at Stand-Around. Tickets are also available at the gate.

Special Condolences To

Barbara Hill for the loss of her brother who lived in South Georgia;

David Thompson for the loss of his father in South Africa;

Duane Sichveland for the loss of his mother who lived in Marietta, Georgia

This Week's Chapel Calendar

Mon.	8/13	Men's Fellowship Golf-Room 107	9:00am
Mon.	8/13	Personnel Committee Meeting-Board Room	2:15pm
Tues.	8/14	Personnel Related Meeting-Board Room	9:00am
Tues.	8/14	<i>Bella Voce</i> -McCormick Hall	9:30am
Tues.	8/14	Technology Committee Meeting-Room 107	2:45pm
Wed.	8/15	Creative Stitchery-Room 101	1:00pm
Thurs.	8/16	Mission Meeting-Room 102	8:00am
Thurs.	8/16	Chapel Choir Rehearsal-McCormick Hall	7:00pm
Fri.	8/17	Watson/Watson Wedding Rehearsal	5:00pm
Sat.	8/18	AA Meeting-Teen Room	9:00am
Sat.	8/18	Watson/Watson Wedding	6:00pm
Sun.	8/19	Chapel Worship Service	9:00am
Sun.	8/19	Chapel Choir sings Both Services	9:00am
Sun.	8/19	Adult Sunday School	9:00am
Sun.	8/19	Chapel Stand-Around	10:00am
Sun.	8/19	50 th Wedding Celebration at Stand-Around	10:00am
Sun.	8/19	Sunday School for all	10:30am
Sun.	8/19	Chapel Worship Service	10:30am
Sun.	8/19	Board of Trustees Meeting-Board Room	11:45am

Chapel Member Prayer List

Adele Westall, home; Emily Thurman, surgery; Katie St. Clair, tests, Palmetto Richmond Hospital in South Carolina; Fred Shaw; Linda Schneider, undergoing testing; Gene Boeke; Jayne Beske; Margaret Anderson; Jobeth Yarbrough, home; Gloria Schaefer, Piedmont, Atlanta; Larry Brogdon, home

In Assisted Care

Betty Laughlin, Arbor Terraces, Decatur, GA
Martha Adkins, Gold City Personal Care, Dahlonega, GA
Bill Almand, The Veranda, Roswell, GA
Jean Payne, Grandview, Jasper, GA
Vivian Macdonald, Rock Creek Manor, Jasper
(Jean Ann Miller's mother)
Margie Hunter, Ben Johnson, Chambrel at Roswell, GA

Big Canoe Chapel would like to welcome new members Gary and Judy Anderson. Gary and Judy live at 879 Chula Drive.

Flowers today in the Chapel are in celebration of our 39th Wedding Anniversary Bill and Peggy Nelson

The Celebration of Worship

August 12, 2012

Call to Worship “Church in the Wildwood” Sam Holmes
and “The Church’s One Foundation”

“...and I will continue to rejoice...” Phil. 1:18b

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

Welcome Rev. R. Len Walker Jr.

Voluntary Variants on “OLIVET” Thygeron

Psalm 145:8-21 (The Hymnal, p. 857-8) Rev. V. Lamar Helms

Introit “God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale”

Bella Voce Women’s Choir Jaroslav Vajda

“God of the sparrow God of the whale God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe How does the creature say Praise
God of the rainbow God of the cross God of the empty grave
How does the creature say Grace How does the creature say Thanks
God of the ages God near at hand God of the loving heart
How do your children say Joy How do your children say Home”

Invocation Rev. Walker

* Hymn 715 “Rejoice, the Lord Is King” DARWALL

+ The Children’s Message (10:30 am)

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer Rev. 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 “Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You” J. Althouse

“Lord, I stretch my hands to you; no other help I know.
If you should leave me all alone, where then shall I go?
Oh, Lord. I give my soul to you. I seek your care and love.
No other blessings so I need but those from you above.
Lord, I ask you: give me faith, and help me understand.
And Lord, when I this life shall leave just hold me in your heart.”

* Doxology OLD 100TH

* Offertory Prayer Rev. Walker

* Hymn 577 “God of Grace and God of Glory” RHONDDA

* Scripture: Philippians 1:12-19
Minister: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “One Who Overcomes Fear” Rev. Walker

* Hymn 708 “Rejoice in God’s Saints” HANOVER

* Benediction

* Benediction Response 71 “**Glory be to the Father and to
the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the
beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without
end. Amen. Amen.**”

Rev. R. Len Walker Jr.
Senior Chaplain

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

Nancy Smith
Organist/Music Associate,
Dir. of Christian Education

Postlude “Postlude in C” Purcell

* Please stand, if you are able.

+ On the last verse of the hymn, children are invited to join Rev. Walker
for the Children’s Message.
Hearing devices are available from an usher.
Nursery is available downstairs during 9:00am and 10:30am services

Today at the Chapel

9:00 am Adult Sunday School

9:00 am Worship Service

10:00 am Stand-Around

10:30 am Sunday School for All Ages

10:30 am Worship Service

Sam Holmes
Chapel Pianist

Dr. Vernon S. Broyles
Founding Chaplain

Dr. Jimmy Allen
Chaplain Emeritus

Dr. James McCormick
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Ushers

9:00 am

Dick and Pat Girdler
Ches and June Tredway

10:30 am

Joe and Mary Jane Childs
Neal and Millann Funk

Stand-Around

Judd and Lassie Dye
Herman and Valerie Doll

Sound Technician

Dave Jacobs