

CELEBRATION WORSHIP
SANCTUARY
9:00 A.M.

✚ - When you see this symbol, we ask that you stand, if able.

Chiming of the Hour	Becky Mozo-Adams
Prelude	<i>The Solid Rock</i> (arr. Curry) Becky Mozo-Adams
Call to Worship	Seth Brown
✚ Hymn 395	<i>Open My Eyes, That I May See</i> SCOTT
Welcome	Seth Brown
Scripture Reading	

Mark 10: 46-52

When they reached Jericho, and as Jesus and his disciples left town, a large crowd followed him. A blind beggar named Bartimaeus (son of Timaeus) was sitting beside the road. When Bartimaeus heard that Jesus of Nazareth was nearby, he began to shout, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” “Be quiet!” many of the people yelled at him. But he only shouted louder, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” When Jesus heard him, he stopped and said, “Tell him to come here.” So they called the blind man. “Cheer up,” they said. “Come on, he’s calling you!” Bartimaeus threw aside his coat, jumped up, and came to Jesus. “What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked. “My Rabbi,” the blind man said, “I want to see!” And Jesus said to him, “Go, for your faith has healed you.” Instantly the man could see, and he followed Jesus down the road.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Special Music *Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound* Sanctuary Choir

Pastoral Prayer Steven Norris

At the conclusion of the prayer:

*Our Father, who 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,
 And the power, and the glory forever.
 Amen.*

✚ Hymn 280 *Speak, O Lord* SPEAK, O LORD

Offertory Prayer Hoby Davenport

Musical Offering Becky Mozo-Adams

How Can I Keep from Singing (arr. Vogt)

✚ Presentation of the Offering *The Doxology* OLD 100TH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;
 Praise Him, above ye heavenly host;
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Time for Children Steven Norris

Testimony in Song *Lord of the Small* Erin Clarke

*Praise to the Lord of the small broken things,
 who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing
 who loves the lame child and the wretch in the street
 who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet.
 Praise to the Lord of the faint and afraid
 who girds them with courage and lends them His aid,
 He pours out his spirit on vessels so weak,
 that the timid can serve and the silent can speak.
 Praise to the Lord of the frail and the ill
 who heals their afflictions or carries them till,
 they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly.*

to never be sick and never to die.

*Praise him, O praise Him all ye who live
 who’ve been given so much and can so little give
 our frail lipsing praise God will never despise-
 He sees His dear children through mercy-filled eyes.*

Sermon *A New Priority: Where the Blind Can See* Steven Norris

✚ Hymn 504 *I Am Thine, O Lord* I AM THINE

Benediction Steven Norris

Postlude Becky Mozo-Adams

Minister Appreciation Month

During October, we celebrate our ministers. On October 31st, we will recognize our ministers with a special gift. If you would like to show your gratitude to Steven, Erin, Seth, or Ellee, we will have baskets available in both worship services to receive cards and tokens of appreciation. You can also deliver them to the church during the week or send them by mail to P.O. Box 908, Griffin, GA 30224.

Fall Festival— Family, Friends, and Fellowship at its Best!

Please join us October 27th at Tobesofkee Farm in Barnesville, GA (Ann Walker’s place) for an evening of fellowship, games, and tasty treats. We are hosting a chili cook-off (with prizes!), a cake walk (YUM!), bingo, S’mores over a campfire, pumpkin & face painting, games, storytelling and hayrides! Sign up to compete for bragging rights for your chili, to bring a dessert, or to get a ride to the event at <https://fbcgriffin.cbcchurch.com/goto/forms/69/responses/new>.

“Staff Infection” at the Coffeehouse

Don’t reach for the antibiotics—this “Staff Infection” is composed of musicians you know well and they are ready to entertain you with some seasonally appropriate tunes at our October 29th coffeehouse concert. We will have tasty treats, coffees, hot cocoa, and more. You don’t want to miss it!

Wednesday Nights @ FBC

We will not have our regular Wednesday night meal on October 27th — come on out to our Fall Festival at Tobesofkee Farm instead and enjoy chili, games, S’mores and more!

Student Ministry: DNOW Weekend

November 12-14th: Many of your students will be challenged to examine their lives and how effectively they’re embracing the “life” Christ made possible for them through this weekend event. Contact Seth Brown for more information (sethbrown@fbcgriffin.org).

Clothes Closet Update

The Clothes Closet will not be accepting donations at this time. Thank you to all who support this ministry, but our closet is currently full. We will let you know when we are able to accept donations again.

2022 Church Family Camping/Glamping

We’re headed to Fort McAllister State Park on Winter Break in February 2022 for a camping/glamping experience. Won’t you come along? FBC will host a shrimp boil on Monday evening, February 21, complete with S’mores and ukulele songs. Bring a side salad or dessert to share. Book your site now! Visit our website for more information on the trip: <https://fbcgriffin.org/camping-glamping-weekend/>

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and to honor our heroic educators by the Alpha Tau chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa.

If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one, please call Pam Godard. (Home 770-228-9426 or Cell 770-468-0908)

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Erin Clarke
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Bruce Morgan
PASTOR EMERITUS



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Blindness is an unfortunate handicap but true vision does not require the eyes.
—Helen Keller

There’s none so blind as they that won’t see.
—Jonathan Swift

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