



February 22, 2026 | 1st Sunday in Lent



"When Jesus Failed"

Mark 8:22-38





Check-In

Let us know you are here!

If you have Worshipped with us before and are in the database, scan this QR code with your phone. Put in your name and add any others in attendance this morning.

If you are not in our system, simply fill out the Connect Card you received with your bulletin this morning.



Connect Card

Use the Connect Card to let us know you are Worshipping with us, update your information, or submit a prayer request. Please make a note of who is in attendance in your family - each family member does not need to fill out a card. You can place this card in the Offering baskets as they come by during the service or you can place them in the offering boxes location in the Narthex or the Connector. If your prayer request is confidential in nature, feel free to hand the Connect Card directly to the pastor at the end of the service.



Wi-fi Network: "Cannon Family", Password: CCConnect



Hearing Assistance Available. Upgraded devices are available for those who need them. Please see Mark in the sound booth.



For information on Children's Ministry, contact Ambermarie Schweikhardt (ambermaries@cannonchurch.org)

Join us Sunday Mornings at 9:30 or 11am for our Kids Service



For information on Youth Ministry, contact Katie Gray (katieg@cannonchurch.org or 678.501.6413).

Join us Sunday mornings at 9:30 for Youth Sunday School, 4pm for Youth Praise Band, and 5pm Sunday Evenings for Youth Group.



Make a Joyful Noise - Come join the Music Ministry!

Worship Choir: rehearses Wednesday @ 7pm

Praise Band: rehearses Monday @ 7:30pm

Orchestra: rehearses Monday @ 6:30pm

Handbells: rehearses Wednesday @ 6pm

Email Dr. Will Whittaker (willw@cannonchurch.org) with questions!

Order of Worship

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Welcome		Rev. Tim Emmett Pastor
Announcements		Carolyn Clevenger
Call to Worship		
Opening Hymn	"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"	Mike Gaul, Orchestra, Worship Choir, & Dr. Will Whittaker, Director of Music Ministries
Opening Prayer		
The Apostles' Creed		
The Gloria Patri		
Children's Message		

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Choral Anthem	"Then Will the Very Rocks Cry Out"	
Scripture	Daniel 7:13-14	Terry Dwyer
Message	"When Jesus Failed" Mark 8:22-38 <i>The Road Less Taken</i>	Rev. Tim Emmett Pastor

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

Congregational Song " 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"
of Response

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's 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.

Invitation to Give

Offertory Music "Praise God Doxology"

Doxology

Offertory Prayer

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD

Congregational Hymn "It is Well with My Soul"

Benediction

Song of Response "On Eagle's Wings"

Postlude



The Road Less Taken

A few possible next steps

Would you like to follow Jesus through the Gospel of Mark? Pause briefly each day to read, reflect, practice, and pray!

READ

We're getting ready for Easter by walking with Jesus through the gospel of Mark, "the road less taken" when it comes to the gospels. What have we missed, and what are we missing, when we don't follow Jesus through the Gospel of Mark? What will we discover, and how will we be changed, when we walk with Jesus on this road less taken to Easter this year?

Monday: Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday: Mark 2:23-3:6

Wednesday: Mark 3:7-35

Thursday: Mark 4:1-33

Friday: Mark 4:35-41

Saturday: Mark 5:1-20

Sunday: Catch up on your reading!

REFLECT

Our goal this Lent is to hear the voice of God by reading and reflecting on the Gospel of Mark. Toward that end, each week we'll suggest a specific approach to reflecting on the Scriptures you have read. This week, put yourself in the sandals of the people in the story by following these prompts from Pete Greig:

You might also wonder, "Where am I in this story? What's my viewpoint? Am I in the crowd? Among the disciples? Alongside the Pharisees? The person being healed? Now try rereading the story from an alternate perspective, identifying with another person. As you circle the story in this way, bringing it to life by working the angles and reading between the lines, you will prime new possibilities within yourself, creating space for God to speak in ways that will sometimes exceed anything you could have conceived without him. (*How to Hear God*, p.104)

PRACTICE

In addition to reading and reflecting on the Gospel of Mark, take a moment to turn the Scriptures into prayer. As Mark Batterson observes, "Scripture is God's way of initiating a conversation: prayer is our response." (*The Circle Maker*, p.94). As you read and reflect on the Scripture for the day, pay attention to the way it is shaping your response. It may lead you to rejoice or perhaps to repent; to pray for others or yourself; to pray for healing, deliverance or daily bread. Give special attention to those times when the passage invites you to stop and rest in the presence of God, enjoying his presence, grace, mercy, and love.

PRAY

Before reading the Scripture for the day, prepare your heart by pausing to pray this classic prayer:

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant me so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that I may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen. (The Collect of the Day, Proper 28, *The Book of Common Prayer*)



SE Gwinnett Co-op Donations

Most Needed Item for February: Pancake Syrup

Each month, each church will be focused on one item for donation to the SEGC. For February, Cannon's item is **Pancake Syrup**. While all items are still welcome, Pancake Syrup will be the item they most need from us.



Place your donations in the bins at the lower level entrances. Thank you for your generous support of SE Gwinnett Co-op!



Mission of the Month for March is Kairos Prison Ministry

On Communion Sundays (March 1), a special offering is taken to support a Mission of Cannon Church. The Special Offering and Mission of the Month for March will support Kairos Prison Ministry. You can give any time throughout the month.



The mission of Kairos Prison Ministry is to share the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ to impact the hearts and lives of incarcerated men and women to become loving and productive citizens of their communities. Your donations support the purchase of supplies and food used in the events that occur every month in the prisons where we serve.

You can make a financial donation online at cannonchurch.org, give, give online and choose Communion Rail Offering, in the Offering plate, or in the boxes located in the Narthex and the Connector.



Have a Heart for the Hungry

For those who would still like to help, we're providing another opportunity - Feb. 21-22 for bag distribution and Feb. 28 - Mar. 1 for pick up.

Supplies are available in the Connector after the services and in the Main entrance reception area Mondays-Thursdays 9am-3pm. Or you can help by bringing donated items to the Co-op barrels during February.

Sign up or questions? Contact Doug Schendel
(dougschendel@icloud.com or 770.687.1710)



Best of Gwinnett 2025

We are thrilled to announce that Cannon Church Summer Camp, Cannon Church Preschool, AND Cannon United Methodist Church were chosen as Best of Gwinnett 2025 winners in our respective categories!



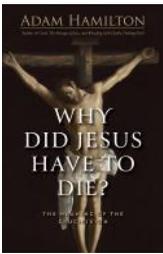
2026 Preschool Registration

Registration for the 2026/27 school year is open.

Please contact us to schedule a tour:

Heather Gallagher - 678.501.6442 | preschool@cannonchurch.org

Mollita Jackson - 678.501.6442 | mollitaj@cannonchurch.org



Why Did Jesus Have to Die?

A New Bible Study in Lent

Starting Wednesday, February 25 at 10am and 6pm, Pastor Tim will lead a six-session study on the meaning of the crucifixion by Adam Hamilton.

This is a great study for anyone who wants to be changed by the costly, beautiful shape of God's love. The book is available through most online book sellers. Register today at cannonchurch.org, Registrations.



Lent Opportunities

In addition to the Bible Study in Lent, there are a couple of opportunities you are invited to read or listen to the Lenten 40-Day Bible Reading Plan - you can get your bookmark at the Welcome Center and/or listen to the Podcast which will be posted on social media and emailed.



Prayer Shawl Meeting

Calling all those who enjoy crocheting and knitting! The Prayer Shawl Ministry invites you to bring your needles and yarn and join us on the second Monday of each month at 7pm in the Staff Conference Room (1st floor-enter at the Main entrance). For information or to request a shawl for someone, call Carol Upreti (404.731.0835).



Cannon Appreciates Our Staff

The Staff Parish Relations Committee will be celebrating the tremendous work done by all of our staff.

Small groups at Cannon will be preparing gift baskets for presentation to our Church Staff. If you are not a member of a small group and wish to contribute monetarily, you can do so online (cannonchurch.org, Give, Give Online & choose Staff Appreciation), in the offering baskets passed at Sunday Worship, or in the boxes in the Narthex and Connector. Please mark your checks with “Staff Appreciation”.

There will be Thank You cards available for you to write individual notes to staff. These are located in the Narthex and can also be put into the boxes in the Narthex and Connector.

Any contribution to this effort will be greatly appreciated.

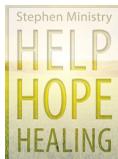
Indoor / Outdoor Spring Work Day - March 14 | 9am-2pm

Help us beautify the Cannon Campus (inside and outside) for our visitors and church family. Volunteers are needed! Join us on March 14, beginning at 9am - stay as long as you can.



There will be opportunities for everyone to help! Bring any cleaning equipment / outdoor tools that you have available.

Come help spruce up the campus for Holy Week and Easter!



Are you going through a difficult time?

To learn how you can receive a Stephen Minister at Cannon, please contact Jan Dwyer (678.501.6413 or jand@cannonchurch.org).



Join the Team! We are looking for Multimedia Volunteers!

Are you interested in entering the media industry or would like to learn how to operate in a studio-like environment? Come check out Cannon’s Multimedia Ministry. Responsibilities would be on Sunday morning during Worship (need to be here 20 minutes prior to service) and include operating the camera controller and assisting the Director. Please email Miles at miles@cannonchurch.org for more information.



For information on Children's Ministry
 Contact: Ambermarie Schweikhardt (ambermaries@cannonchurch.org)

JOIN US SUNDAY MORNINGS

9:30AM

- Nursery (0-3 years)
- Combined 4-year-old through 5th Grade Sunday School Hour

11AM SUNDAY MORNING KIDS' SERVICE

- Nursery (0-3 years)
- **NEW** Pre K-K (ages 4,5,6) – Class in the Nursery hallway, Room 123. An age-appropriate Bible Lesson will be provided with Worship, games, crafts, and other activities! We are excited for you to join us!
- 1st-5th Grade will begin in the Sanctuary and then be dismissed downstairs to resume a morning of Bible, games, and activities.



For information on Youth Ministry
 Contact Katie Gray
 678.501.6414
 katieg@cannonchurch.org

CANNON YOUTH CALENDAR

weekly sunday schedule

- 9:30am Combined Confirmation/ Sunday School**
- 4pm Praise Band Practice**
- 5-7pm Youth Group**

Scan to sign up to feed our Youth

Prayer List

February

Prayer Focus:

Renewed faith,
spiritual growth,
and God's
guidance

February Mission

Prayer Focus:

UMCOR / Have a
Heart for the
Hungry

*In an effort to keep the Prayer List up-to-date, please submit updates to any requests currently posted, including the Armed Forces section. **New Concerns** will run for three weeks unless an update is submitted. **Ongoing Concerns** will run for three months unless an update is submitted.

New Concerns (Listed for 3 weeks)

- Ethan Manley – peace, calm for him, and continued wisdom for those that are assessing his heart health
- Andrew Cloakey – has a disability and recently moved out on his own. I pray he has success in life and God's protection
- Tony N – having heart surgery for placement of pacemaker
- Vivian – for relief from pain, for strength, courage, and hope while awaiting more testing and possible surgery
- Suzanne – pray for my son to lose weight safely and healing from past hurts
- Jeff- eradicate bacteria and complete healing
- Richard White – several set-backs during chemo for colon cancer. Hoping for surgery to remove tumors but more chemo may be needed first
- Our family – prayers for young couple facing dire pregnancy complications
- Jonathan Smith – had double bypass surgery on 1-6-26. Stage 4 kidney disease. Not doing well – he is 40 years old
- Our adult children – Steven II (divorce), Cameron (job/mental health), and Alyssa (stress/school)
- Baby Violet – prayers as she waits for heart transplant
- Becky White – kidney stone – pray for it to pass quickly with little pain
- Chuck - hip problem
- Steve Smith – cancer of pancreas
- Charlie – has an inoperable brain tumor – biopsy done
- Pray for a complete cure of cancer. Let God's healing touch to be upon me. Bring me back to a state of renewed health
- Mistie - treatment plan
- Ray – lung cancer
- Sherry W – Guillain Barre
- Adam – lung cancer
- Julie – lung cancer
- Austin Rainville – praying that his next therapy will start very soon. A tumor is still growing
- Friend / neighbor – cancer / pancreas
- Ray Gresham – fell and hurt knee
- Yukari Roberts – passing of her husband, Robert
- Kerry Grantham – foot surgery

- Seth – just graduated with MA in English language teaching and looking for a job overseas – pray for absolute clarity from the Lord as to what country, location, schools, etc
- Pray for woman O. to get many more offers for the cat Tina, owners don't want to keep them – otherwise, pet will be euthanized
- Judy Travis – recovering from pneumonia

Our Sympathy to (Listed for 3 weeks)

- Chris and Apryl Koch and their family after the death of his father, Ricky Koch
- The Travis family and friends on the death of Audrey Travis

Praises (Listed for 3 weeks)

- Gwen – as she completes 12 weeks of chemo

Ongoing Concerns (Listed for 3 months)

- Deloris Mims – need prayer for healing
- Eric Schott – health concerns
- Carol – prayers for healing – ongoing treatments

Armed Forces

- Lt. Colonel Lane Daigle (USMC) – Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
- Major Jon Brown (Air Force) – Eglin AFB, FL
- ABFC Parker Travis (Navy) – Pensacola, Florida
- Christian Peterson (Navy)
- Staff Sgt. Jeff Wells (Army) – Syria
- Drew Moseley (Navy) – Whidbey Island Naval Air Station
- Levi Reulecke (Navy) – Chief Master at Arms – stationed in Guam
- Nate Smith LCpL (Marines) – stationed at Camp Hansen, Okinawa Japan
- Capt. Grant Capps, MD (Air Force) – Tinker AFB in Oklahoma
- Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) Clay Bagwell – Aviation Task Force Commander

Missionaries

- Our missionaries in Egypt
- Donald and Cristy Stretch and family (Dominical, Costa Rica)

How Can I Give?



Your generosity enables our church to continue its mission and ministry.
Thank you for your faithful support!

Ways to Give

Offering Baskets

Place your offering in the baskets as they are passed through the pews during the service. This is a way to give and participate in the worship experience.

Designated Giving Boxes

Offering boxes are located in the Narthex and Connector for your convenience. You can drop your contribution before or after the service.

Online Giving

Give securely online through the website: cannonchurch.org, Give, Give Online
Online giving allows you to set up a pledge, recurring donations, or make one-time gifts.

Mail Your Gift

You are also welcome to mail your gift to the church at:

2424 Webb Gin House Road
Snellville, GA 30078

Please make your checks payable to
Cannon United Methodist Church.

Your gifts support our ministries, outreach, and day-to-day functions of the church. We are grateful to you for your continued generous support.

THIS WEEK ^{at} a GLANCE



Sunday, February 22

- 9:30am Adult Sunday School
- 9:30am Youth Confirmation / Sunday School
- 9:30am Cannon Kids
- 11am Worship Service
- 12:30pm Church Council
- 4pm Youth Praise Band
- 5pm Youth Group

Monday, February 23

- 9am Pray for Cannon at the Chapel in the Woods
- 6pm Boy Scouts
- 6pm Pray for Cannon at the Chapel in the Woods
- 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Meeting
- 6:30pm Orchestra Rehearsal
- 7pm Alcoholics Anonymous
- 7pm Families Anonymous
- 7:30pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Tuesday, February 24

- 8am Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study
- 6:30pm Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, February 25

- 10am Why Did Jesus Have to Die? Bible Study for Lent
- 12pm Pray for Cannon at the Chapel in the Woods
- 6pm Why Did Jesus Have to Die? Bible Study for Lent
- 6pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 7pm Worship Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 26

- 8:30am Boy Scouts Fundraising Meeting
- 6pm SPRC Meeting
- 7pm Alcoholics Anonymous

Saturday, February 28

- 7:30am Men's Bible Study
- 9am Diamond in the Rough
- 7:45pm Narcotics Anonymous

Sunday, March 1

- 9:30am Adult Sunday School
- 9:30am Youth Confirmation / Sunday School
- 9:30am Cannon Kids
- 11am Worship Service
- 4pm Youth Praise Band
- 5pm Youth Group

Meet Our Staff

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