

Today's Worship
February 20, 2022
Seventh Sunday after The Epiphany

GATHERING

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Rob Bruce

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: God's glory is pouring forth from the heavens.

P: Earth below receives the good news with great joy.

L: The promise is sure and true, that Jesus has come to show us the best ways to serve God.

P: By serving and caring for others, we truly serve God.

L: Come, let us prepare ourselves for joyful service.

P: Lord, make us ready for great service in your name. AMEN.

MUSIC

Standing on the Promises

All

Standing on the promises of Christ my King
Through eternal ages let His praises ring
Glory in the highest I will shout and sing
Standing on the promises of God.

(Refrain)

Standing, standing

Standing on the promises of God my Savior;

Standing, standing

I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail
By the living Word of God I shall prevail
Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord
Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's Sword
Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises I cannot fall
List'ning ev'ry moment to the Spirit's call
Resting in my Savior as my All in All
Standing on the promises of God.

MUSIC

Blessed Assurance

All

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine;
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God;
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight;
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight.
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest.
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

OPENING PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Heather Barrera

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

Pass Me Not

McEver Singers

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 19:1–14 (NRSV) Ms. Barrera

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

2 Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

3 There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

4 yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,

5 which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

6 Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat.

7 The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

8 the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;

9 the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

11 Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

12 But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

13 Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. Dr. Bruce

SERMON

Famous Conversions: C. S. Lewis

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

MUSIC

O Happy Day

All

O happy day that fixed my choice
On Thee my Saviour and my God;
Well may this glowing heart rejoice
And tell its raptures all abroad.

O happy day, O happy day,
When Jesus washed my sins away.
He taught me how to watch and pray,
And live rejoicing every day.
Hallelujah
O happy day, O happy day,
When Jesus washed my sins away.

Now rest, my long divided heart,
Fixed on this blissful centre rest;
Nor ever from my Lord depart,
With Him of every good possessed.

DEPART TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

Ms. Barrera

You have been called and anointed.
You have been strengthened and enlightened.
You have become one body in Christ.
Now go to spread joy and liberation
in word and in deed
to all the world.

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
Family of Bill Clements (Ron's father)
Tommy Haley (Ed Kern's friend, COVID)
Lynda Justice (Browns' friend, husband died)
Family of Kerry Kerr (Rev. Tom Kerr's daughter)

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. 21
President's Day

Music Rehearsal 7PM Bagley Annex
(Janni Martin 770-533-0679, friendofguatemala@gmail.com)

Tuesday, Feb. 22

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

Thursday, Feb. 24

Bible Study 10:30AM virtual
(Rob Bruce 404-906-8276, rob.bruce@ngumc.net)

Sunday, Feb. 27

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)

Church Conference 12PM pavilion
(Rob Bruce 404-906-8276, rob.bruce@ngumc.net)

Next Week's Sermon

Think about it * Pray about it

Chris Hester Preaching

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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!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Debbie Durrence	2/22	Jessica Jones	2/25
Brian Cave	2/24	James Dover	3/1
Nancy Hill	2/24	Tom Christian	3/2

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