

From the Senior Chaplain

On Wednesday afternoon I began a Bible Study by J. I. Packer entitled, "Meeting God." I mentioned to the group that I found it interesting that the Women's Guild Bible study for the past few months has been "Experiencing God" by Henry Blackaby. It is a wonderful study focused upon seeing the hand of God in every aspect of our lives. Then I remembered a classic that I read many years ago by A. W. Tozer entitled, The Pursuit of God. These are just several examples reflecting the hunger of the human heart to know God in a deeper and more profound way. I was also reminded of the cry of the psalmist in Psalm 42;

"As the deer pants for streams of water,
so my soul pants for you, O God.
My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.
When can I go and meet with God"

The season of Lent is traditionally centered upon sacrifice and the intentional release of those things that can be spiritually disruptive. Lent calls us to prayerful introspection and examination. It certainly should be a time of intentional and disciplined spiritual formation. Whether it's fasting, prayer, solitude or sacrifice, there is usually something of significant spiritual value when we sincerely and prayerfully, "give up."

However, there are those things we need to "run to" during Lent. Perhaps a deeper knowledge of God should be primary. Not an informational knowledge but an intimate and life transforming knowledge of the living Lord. Father, let it be.

Grace and peace,
Len

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 18, 2012

Call to Worship "Church in the Wildwood and "Were You There" Sam Holmes

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

Welcome Rev. R. Len Walker Jr.

Voluntary "Who Trusts in God, A Strong Abode" Bach/Manz

Psalm 126 (The Hymnal, p. 847) Rev. V. Lamar Helms

Introit "Pie Jesu" from *Requiem* A. Webber
The Chapel Choir; Kay Smith, Bunny Loftman, soloists

Pie Jesu, qui tollis peccata mundi, Blessed Jesus, who takes away the sins of the world,
Dona eis requiem, Give us rest.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
Dona eis requiem sempiternam. Grant to us everlasting rest.

Invocation Rev. Helms

* Hymn (Insert) "Love Divine, All Love Excelling" HYFRYDOL

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

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 "E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come" P. Manz
(Chapel Choir)

Peace be to you and grace from him/Who freed us from our sins.
Who loved us all and shed His blood/That we might saved be.
Sing holy, holy to our Lord,/The Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;/Sing holy, holy Lord!
Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,/Rejoice on earth,
ye saints below,

For Christ is coming, is coming soon,/For Christ is coming soon!
E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,/And night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,/For Christ will be their All!

* Offertory Response 298, v. 4 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. Helms

* Hymn 521 "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" SOJOURNER

* Scripture: John 11:17-27 Rev. Walker
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "There Was a Second Funeral" Rev. Walker

* Hymn 518 "O Thou in Whose Presence" DAVIS
(Vv. 1, 2, 4 & 5)

* Benediction Rev. Walker

* Benediction Response 298 v.1 HAMBURG
When I survey the wondrous cross,
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Postlude "That Man a Godly Life Might Live" BWV 679, J. S. Bach

* 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

9:00am Adult Sunday School
9:00am Worship Service
10:00am Stand-Around
10:30am Sunday School for All Ages
10:30am Worship Service

Ushers

9:00 AM

Jud and Lassie Dye
Bill and Rosemary Wilson

10:30 AM

Bob and Quida Ames
Mike and Charlene Ehrlich

Stand-Around

Fred and Carol Snell
Bill and Peggy Lehmborg

Chapel Announcements

The Broyles Mission Conference was a great success because of you and your enthusiastic participation! Our goal of raising \$60,000 was met, including pledges not yet paid. Thank you for your generosity. For those of you who still want to contribute, please drop your pledge card or check off at the Chapel Office.

Board of Trustees Nomination – There is an insert in this bulletin to make nominations for the Big Canoe Chapel Board of Trustees. The congregation will be selecting five new Board members, each to serve three-year terms as Trustees. Nominations are due by March 23 and can be placed in the collection plate or returned to the Chapel office.

Tour of Homes Sale – The Women’s Guild is hosting a presale of ferns and mint at Stand-Around. Ferns are \$17; Mint is \$4 for a 5 ½ inch pot. Make check payable to BCCWG.

Twilight at the Terraces – Tickets for the upcoming Twilight at the Terraces concert series will be on sale today at Stand-Around.

Book Nook – Please donate your books, audio tapes, DVDs, etc. to the Tour of Homes Book Nook. Items may be placed in the designated box at the Post Office.

TOA Greeters and Hostesses Needed! This year’s Tour of Homes is May 18 and 19. We are in need of a few more greeters at the Chapel (Diane Ward, 706.579.2585) and home hostesses (Margo Vallone, 706.268.6446) for a 2 ½ hour shift. Please call if you can help.

PANDAMANIA VBS-JUNE 11-15! Teachers & Helpers needed! For more info contact Nancy Smith at nancysmith@bigcanoechapel.org or 706.268.3203.

The **TOUR OF HOMES** and **GALA** are approaching quickly. Tickets will be sold each Sunday at Stand-Around. **TOUR OF HOMES** tickets for May 18th and 19th are \$20.00 each. Tickets for the **GALA** on May 5th are \$75.00 each. Please call Sandra Gadd – 706.579.2443 if you have questions.

MUSICA VARIATA – Sunday, April 1, Palm Sunday, 5:00 PM. Our first concert of 2012 will be the North Georgia State College and University Choir under the direction of Dr. John Broman. Helpers are still needed for the reception. Contact Nancy Smith for more info.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED – We are continuing Sunday School year round for all of our children and youth. Our Curriculum for June and July will be Super Summer Sundays...great Bible story videos and activities from Superbook! Contact Nancy Smith.

This Week’s Chapel Calendar

Mon.	3/19	No events on this day	
Tues.	3/20	HOA Blood Drive –McCormick Hall	all day
Tues.	3/20	Bella Voce Rehearsal-McCormick Hall	9:30am
Tues.	3/20	MM Out-Sunday School Rooms	9:30am
Tues.	3/20	Benevolence Committee-Board Room	2:30pm
Wed.	3/21	Men’s Journey Group-Teen Room	8:00am
Wed.	3/21	Guild Bible Study-McCormick, Rm102	9:30am
Wed.	3/21	MM Out –Sunday School Rooms	9:30am
Wed.	3/21	Wonderful Wednesday-Cousins Hall	4:45pm
Wed.	3/21	Stephen Ministers—Rooms 101, 102, Library	6:30pm
Thurs.	3/22	MM Out-Sunday School Rooms	9:30am
Thurs.	3/22	Women’s Guild Board Meeting-Board Room	9:30am
Thurs.	3/22	Property Committee Meeting-Room 107	3:00pm
Thurs.	3/22	Hand Bells-Mountain Ringers-Cousins Hall	6:00pm
Thurs.	3/22	Men’s Chorus Rehearsal-Chapel	7:00pm
Fri.	3/23	Evans/Lake Wedding Rehearsal-Chapel	5:30pm
Sat.	3/24	AA Meeting-Teen Room	9:00am
Sat.	3/24	Lee University Chorale Retreat	10:00am
Sat.	3/24	Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby-Cousins Hall	9:00am
Sat.	3/24	Evans/Lake Wedding-Chapel	6:00pm
Sun.	3/25	Chapel Worship Service	9:00am
Sun.	3/25	Adult Sunday School	9:00am
Sun.	3/25	Lee University Chorale Sings Both Services	9:00am
Sun.	3/25	Chapel Stand-Around	10:00am
Sun.	3/25	Stand-Around-Sale of ferns and mint	10:00am
Sun.	3/25	All Sunday School	10:30am
Sun.	3/25	Chapel Worship Service	10:30am

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