

Today's Worship
April 25, 2021
Fourth Sunday in Easter

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Rob Bruce

CALL TO WORSHIP

God loves us with a steadfast love.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so!

God loves us so much he gave us his Son.

Let us believe and have eternal life!

God loves us with a great love, rich in mercy.

Let us have faith to receive this grace!

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

OPENING PRAYER

Chris Hester

MUSIC

Great is the Lord/I Worship You

All

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just;
By His power we trust in His love,
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true;
By His mercy he proves He is love

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise
Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice
Great is the Lord,
Great is the Lord
(Repeat)

I worship You, Almighty God,
There is none like you.
I worship You, O Prince of Peace,
This is what I want to do
I give you praise, for you are my righteousness.
I worship You, Almighty God,
There is none like You.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Mr. Hester

LORD'S PRAYER

All

Our Father, which 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, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. AMEN

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mr. Hester

Ephesians 2:1–10 (NLT)

Once you were dead because of your disobedience and your many sins. 2 You used to live in sin, just like the rest of the world, obeying the devil—the commander of the powers in the unseen world. He is the spirit at work in the hearts of those who refuse to obey God. 3 All of us used to live that way, following the passionate desires and inclinations of our sinful nature. By our very nature we were subject to God's anger, just like everyone else. 4 But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, 5 that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead. (It is only by God's grace that you have been saved!) 6 For he raised us from the dead along with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ Jesus. 7 So God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealth of his grace and kindness toward us, as shown in all he has done for us who are united with Christ Jesus. 8 God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. 9 Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. 10 For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.

HYMN

This Is My Father's World

All

This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears
All nature sings and round me rings the music of the spheres
This is my Father's world, I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise
This is my Father's world, he shines in all that's fair
In the rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world, why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King, let the heavens ring, God reigns let the earth be glad!

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. Dr. Bruce

SERMON

MUSIC

Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated

All

Take my life and let it be, consecrated Lord to Thee;
Take my moments and my days – let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move, at the impulse of Thy love
Take my feet and let them be, swift and beautiful for Thee
Swift and beautiful for Thee

Take my voice and let me sing, Always only for my King
Take my lips and let them be, filled with messages from Thee,
Filled with messages from Thee

Take my love, my Lord I pour, at Thy feet its treasure store,
Take myself and I will be, ever only all for Thee,
Ever, only, all for Thee.

BENEDICTION

Mr. Hester



McEver Road UMC is Praying For:

Family of Jack Anderson (Linda Kern's father)
Debbie Durrence (broken arm/surgery)
Family of Joe Durrence (Paul's father)
Tommie Love (community member)
Sandy Smee
Suzie Turner (hip surgery)

Continued Prayers For:

Pat Adams, Noel and Betsy Bassett, Jim Burton, Bill Carman, Brandon Cartledge, Judy Chosewood, Jan Christian, Gary Clark, Terry Dale, Wayne Davidson, Natalie Donatelli, Walter P. Emerson Family, Carolyn and Lloyd Evans, Martha Farr, Shari Gwaltney, Jill Johnson, Michele Lecorchic, Carolyn Lindsley, Thomas Lindsley, Mark Mobarry, Paul Mobarry, Celeste Mullins, Jeff Palulis, Fern Patterson, Jean Pool, Carol and Martha Shay, Shelly Simpson, Lloyd and Florence Smee, Andrea Steptowe, Kya Strickland, Connie Towe, Hannah Turcotte, Sharon Walton, Teresa Wheeler, Linda Yocum, John Young, all fighting cancer

Our Service Men and Women:

Ryan Cantrell, Breanna Cantrell, Christian Edens, Maribel Edens, Robby Harrison, Travis Hutchinson, Kiernan Kane, Keenen McDaniel, Mason McDaniel, Jacob Miller, Zachary Peterson, Darrell Scales

Missionaries:

Ashley Johnson, Christie and Rick Krueger, Ann Milligan

Please contact the church office (770-532-3160) or the Jordans (770-536-9043, ljordan4751@charter.net) for updates to the prayer list.

The Week at a Glance

Tuesday, April 27

Bible Study 7PM virtual

(Chris Hester 678-936-5127, chrishester23@gmail.com)

Wednesday, April 28

Bible Study 7:30PM virtual

(Rob Bruce 404-906-8276, rob.bruce@ngumc.net)

Thursday, April 29

Bible Study 10:30AM virtual

(Rob Bruce 404-906-8276, rob.bruce@ngumc.net)

Sunday, May 2

The Current Worship any time via You Tube

(Rob Bruce 404-906-8276, rob.bruce@ngumc.net)

Children's Sunday School 9:15AM virtual

(Chris Hester 678-936-5127, chrishester23@gmail.com)

Journey to Bethlehem Adult Sunday School class 19:45AM

Bagley Annex garage

(Lamar Jordan 770-536-9043, ljordan4751@charter.net)

Pages Adult Sunday School class 10AM Bagley Annex classroom

(Garry Glenn 678-617-8073, rglenn@aim.com)

Current Hearts Adult Sunday School class 10AM virtual

(Debbie Durrence 678-833-1214, debbie.durrence@gmail.com)

Joyful Noise Adult Sunday School class 10AM

Bagley Annex basement and virtual

(John Wright 404-281-9820, grampajohngrumps@gmail.com)

Traditional Worship 11AM on the lawn and streaming online

(Rob Bruce 404-906-8276, rob.bruce@ngumc.net)

Virtual Lift Your Spirits Café 12 noon via Zoom

(Rob Bruce 404-906-8276, rob.bruce@ngumc.net)

Book Discussion Group 4PM virtual

(Rob Bruce 404-906-8276, rob.bruce@ngumc.net)



Loving Christ Loving People Helping People Love Christ

Welcome! We're Glad You're Here!



We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, filthy rich, dirt poor. We extend a special welcome to those who are crying newborns, skinny as a rail or could afford to lose a few pounds.

We welcome you if you can sing like Andrea Bocelli or like our pastor who can't carry a note

in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Methodist than Asbury, or haven't been in church since little Joey's Baptism.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters.

We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems or you're down in the dumps or if you don't like "organized religion;" we've been there too.

If you blew all your offering money at the dog track, you're welcome here. We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts and you!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Lavonne Venable	4/26
Katie Schaefer	4/28
Martha Shay	5/1

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Next Week's Sermon:
Buddhism
Romans 5:3-5

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