

A Bond of Gold

Joyce and I will be moving away, but we will still be with you. John Donne, seventeenth century cleric and poet, in a farewell to his wife (A Valediction: Forbidding Mourning) insisted that though separated, they would still be together. He compared their relationship to gold, which is so wonderfully malleable that it can be hammered “to airy thinness.” The opposite edges of such gold leaf “endure not yet a breach but an expansion.”

Though away from you, a bond of gold will hold us together. The name of the gold is love—our love for you, yours for us. But the gold is also a love far larger and deeper than our own. “Who shall separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord?” Nothing—nothing!—will break that bond of purest gold.

Joyce joins me in deep thanks to you for every expression of appreciation. We thank you for your generous love gift and for many words of care and support. We have been drawn to this wonderful, continuing experiment in Christian unity. Our prayers will be for a deepening sense of the Lordship of Christ and his love which unifies.

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The First Sunday in Christmastide

January 1, 2012

Call to Worship “Church in the Wildwood”
“...serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.”
I Peter 4:10b
(Please use this time to sit reflectively, observing silence)
(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad)

Welcome Dr. Dan Whitaker

Voluntary “Sheep May Safely Graze” J. S. Bach

Psalm 8 (The Hymnal, pp. 743-744)

Introit “Rocking” Czech Carol
Lamar Helms, solo

Invocation Rev. Lamar Helms

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

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer Dr. Dan Whitaker
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 and ever. Amen.

Offertory “That Beautiful Name” Mable J. Camp
Janet Larsen, piano arr. By Dick Torrans

*Doxology OLD 100TH

*Offertory Prayer Rev. Helms

*Hymn 400 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” NETTLETON

Scripture: I Peter: 4:8-10 Dr. Whitaker

Minister: The Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “The Secret Ministries” Dr. Whitaker

*Hymn 557 “Bless Be the Tie That Binds” DENNIS

*Benediction Dr. Whitaker

*Benediction Response 557, vs. 3, “**We share each other’s woes, our mutual burdens bear; and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.**”

Postlude “Noel Etranger” C.Daquin

* Please stand, if you are able.

† Late arrivals may be seated.

Hearing assistance devices are available from an usher.

Nursery is available downstairs in the chapel for both 9:00am and 10:30am services.

Today at the Chapel

Chapel Worship Service 10:00am

Ushers

10:00AM

Fred and Carol Snell

Pat Tipton

Charlie Vick

No Stand Around Today

Chapel Announcements

AARP Defensive Driving course will be offered Saturday, Jan. 14th, in the lower level of the Broyles Center from 8:30am to 3:00pm. Call Carol Coogler if you wish to register, 706.570.1747.

GriefShare is a 13 week grief support group, starting on Jan. 9, 2012 and ending on April 9, 2012. We will meet every Monday from 5PM to 6:30PM in Room 102 in the lower level of the Broyles Center. Contact Sandra Hintze (706.579.2248) for more information.

I want to offer anyone interested two books of mine for sale. The price---\$16.00---covers only my cost, for printing and shipping. They are available at the Chapel office. (See bulletin insert for a description of the books.)

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The Chapel would like to thank all of the members that participated in the Christmas Blessings Program- the response was over-whelming---39 Individuals, Sunday School Classes, Book Clubs and Men's Fellowship shopped and donated funds, 29 drivers delivered gifts, 37 families in Pickens and Dawson counties were beneficiaries of gifts, a personalized Bible, and a Kroger food gift certificate. 21 Foster Children from Pickens and Dawson counties were delivered clothes and toys from 10 drivers to DFCS. What a Blessing to be able to make this all happen.

Our Sympathy goes to,

Herb Belins, his mother Clara M. Belins passed away 12/27

Barbara Kutch, her husband Walt Kutch, passed away 12/22, send condolences to Barbara@3570 Zanzibar Way, Naples, FL 34119

This Week's Chapel Calendar

Mon:	1/02 Chapel Office closed	
Tues.	1/03 Bella Voce Rehearsal & Party	9:00am
Tues.	1/03 Tour of Homes Meeting-Rm 107	2:00pm
Tues.	1/03 Personnel Committee-Board Room	2:15pm
Tues.	1/03 Men's Fellowship Meeting-Room 107	3:00pm
Wed.	1/04 Men's Group-Teen Room	8:00am
Wed.	1/04 Mother's Morning Out-SS Rooms	9:30am
Wed.	1/04 Stephen Ministers-Chapel	6:30pm
Thurs.	1/05 Artists Group Meeting-McCormick Hall	9:30am
Thurs.	1/05 Mother's Morning Out-SS Rooms	9:30am
Fri.	1/06 Wedding Rehearsal-Chapel	4:00pm
Fri.	1/06 Personnel Comm-Board Room	9:00am
Sat.	1/07 AA Meeting-Teen Room	9:00am
Sat.	1/07 Wedding-Chapel	4:00pm
Sun.	1/08 Bella Voce Women's Choir Sings Both Services	8:00am
Sun.	1/08 Fellowship Sunday School Class Resumes	9:00am
Sun.	1/08 Chapel Service	9:00am
Sun.	1/08 Adult, Youth Children's SS Resumes	10:30am
Sun.	1/08 Chapel Service	10:30am

Dr. Dan Whitaker, Interim
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Chapel Prayer List

Carl Heidbreder, Canton Nursing Home, therapy
Charlotte Jackson, Piedmont, Mountainside
Dale Carter@ Bobbie Garner's Atl condo
Ron Ceravolo, Knee replacement-P.Mtns., 12/27
Jayne Greene, back surgery, 1/5 Cartersville
Frank Garner, home
Jayne Beske, home
Margaret Anderson, home
Sybil Underwood, Heritage Healthcare of Jasper, GA
Betty Laughlin, Assisted Living, Arbor Terraces, Decatur, GA
Martha Adkins, Gold City Personal Care, Dahlongega, GA
Bill Almand, Heritage of Sandy Plains, 3039 Sandy Plains Rd, Marietta, 30066

Special Announcement

Congratulations to Roy and Jude Weidman, proud grandparents of new granddaughter, Emily Ann born December 16th.