

Today's Worship
February 13, 2022
Sixth Sunday after The Epiphany

GATHERING

WELCOME Chris Hester

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: O come, let us sing to our God and make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

P: We lift our hearts and voices in joy and thanksgiving for being here together in the presence of our beloved God.

L: Come, let us worship this amazing God, for we belong to God.

P: We will listen for God's word and live in the hope it inspires.

MUSIC He Touched Me All

Shackled by a heavy burden, neath a load of guilt and shame,
Then the hand of Jesus touched me, and now I am no longer the same.

(Refrain)

He touched me, O he touched me
And O the joy that floods my soul!
Something happened, and now I know,
He touched me and made me whole.

Since I met this blessed Savior, since he cleansed and made me whole,
I will never cease to praise him; I'll shout it while eternity rolls.

MUSIC We'll Understand It By and By All

We are tossed and driven on the restless sea of time;
Somber skies and howling tempests oft succeed a bright sunshine;
In that land of perfect day, when the mists have rolled away,
We will understand it better by and by.

(Refrain)

By and by, when the morning comes,
When the saints of God are gathered home,
We'll tell the story how we've overcome,
For we'll understand it better by and by.

We are often destitute of the things that life demands,
Want of food and want of shelter, thirsty hills and barren lands;
We are trusting in the Lord, and according to God's word,
We will understand it better by and by.

Temptations, hidden snares often take us unawares,
And our hearts are made to bleed for a thoughtless word or deed;
And we wonder why the test when we try to do our best,
But we'll understand it better by and by.

OPENING PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Tracey Wimpy

The petitions are followed by:

ALL: "Lord in your mercy hear our prayers."

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

MUSIC When I Survey the Wondrous Cross All

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.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God,
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

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.

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Romans 5:1-11 NLT Ms. Wimpy

Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace* with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

²Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory.

³We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. ⁴And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. ⁵And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

⁶When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. ⁷Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person

who is especially good. ⁸But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. ⁹And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation. ¹⁰For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son. ¹¹So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Mr. Hester

SERMON Famous Conversions: Sojourner Truth

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Ms. Wimpy: For the word of hope that pours over us like living water,
for the word of grace that leads us to encounter the living Christ,

ALL: we offer you our thanks, O God.

MUSIC Spirit Song All

O let the Son of God enfold you
With his Spirit and his love.
Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
O let him have the things that hold you,
And his Spirit like a dove
Will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.
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DEPART TO SERVE

BENEDICTION Ms. Wimpy

We have encountered the living God through the love of the living Christ. We have been refreshed by living water. Go now to live in the hope this encounter inspires. Be water bearers to a dry and parched world, knowing that the God of love and hope goes before you and with you always.

ALL: We go forth to Love Christ, Love People, and Help People Love Christ.



McEver Rd Church is Praying For:

Barrera Family (Heather's mother died)
Family of Jack Brock (L. Coleman's friend)
Tommy Haley (Ed Kern's friend, COVID)
Kaye Herth (COVID, flu, strep)
Lynda Justice (Browns' friend, husband died)
Mike Wofford (cancer)

Continued Prayers For:

Pat Adams, Margie Barron, Noel and Betsy Bassett, Jim Burton, Brandon Cartledge, Judy and Max Chosewood, Jan Christian, Gary Clark, Terry Dale, Wayne Davidson, Natalie Donatelli, Pete Ellis, 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, Barbara Vogt, Sharon Walton, Teresa Wheeler, Karen Wilson, 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.

Opportunities This Week

Monday, Feb. 14
Valentine's Day
Music Rehearsal 7PM Bagley Annex
(Janni Martin 770-533-0679, friendofguatemala@gmail.com)

Tuesday, Feb. 15
Good News at Noon 6:30PM at Good News
(Jean Prezel jeanprezel@gmail.com, 678-720-6945)

Cub Scouts 6:30PM Annex basement and pavilion
(Church Office 770-532-3160, angelaivey968@gmail.com)

Thursday, Feb. 17
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)

Sunday, Feb. 20
Joyful Noise Adult Sunday School class 9:30AM Annex and virtual
(John Wright 404-281-9820, grampajohngrumps@gmail.com)

Current Hearts Adult Sunday School class 10AM virtual
(Rev. Dr. Susan Taylor revdrtaylor@gmail.com)

Worship 11AM pavilion and streaming online
(Rob Bruce 404-906-8276, rob.bruce@ngumc.net)

Leadership Meeting 2PM virtual
(Ben Buchan 770-402-2884, jbbuchan@gmail.com)

Next Week's Sermon

*Think about it * Pray about it*

C. S. Lewis
Exodus 3:1-14

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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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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Nancy Maddox	2/11	Tom Updegrave	2/19
Linda Coleman	2/14	Debbie Durrence	2/22
Dynelle Martin	2/14	Brian Cave	2/24
Doris Tilley	2/14	Nancy Hill	2/24
Ruby Buchan	2/18	Jessica Jones	2/25
Jace Siderakis	2/18		

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Dynelle and Janni Martin	2/14
Randy and Cathy Prince	2/14