

We are so glad that you are with us today! Our service will be to praise and worship God and to encourage and uplift us to face another week. We will sing (Eph. 5:19, Col. 3:16), pray (James 5:15-18), and partake of the Lord's Supper to remember our Savior's sacrifice on the cross (Acts 20:7, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). We will also give back a portion of the monetary blessings that God has granted us so that we can carry out His work in our community (1 Cor. 16:2, 2 Cor. 9:7). We will also study a lesson from His Word that will hopefully be applicable to our daily lives, so that we can be equipped to handle the pressures of this world and reach those outside of Christ (2 Tim. 2:15). If you are a visitor, please fill out the yellow visitor's card and pass it to the end of the aisle so it can be collected. You are truly an honored guest, so please give us an opportunity to meet you after our services are over! "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

Scripture Reading

Song (#718) We Shall Assemble

Song (#797) Lord We Come Before Thee Now

Opening Prayer

Song (#176) Lamb of God

Partake of the Lords Supper

Contribution

Song (#704) Bind Us Together

Song (PP) Never Grow Old

Song (#851) I'll Fly Away

Message

Song (#924) Just As I Am

Song (#853) When We All Get To Heaven

Closing Prayer

**Worship Assignments
Sunday Morning**

	March 13th	March 20th
Announcements	Jeremy Green	Rob Burton
Scripture Reading	Dillon Ledford	Dalton Stephens
Open Prayer	Tim Hall	Josh Chancey
Song Leading	Barry Kingsley	Nathan Collier
Close Prayer	Bob Burton	Mark Pettit
Head Table	Marlin Brackett	John Painter
Assist	M. Hadden D Stephens Ry.Cochran D. Ledford Sp.Hall R. Ramariez Tu.Hall Ru.Cochran	R. Kimsey J. Chancey Re.Cochran J. Stephens T. Rochester J. Jenkins E. Mulkey B.Burkewitz
Usher	D. Bailey R. Burton D. Green J. Cochran	Tu. Hall M. Hadden J. Chancey Re. Cochran
Greeters	C&M Giannone F. Hightower M.Teems L&B Ferrell	E&S Busby G&A Chancey Q&J Holloway

	Evening	Evening
Announcements	Butch Jones	Youth
Open Prayer	Junior Jenkins	Youth
Song Leading	Barry Kingsley	Youth
Close Prayer	Dalton Stephens	Youth
Communion	Josh Chancey	John Painter

	March 16th	March 23rd
Announcements	Barry Kingsley	Rob Burton
Song Leading	Junior Jenkins	Tucker Hall
Prayer	Barry Pritchett	Jason Ledford

If you cannot serve, please contact Garry Rittenberry. Copies of all sermons from our pulpit are available on CD for \$1.00 Request sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

Let Us Rise Up and Build

Envelopes are available on the back of the pews to make your donation to the Building Fund for the new Fellowship Hall/Education Building. Total funds through 2/29/16 in the Building and Emergency Fund total \$258,150.36. "FILL A CAN" ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP.

Free Bible Correspondence is available by contacting the church office or Judy Mailen at 706-636-3960.

Week of March 6th

Contribution.....	\$8196
Budget.....	\$6900
Weekly Average YTD.....	\$7203
Bible Study.....	146
AM Worship.....	226
PMWorship.....	169
Wednesday Evening.....	140

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Elders
Bob Burton
Curtis Kingsley
Mark Pettit

Deacons
Bob Burkewitz
Rob Burton
Nathan Collier
Dennis Dove
George Hall
Tim Hall

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Service Times
Sunday Bible Classes 9:30 AM
Morning Worship 10:30 AM
Evening Worship 6:00 PM
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM



March 13, 2016

Just What He Needed

Rodney Gibson was speeding down a busy highway in Bloomington, Indiana in his truck earlier this month, but he didn't realize it. His mind was focused on something else.

Indiana State Police Sgt. Todd Durnil saw that Gibson was speeding, so he pulled him over. It didn't take Officer Durnil long to see that Gibson was very upset – not about the traffic stop, but about some other thing going on in his life. Gibson explained with tears in his eyes that his daughter was recently told the breast cancer she'd been battling for six years had metastasized and that she likely wasn't going to make it. He had been agonizing over that news and didn't realize how fast he was driving.

On his way back to his patrol car, Durnil said his first thought was that Gibson really needed prayers. He planned to tell his family and church to pray for Gibson. "I also thought, this man already has enough. I'm not going to write him any paperwork for a ticket or even a warning," he said. "When I walked back to his truck, I explained everything. He still seemed agitated, but not as bad, and he apologized, saying, 'I'm sorry. I usually don't act this way, I've just been going through a lot.'"

Durnil then asked Gibson if there was anything else if he could do for him and Gibson asked, "Do you know how to pray?"

"Here I was thinking this man needs prayer, and now he's asking me for a prayer," Durnil said. "The good Lord put us together for a purpose." Durnil then went over to the right side of the semi, took his hat off, knelt down, took Gibson's hand and said a prayer. Both the men had tears in their eyes, Durnil said.

Gibson deserved a ticket for speeding. But what he needed was someone with compassion who would pray with him. Sgt. Durnil gave him what he needed, not what he deserved. Having transgressed the law of God, each of us deserves the punishment for sin: death. "For the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). But what we need is forgiveness and hope. What we NEED is the grace of God.

God loves us so much that despite the fact that we sin and continue to fall short of His glory (Romans 3:23), He gave His One and Only Son to die on the cross for our sins (John 3:16). Through His atoning sacrifice, we can be forgiven of our sins and receive the gift of eternal life. Because of His great love for us, God longs to give us what we need (GRACE) instead of what we deserve (PUNISHMENT).

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In our Thoughts and Prayers

Robert Wood is recovering from a dislocated shoulder.

Dianna Burnette has been sick with acute pancreatitis.

Carolyn Howard was released from the hospital and is recovering at home from surgery.

Geneva Holloway has been moved to Gilmer Nursing Home, room 105, to undergo physical therapy. The address is 1362 Main Street, Room 105, Ellijay 30540

Billy Teems, Mary's husband, is recovering at home from open heart surgery.

Dennis Nicholson continues to recover from surgery for cancer. Dennis & Brenda's address is 55 Nickel Road, Jasper 30143.

Perlie Mae Sluder, Abby Chancey's mom, is in need of prayers. If you would like to send Ms. Sluder a card, her address is 4653 Boardtown Road, Ellijay, 30540.

Kathy Holloway has 2 more treatments and will then go back to the hospital for a very extensive stem cell treatment and massive chemo. Please keep Kathy and Benny in your prayers. Their address is PO Box 1972, Chatsworth 30705.



FAMILY & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Seth Carswell, Eli Chastain, Reid Cochran, Steven Giannone, Corey Henry, Jonathan Hensley, Zach Hill, Wayne Jones, Jacob Mahaffey, Evan Pankey, William Pettit, Wilson Pettit, Winston Pettit, Frankie Silva, Canio Sequevia-Cuevas, Eric Spisak, David Taylor, Cameron Trammell, Matthew Upshaw, Kourtney Weeks

Nursing Home Family

Pauline Mullinax, Gladys Logan Shultz

Cameron Hall Family

Polly Cochran, Alice Crow

CANCER PATIENTS

Dennis Nicholson, Charles Weeks, Billy Stells, Donald Watkins, Treet Tilley, Jewell Green, Doris Dean, Carol Stanley, Lisa Macy, Brandy Nicholson, Carolyn McTyre, Jeff Hunter, Susie Rep

OTHERS TO REMEMBER

Tom Hall, Phillip Johnson, Jeff Carns, Alan & Barbara Cox, Barbara McKee, Zach Pritchett, Lamar Gorman, Bill & Ann Burkett, Gladys Holloway, Opal Corbin, Richard Neal, Genell Cantrell, Edith Hensley, CiCi Rivera, Geneva Holloway, Luisa Varin, Jeremy Ferrell, Hayes Tate, Billy Teems, Brandon Nelson, Glenell Fricks

"Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success." —Henry Ford

"In the final analysis it is not what you do for your children but what you have taught them to do for themselves that will make them successful human beings." —Ann Landers

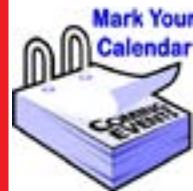
"What a child does not receive, he can seldom later give." —P. D. James

"Teach your child to hold his tongue; he'll learn fast enough to speak." —Benjamin Franklin

"The work will wait while you show your child the rainbow, but the rainbow won't wait while you do the work." —Patricia Clafford

"Who of us is mature enough for offspring before the offspring themselves arrive? The value of marriage is not that adults produce children but that children produce adults." —Peter De Vries, The Tunnel of Love

"With all thy getting get understanding" Proverbs 4:7



TODAY - Youth Rally at Adairsville

14th - New Georgia School of Preaching class starts. Monday evenings for 7 weeks.

15th - Ladies Weekly Bible Study, 9:30 AM - 11 AM

20th - C-Squad Easter Egg hunt. ETC Pavilion from 12 PM - 2 PM. Lunch will be provided. See more info below.

20th - Young Men in charge of evening service.

21st - Georgia School of Preaching class

24th - Men's Devo, 9:00 AM

25th - 27th - Lads to Leaders Convention in Atlanta

27th - 4th Sunday Night Singing Service

Butch Jones will be preaching at Blue Ridge AM & PM on March 20th and 27th. He will still teach his Bible class at Ellijay those two Sunday's.



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Kell Weaver - 14th
Greg Burrell - 15th
Dianne Miller - 15th
William Pettit - 16th
Sandra Bohannon - 17th

Dennis & Darla Dove - 15th
Reid & Jessica Cochran - 19th
Jason & Candy Ledford - 19th
William & Kristen Parker - 19th



Congratulations to Crystal Hulseley on her decision to be baptized. Please encourage her as she begins her new walk with Christ.

We are needing individually wrapped snacks for L2L. There will be a box in the foyer to put items or if you would like to donate money, please see Tim Hall.



Christians sometimes sell the grace of God short. While we intellectually know that grace is undeserved, we sometimes tend to limit God's grace to the more "deserving sinner." You know, the guy who is trying to do right but makes "ordinary" mistakes. But that's our problem. There's no such thing as a deserving sinner.

The guy who walks too close to the mud hole and gets a little mud on the sides of his shoes is just as defiled and unfit for heaven as the guy who wallowed in the mud hole. Yet we sometimes seem to forget this truth. Friends, God's grace isn't for those who have most things under control but just need a little extra help. Rather His grace is for the helpless, and that includes all men whether they have just a little mud on their shoes or are covered from head to toe.

**C-Squad Easter Egg Hunt
At ETC Pavilion
Sunday March 20
12 PM - 2 PM
Lunch will be provided
Please bring candy filled eggs**

**See Wendy Jones
for questions**

Maybe we need to be reminded of what we sing,

Just as I am, without one plea,
But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Just as I am, and waiting not,
To rid my soul of one dark blot;
To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Instead of limiting God's grace, let's lift our voices and give thanks that God's grace reaches even me!
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