

Today's Worship
October 31, 2021
23rd Sunday After Pentecost

WELCOME Rev. Dr. Rob Bruce

CALL TO WORSHIP Leader and People

L: How wonderful it is to be in a dwelling place for God!

P: The refreshing springs of God's love cleans and restore us.

L: There is a place here for everyone. No one is turned away.

P: The least and the lost; the homeless and hopeless are always welcome in God's house.

L: Praise to God who invites and shelters us all.

P: Praise to God who heals and sends us forth to serve. AMEN.

MUSIC **There's Within My Heart a Melody** All

There's within my heart a melody
Jesus whispers sweet and low
"Fear not, I am with you, peace be still"
In all of life's ebb and flow.

CHORUS

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
Sweetest name I know
Fills my ev'ry longing
Keeps me singing as I go.

All my life was wrecked by sin and strife
Discord filled my heart with pain
Jesus swept across the broken strings
Stirred the slumb'ring chords again.

MUSIC **Grace Greater Than Our Sin** All

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilled

Grace, grace, God's grace
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within
Grace, grace, God's grace
Grace that is greater than all our sin

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace
Freely bestowed on all who believe
You who are longing to see His face
Will you this moment His grace receive?

PASTORAL PRAYER Chris 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.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 84:1-4 (NRSV) Mr. Hester

1 How lovely is your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!

2 My soul longs, indeed it faints
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy
to the living God.

3 Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.

4 Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise. Selah

MUSIC **Amazing Grace** All

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.

The Lord hath promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Rev. Dr. Bruce

SERMON **Fainting Souls**

MUSIC **As the Deer** All

As the deer panteth for the water
So my soul longeth after Thee
You are all that my heart desires
And I long to worship You

You alone are my strength my shield
To you alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my hearts desire
And I long to worship You

You're my friend
And You are my brother
Even though You are the King
I love you more than any other
So much more than anything

You alone are my strength my shield
To You alone be my spirit yield
You alone are my hearts desire
And I long to worship Thee...

BENEDICTION Mr. Glenn

God is always with you. Even when times get difficult and the way is not clear, God is truly by your side. Rest in God's strength and love. Serve God with joy. Go in peace.

ALL: We go in peace to Love Christ, Love People, and Help People Love Christ. AMEN



McEver Rd Church is Praying For:

Family of Joan Desrochers (Lloyd Smee's sister)
Patsy Russell (Heather Barrera's mother)
Jonathan Siderakis (recovering from COVID)
Barbara Vogt (Tilleys' neighbor, pancreatic cancer)

Continued Prayers For:

Pat Adams, Bill Anderson, Margie Barron, Noel and Betsy Bassett, Jim Burton, Bill Carman, Brandon Cartledge, Judy and Max Chosewood, Jan Christian, Gary Clark, Terry Dale, Wayne Davidson, Natalie Donatelli, Walter P. Emerson Family, Carolyn and Lloyd Evans, Martha Farr, Dick Fleming, Shari Gwaltney, Jill Johnson, Luci King, Michele Lecorchic, Carolyn Lindsley, Thomas Lindsley, Vivian Mills, Mark Mobarry, Paul Mobarry, Celeste Mullins, Jeff Palulis, Fern Patterson, Jean Pool, Red Bird Mission, Carol and Martha Shay, Lloyd and Florence Smee, Andrea Steptowe, Kya Strickland, Connie Towe, Sharon Walton, Teresa Wheeler, Linda Yocom, John Young, all those 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, Zachary Peterson, Darrell Scales

Missionaries:

Ashley Johnson, Christie and Rick Krueger, Ann Milligan, Zonia Mucun

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Cathy Cudd	10/31	Kody Emerson	11/9
Ella Emerson	10/31	Raeburn Rathbun	11/9
Ruby Roberts	11/8	Nancy Updegrove	11/9

Opportunities This Week

Monday, Nov. 1

Music Rehearsal 6:30PM Bagley Annex
(Janni Martin 770-533-0679, friendofguatemala@gmail.com)

Tuesday, Nov. 2

Good News at Noon 6:30PM at Good News
(Jean Prezel jeanprezel@gmail.com, 678-720-6945)

Bible Study 7PM virtual

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

Thursday, Nov. 4

Bible Study 10:30AM virtual

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

Wesley Small Group

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

Young Wesley Small Group

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

Sunday, Nov. 7

Daylight Saving Time Ends

Set Clocks Back One Hour

Children's Sunday School 10AM Bagley Annex sunroom

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

Pages Adult Sunday School class 10AM Bagley Annex classroom

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

Journey to Bethlehem Adult Sunday School class

9:45AM Bagley Annex garage

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

Joyful Noise Adult Sunday School class 10AM Bagley Annex basement

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

Current Hearts Adult Sunday School class Pastor's office and Zoom

(Rev. Dr. Susan Taylor revdrtaylor@gmail.com)

Worship 11AM pavilion and streaming online

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



McEver Rd

CHURCH

A United Methodist Community

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!

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Next Week's Sermon

*Think about it * Pray about it*

Troubled Times

John 11:32-44, Isaiah 25:6-9

Revelation 21:4

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