

**Today's Worship**  
**June 19, 2022**  
**Second Sunday after Pentecost**

**GATHERING**

**WELCOME**

Rev. Dr. Rob Bruce

While we walk the pilgrim pathway  
Clouds will overspread the sky;  
But when trav'ling days are over  
Not a shadow, not a sigh.

female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor and People

L: Break down the barriers that divide us, O Lord.

**P: Tear down the walls of hostility and fear.**

L: Melt the barbed wire of anger and hatred.

**P: Breathe new life into your people, O God.**

L: For we are called to newness in Christ Jesus.

**P: We are all brothers and sisters through God's love.**

L: Come, let us worship the God who removes obstacles from our paths.

**P: Let us praise God who seeks to unite us in peace. AMEN.**

Onward to the prize before us!  
Soon His beauty we'll behold;  
Soon the pearly gates will open—  
We shall tread the streets of gold.

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

Rev. Dr. Bruce

**SERMON**

**When Love Came to Town**

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**MUSIC**

**Just a Closer Walk with Thee**

All

I am weak but Thou art strong  
Jesus keep me from all wrong  
I'll be satisfied as long  
As I walk, let me walk close to Thee

Refrain

Just a closer walk with Thee  
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea  
Daily walking close to Thee  
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be

When my feeble life is o'er  
Time for me will be no more  
Guide me gently, safely o'er  
To Thy kingdom's shore, to Thy shore

**MUSIC**

**When We All Get to Heaven**

All

Sing the wondrous love of Jesus,  
Sing His mercy and His grace;  
In the mansions bright and blessed  
He'll prepare for us a place.

Refrain

When we all get to heaven,  
what a day of rejoicing that will be!  
When we all see Jesus,  
we'll sing and shout the victory!

**RECOGNITION OF FATHERS**

Tracey Wimpy

**OPENING PRAYERS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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 forever.**

**MUSIC**

**I'm Feeling Mighty Fine**

Glenn Burkhalter  
and Jean Prezel

**MUSIC**

**Precious Lord, Take My Hand**

All

Precious Lord, take my hand  
Lead me on, let me stand  
I'm tired, I'm weak, I'm lone  
Through the storm, through the night  
Lead me on to the light  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

When my way grows drear  
precious Lord linger near  
When my light is almost gone  
Hear my cry, hear my call  
Hold my hand lest I fall  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

When the darkness appears  
and the night draws near  
And the day is past and gone  
At the river I stand  
Guide my feet, hold my hand  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

**DEPART TO SERVE**

**BENEDICTION**

Ms. Wimpy: God has poured blessing after blessing upon you. You are healed and sent forth to serve in God's world. Go in peace and may God's peace always be with you.

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

**THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE**

Galatians 3:23-29 (NRSV)

Ms. Wimpy

23 Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. 24 Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. 25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, 26 for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. 27 As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. 28 There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and

## Opportunities This Week

Monday, June 20

Music Rehearsal 7 p.m. Bagley Annex  
(Janni Martin 770-533-0679, [friendofguatemala@gmail.com](mailto:friendofguatemala@gmail.com))

Tuesday, June 21

Craft and Quilt Squad 11 a.m. Annex Sunroom  
(Suanne Stewart 770-842-1364)

Good News at Noon 6:30 p.m. at Good News  
(Jean Prezel [jeanprezel@gmail.com](mailto:jeanprezel@gmail.com), 678-720-6945)

Cub Scouts 6:30 p.m. Annex Basement and Pavilion  
(Church Office 770-532-3160, [angelaivey968@gmail.com](mailto:angelaivey968@gmail.com))

Sunday, June 26

Holy Grounds: Coffee, Community, & Jesus 9 a.m. Pavilion  
(Chris Hester 678-936-5127, [chrishester23@gmail.com](mailto:chrishester23@gmail.com))

Children's Sunday School 10 a.m. Annex Sunroom  
(Chris Hester 678-936-5127, [chrishester23@gmail.com](mailto:chrishester23@gmail.com))

Joyful Noise Adult Sunday School class 10 a.m. Bagley Annex basement  
(John Wright 404-281-9820, [grampajohngrumps@gmail.com](mailto:grampajohngrumps@gmail.com))

Current Hearts Adult Sunday School 10 a.m. Virtual  
(Rev. Dr. Susan Taylor [revdrtaylor@gmail.com](mailto:revdrtaylor@gmail.com))

Journey to Bethlehem Adult Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Annex Garage  
(Lamar and Judy Jordan 770-536 -9043, [ljordan4751@charter.net](mailto:ljordan4751@charter.net))

Pages Adult Sunday School 10 a.m. Bagley Annex  
(Garry Glenn 678-617-8073, [rglenn@aim.com](mailto:rglenn@aim.com))

Worship 11 a.m. Pavilion and Streaming Online  
(Rob Bruce 404-906-8276, [rob.bruce@ngumc.net](mailto:rob.bruce@ngumc.net))

Farewell Reception for Rob and Sherry 12 p.m. Pavilion and Annex  
(Susan Dover 770-337-5655, [susan5113@yahoo.com](mailto:susan5113@yahoo.com))

## McEver Rd Church is Praying For:

Diane Davis (serious health issues)  
Carolyn Evans (Garry Glenn's aunt)  
Joyce Fike (Jeannette Christman's friend)  
Family of Celeste Mullins (Trisha Cooper's sister)  
Nancy Updegrove (broken hip)



## 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, Walter P. Emerson Family, Martha Farr, Dick Fleming, Shari Gwaltney, Linda Hollimon, Jill Johnson, Luci King, Michele Lecorchic, Carolyn Lindsley, Thomas Lindsley, Vivian Mills, Mark Mobarry, Paul Mobarry, Jeff Palulis, Fern Patterson, Jean Pool, Red Bird Mission, Carol and Martha Shay, Lloyd and Florence Smee, Tom Sorrells, Kya Strickland, Jerry Thompson, Connie Towe, Barbara Vogt, Sharon Walton, Bob Wilder, Mike Wofford, 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, Mason McDaniel, Kendall Payne, 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](mailto:ljordan4751@charter.net)) for updates to the prayer list.



## Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar today are given by the Barrera family in honor of Hector Barrera and all fathers in the church.

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## Next Week's Sermon

Think about it \* Pray about it

### The Open Door

Revelation 3:7-13 (NRSV)



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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