# **Second Sunday in Advent December 8, 2013**

Call to Worship "Church in the Wildwood" and "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" WILDWOOD/EMMANUEL

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

Welcome and Announcements Rev. R. Len Walker, Jr.

Voluntary "'Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" arr. R. Bedell

The Lighting of the Advent Candles

Ed and Sharon Papps, 9:00 am

Charlton, Shannon, Caitlin and Courtney Calhoun, 10:30 am

Introit

Invocation

"Away in a Manger"

W. J. Kirkpatrick

Cherub Choir

Rev. V. Lamar Helms

\* Hymn 238 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

GLORIA

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

Rev. Walker

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer Rev. Walker 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

"He Shall Feed His Flock"

Handel

Kay Smith, Soprano Teri Sawyer, Mezzo Soprano

\* Doxology

OLD 100th

\* Offertory Prayer

Rev. Helms

\* Hymn 229 "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

W. ZLOBIE LEZY

\* Scripture: Luke 2:8-14

Minister: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

When Jesus Comes "He Brings Joy"

Rev. Walker

\* Hymn 175 "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" ST. AGNES (Vs. 1, 2 & 4)

\* Benediction Rev. Walker

\* Gloria Patri 71 GRETOREX

## Postlude "Bring A Torch, Jeannette, Isabella" arr. R. Ellsasser

- \* Please stand if you are able.
- + Children are invited to join Rev. Walker on the last verse of the hymn.

## The Big Canoe Chapel Choir

presents its 15th annual

## Festival of Lessons and Carols

Tonight
December 8, 2013
at seven o'clock

A reception in the Broyles Center follows the service.

All are welcome.

**Shoeboxes-Big Canoe collected 480 shoeboxes this year for Samaritan's** Purse Operation Christmas Child, which is a record! The Committee thanks you for your generosity and faithfulness to this wonderful project. You have brightened the lives of 480 children and helped them to hear the Gospel. Thank you!

**The Chapel Bells** will begin ringing this evening at 6:42 pm as part of the voluntaries for the Lessons and Carols program.

#### HELP WANTED

We have immediate openings for a couple of members for the Chapel Communications Committee, The Terraces Committee, and The Cemetery Committee. Please contact Ellis Mills (706.579.1849) or Don Summers (706.268.3096) if you are available.



Rev. R. Len Walker, Jr. Senior Chaplain

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

Teri Sawyer Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries

> James Garner Chapel Organist

Dr. Jonathan Rodgers
Interim Pianist

Janet Larsen Assistant Pianist

Dr. Vernon S. Broyles Founding Chaplain

Dr. Jimmy Allen Chaplain Emeritus

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Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people."

Luke 2:10



## From the Senior Chaplain

One of the great assurances we have as Christians is 2 Corinthians 1:20. The Bible says, "All the promises of God find their Yes in Him." In commenting upon that verse, Dr. Dennis Kinlaw writes,

"Have you ever stopped to think that God is smarter than you are? Now, I know you will tell me quickly that you know God is smarter than you are. But if you are honest with yourself, do you believe it? That has been a difficult lesson for me to learn."

Dr. Kinlaw continues, "God looks at you and says, 'I want you to take your hand off your life and let Me put My hand on it. I want you to let Me lead you, guide you, and direct you so that you live your life the way I want you to instead of living it for yourself.' And something inside you wants to ask two questions. First of all, 'God, where are You going to take me?' And second, 'Do You know what will make me happy and fulfilled?"

The writer concludes, "We must come to the place where we look up into His face and say, 'I cannot see as well as You can see. Will You lead me and guide me so that I do not hurt You, myself, or those whom I love? I will trust that You are wiser than I am, and I will obey even if the way You lead looks wrong to me.'

Why don't you ask God today to take all the little noes that still live in your heart and exchange them for all His yeses? You will never be sorry if you trade all of you for all of God."

That's pretty good counsel especially for this time of the year as we celebrate the wondrous gift of the Savior.

Blessings and joy,

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 Stephen Ministers after the service, or call the Chapel office at 706.268.3203.

#### 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!

## **Today at the Chapel**

8:30 AM 8:45 AM 9:00 AM	Prayer with Senior Chaplain-Chapel 109 Fellowship Class Coffee-McCormick Hall Fellowship SS Class-McCormick Hall
9:00 AM	Worship Service-Chapel
10:00 AM	Chapel Stand-Around
10:30 AM	Blood Pressure Screening-Library
10:30 AM	Seekers SS Class-McCormick Hall
10:30 AM	Grace Walk SS Class-Broyles 102
10:30 AM	Compelled by Love, Sharing Your Faith Board Room
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
4:00 PM	Cherub Choir-Cousins Hall
5:00 PM	Youth/Families Dinner-Cousins Hall

## Serving Today at the Chapel... 9:00 AM 10:30 AM

**Ushers:** Dave and Melinda Wesseling Nick and Jeanelle Brown Paul and Lura Wright Nelson and Teague Mattern

**Greeters:** Cathy Butler Joy Summers Bettye Jo Isherwood Brian Rash

Cart Driver: Brad Herren

Stand-Around: Bob and Lyn Cooper

Ray and Margie Bowyer

Acolytes: Caitlin Calhoun

Audiovisual Technician: Win Cates

## This Week at the Chapel

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Mon.	12/9	Personnel Committee-Board Room	2:15PM
Tues.	12/10	Bella Voce - McCormick Hall	9:00AM
Tues.	12/10	Christmas Blessings Event	8:00AM
Tues.	12/10	Finance Committee-Board Room	2:00PM
Tues.	12/10	Benevolence Committee-Room 102	2:30PM
Tues.	12/10	Technology Committee-Room 107	3:00PM
Tues.	12/10	BCERT-McCormick Hall	7:00PM
Wed.	12/11	Men's Journey Group-Room 101	8:00AM
Wed.	12/11	Christmas Blessings Event	8:00AM
Wed.	12/11	Creative Stitchery-Room 101	1:00PM
Wed.	12/11	Stephen Ministry-Rooms 101 & 102	6:30PM
Thurs.	12/12	Women's Guild-Chapel & Board Room	8:00AM
Thurs.	12/12	No Chapel Choir Rehearsal	
Fri.	12/13	Scholarship Meeting-Board Room	10:00AM
Fri.	12/13	Choral Concert-Chapel	7:00PM
Sat.	12/14	AA Meeting-Teen Room	9:00AM
Sat.	12/14	Bella Voce Luncheon & Dress Rehearsal	9:00AM
Sat.	12/14	HOA Meeting-Chapel	10:00AM
Sun.	12/15	Chapel Choir sings	9:00AM

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

...to Paul Schmidt, our Maintenance/Team Leader who celebrated his one-year anniversary December 1, 2013. Our gratitude and thanks, Paul.

### **Chapel Announcements**

**Ladies Bible Study** will begin a study of "Why Do You Believe That? A Faith Conversation" by Mary Jo Sharp, January 15th. This will be a practical study to help you better understand your own faith and learn to effectively share Jesus with others. We will have sign up at Stand-Around after Christmas. Please plan now to join us in January. If you have any questions, please contact Glenda Mitchell or Christine Twiss.

Join the Big Canoe Chapel Women's Guild on Thursday, December 12th, at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel for the 2013 Christmas Program and Luncheon. Cheryl Rogers and Trace Balin return to Big Canoe as entertainers Holly and Ivy for a "Christmas Cruise" that will offer music, laughter and a meaningful Christmas message. The Christmas Luncheon, catered by Flavours, will be held in the Broyles Center immediately following the morning program. Tickets are \$25.00 each and will be available at Chapel Stand Around. After the luncheon, plan to be treated to some new decorating and entertaining surprises by Janie Block of House to Haven. Her *Twelve Days Before Christmas* presentation is sure to add joyful notes to everyone's holiday season!

**Christmas Blessing Program Family Shoppers**, please bring your gifts to Cousins Hall in the upper level of the Broyles Center this coming Tuesday, December 10th, between 9:00am and 1:00pm. **Family Drivers**, please pick up the gifts for delivery on Friday morning, December 11th, at 9:00am. Thank you for sharing the Christmas spirit. Contact Joy Bookhultz (706.579.2084) or Susanne Newell (706.579.5087) with any questions.

**Griefshare** is a thirteen-week support group for those who are experiencing the loss of a loved one. We will start on January 6th, and go through March 31st, 2014. We meet at five pm downstairs in room 107 of the Broyles Center. We will see a video each week, giving you good insight and helpfulness to move forward with your grieving. It is healing to be able to talk to others who are also saddened by their loss. Contact Sandra Hintze (706.579.2248).

**Blood Pressure Screening** in the Library today 10:00-10:30am.

Dinner for 8 - It is that time again... to join a new group to share dinner, fun time and great conversation! This is a great way to meet new friends and enjoy an evening together. Dinner for 8 groups will begin again in January-April, 2014. If you would like to join a new group, please call Susan Willson at (706.579.2640) for information or just email at eliz8190@yahoo.com with your names, phone number and email address. There will only be two opportunities during Stand-Around...Dec. 15th and 22nd...so give me a call!

#### **Chapel Member Prayer List**

**At Home:** Phyllis Deane, Jobeth Yarbrough, Frank Garner, Dave Reid, **Becky Pickett, Nancy Ayres, Louise Morgan (daughter's home), Wayne** Molton, Mike Giles (in-home hospice), Ed Bookhultz, David Butler, Gordon Harnesberger, Mike Erhlich, Dana Filkowski (daughter of Walt and Sandy Filkowski, surgery Dec. 9), David Keller.

**Hospital:** Anne Campbell, Kennestone Hospital.

In Assisted Care: Betty Laughlin, Arbor Terraces, Decatur; Martha-Akins, Gold City Personal Care, Dahlonega; Bill Almand, The Veranda, Roswell; Jean Payne, Grandview, Jasper; Chalmas Holmes, Sonshine Manor Personal Care, Jasper; Richard Krajec and Vivian Macdonald (JeanAnn Miller's mother), Rock Creek Manor, Jasper; Margie Hunter and Ben Johnson, Chambrel, Roswell; Dot Bourke, Dogwood Forest Asst. Living Comm; Frances Smith, Hallmark at Phipps, Atlanta; Kathy Duncan, St, Ives Memory Care, Alpharetta; Fred Hill, 762 N. Main St., Alpharetta, GA 30004; Betty Leslein, 4355 S. Lee St., Buford, GA 30518.