

Third Sunday in Advent

December 15, 2013

Call to Worship “Church in the Wildwood”
and “There’s A Song in the Air” Pitts/Harrington

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

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

Voluntary “Angels From The Realms Of Glory” arr. R. Hobby

The Lighting of the Advent Candles
Jeff and Rhonda Turner, 9:00 am
Don and Linda Travis, 10:30 am

Introit “Mary’s Lullaby” J. Rutter
The Chapel Choir

Invocation Rev. Walker

* Hymn 240 “Hark! the Herald Angels Sing” MENDELSSOHN

+ 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 “Sweet Little Jesus Boy” Spiritual
Lamar Helms, solo

* Doxology OLD 100th

* Offertory Prayer Rev. Walker

* Hymn 218 “It Came upon the Midnight Clear” CAROL
(Vs. 1,2 & 4)

* Scripture: Isaiah 26:1-3
Minister: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

When Jesus Comes Rev. Walker
“He Brings Peace”

* Hymn 431 “Let There Be Peace on Earth” WORLD PEACE

* Benediction Rev. Walker

* Gloria Patri 71 GRETOREX

Postlude “God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen” arr. L. Smith

* Please stand if you are able.

+ Children are invited to join Rev. Walker on the last verse of the hymn.

Worship on Christmas Eve
Family and Children Celebration, 5:00 pm

Various costumes will be
available in The Broyles Center entrance.
Come by and pick one up.

A Candlelight Service, 7:00 pm
Candlelight Communion Celebration, 10:00 pm

SERMON NOTES



Worship Services December 15, 2013

*“Glory to God in heaven, and on earth
peace among those whom he favors.”*

Luke 2:14

Rev. R. Len Walker, Jr.
Senior Chaplain

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

Teri Sawyer
Director of Children, Youth
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James Garner
Chapel Organist

Dr. Jonathan Rodgers
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From the Senior Chaplain

There are many ministries and events that take place every day in the life of Big Canoe Chapel. We thank God for every one of them. **It's amazing how many lives are touched by the love of Christ by the anointed hands and hearts of God's people assembled at the Chapel.** I deeply believe 2014 will be a year of extraordinary and supernatural **outreach in the advancement of God's kingdom as we faithfully submit ourselves as His instruments of grace.**

I am also thoroughly convinced that our greatest call as the church is to worship God. When we come together as the Body of Christ, I believe the Spirit strengthens our fellowship, leads us in the truth of His word, inspires us to serve others and ministers healing to broken hearts. Thank God for the gift of worship!

I am especially blessed by the way that music leads us in the path of inspiring and compelling worship. God has blessed so many with the wonderful gift of music at Big Canoe Chapel. The Festival of Lessons and Carols led us in a powerful way as we rejoiced in the life-changing truth of the Incarnation. The Chapel Choir lifted us in our **spirits. It was truly one of those "holy moments."** And we continually thank God for placing Lamar, James, Janet, Cal and Jonathan in places of music leadership.

The Chapel Bells, once again, were magnificent. I'm always impressed by their prayerful and disciplined preparation. Ann is an incredible leader and we love her. It seems the bells calm our minds and spirits as we are ushered into the presence of the Father. Thank you Chapel Bells!

The Cherub Choir had a fantastic debut last Sunday didn't they? Children were precious to Jesus and they are to us. Thank you Teri for such a rich ministry with these children.

Kay, Teri and Brenda were used of the Lord as they shared the gift of music in the two morning services. Again, we were lifted in spirit and departed worship with the joy of the Lord as our strength.

And thank you Louise and all those who presented greenery last Sunday evening. The evergreens remind us of the love of God that never withers or dies.

Inspiring worship is God's gift. And we're thankful.

Blessings 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 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	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
10:30 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: Ted and Gail Cooper Steve and Penelope Kinney
Rick and Carole Sexton Dave and Dolly Blake

Greeters: Chuck and Linda Lee Gordon Weldon and Liz Wintter

Cart Driver: Keith Scott

Acolytes: Angelina Casey

Audiovisual Technician: Bob Matthews

This Week at the Chapel

Mon. 12/16	Prayer Blanket Ministry-McCormick Hall	9:00AM
Mon. 12/16	Terraces Committee-Room 107	9:00AM
Mon. 12/16	Board of Trustees-Board Room	2:30PM
Tues. 12/17	Bella Voce -McCormick Hall	9:00AM
Tues. 12/17	Communications Committee-Board Room	10:30AM
Wed. 12/18	Men's Journey Group -Room 101	8:00AM
Wed. 12/18	Creative Stitchery-Room 101	1:00PM
Wed. 12/18	Mission Conference-Board Room	2:00PM
Thurs. 12/19	Men's Chorus Rehearsal	7:00PM
Sat. 12/21	AA Meeting-Teen Room	9:00AM
Sun. 12/22	Men's Chorus Sings	9:00AM

Flowers in the Narthex

...are in honor of James and Bonnie Moore's 50th wedding anniversary which they celebrated December 14, 2013.

Chapel Announcements

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.

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 see Glenda Mitchell or Christine Twiss.

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!

Sympathy

The Chapel family extends its sympathy to Cynthia Aiken and The Essman Family in the loss of Michael Essman in Panama, who died December 10.

Special Thoughts and Prayers for...

Charles and Lyn Cates in the loss of Charles' mother who passed away December 3rd in Tifton, Georgia.

Chapel Member Prayer List

At Home: Phyllis Deane, Jobeth Yarbrough, Frank Garner, Beck-Pickett, Nancy Ayres, Louise Morgan (daughter's home), David Butler, Gordon Harnesberger, Mike Erlich, Dana Filkowski (daughter of Walt and Sandy Filkowski, surgery Dec. 9), David Keller, Anne Campbell, Ray Massey.

In Hospice Care: Dave Reid, Kathy Duncan, Mike Giles.

In Assisted Care: Betty Laughlin, Arbor Terraces, Decatur; Martha-Akins, Gold City Personal Care, Dahlonga; 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; Fred Hill, 762 N. Main St., Alpharetta, GA 30004; Betty Leslein, 4355 S. Lee St., Buford, GA 30518.