

A Note from Pastor Nathan



Greetings and welcome to worship at Sandy Springs Christian Church! Whether you are a first-time visitor, a regular attender or a long-time member, we are so pleased you have chosen to worship with us today. We hope you find this service to be meaningful and that it serves as a sign of God’s living presence in our world!

If you’d like to learn more about our ministry, we invite you to visit our YouTube Page and our website, www.sandyspringscc.org. You can catch up on previous worship services or discover ways in which you might serve through the life of this congregation.

If you are not already, and would like to be included on our email distribution list to receive regular communications about our ministry, please indicate so on the welcome card in your bulletin and drop it in the offering plate. As always, if you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me directly at nathan@sandyspringscc.org.

Again, on behalf of the people of Sandy Springs Christian Church and the God who invites us all to the table, welcome to worship. We hope to see you again soon.

Peace,

Rev. Dr. Nathan C. Brown, Senior Minister

Sept. 4, 2022	Koinonia	10:15 am
Countdown		
Welcome and Announcements		Bryant Gibson
Prelude	“Voluntary in C” Henry Heron	Ella Lewis
Bringing the Light of Christ		Acolytes
Call to Worship		Dottie Gill, Worship Leader
Leader: Hear the choices God sets before us: life and prosperity or death and adversity. ALL: O God, you have searched us and known us. You know our thoughts and every move we make. Leader: Listen to the ordinances of our God; love God and walk in the way God commands. ALL: O God, we will listen for your words. We will seek to walk on the paths you intend. Leader: Happy are those who delight in God’s law; blessed are all who meditate on God’s Word. ALL: Wonderful are all your works, O God. We are your creation; we are in your hands.		
Opening Hymn		#x – v. 1
	“X”	
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer		Bryant Gibson
<i>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.</i>		
Worship Through Music		x
	“X”	
Invitation to Children’s Worship		
At this time, children ages three through 3 rd grade are invited to meet the children’s worship leader in the back of the Sanctuary for Children’s Worship. They will return to the sanctuary for communion.		
Scripture		Dottie Gill
	Philemon 1:1-21 NRSV	
Message		Bryant Gibson
	“Koinonia”	
Silent Reflection		
Call to Giving		Dottie Gill

Offertory	“Amazing Grace” arr. Robert J. Hughes	Ella Lewis
*Doxology	<i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above ye heavenly hosts: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost, Amen</i>	#46
Blessing Our Gifts		David McGahee, Elder
Invitation to the Table		Rev. Teddy Ivey
Prayer for Bread and Cup		Dottie Gill, Elder
Words of Institution		Rev. Teddy Ivey
Communion	(Please come to the front, take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and partake. For gluten free - please take your elements from the communion table and come to one of the serving elders or ministers for a blessing if you wish.)	
Welcome to Visitors		Dottie Gill
Visitors please come by the Welcome desk in the lobby for a gift and information. Thank you for visiting.		
Disciples Affirmation		Bryant Gibson
<i>As Disciples, we believe God calls us to be and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ, witnessing, loving and serving from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth.</i>		
SSCC Mission	<i>Sandy Springs Christian Church shares God’s love through inclusivity, service, and spiritual growth.</i>	
*Closing Hymn		#x – v. 1
	“X”	
*Benediction		Bryant Gibson
Postlude	“If You But Trust in God to Guide You” Setting, Paul Manz	Ella Lewis
*All that are able please stand.		
One flower arrangement was given by Stephen and Tami Brown in memory of Patricia Emerson. The other arrangement was given by Lauren Jones in honor of Milt Hill’s 80th birthday.		
They were designed and arranged by Flowers of Marietta.		