

# The Worship of God

January 6, 2013

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

Eleven O'Clock

The worship of God begins with the music of the organ. We encourage you to use this time for meditation and reflection. Please refrain from conversation which would disturb others. Following the service, greet our visitors and share your friendship with those around you. Wireless hearing aids are available in the narthex.

## PREPARATION AND PRAISE

ORGAN PRELUDE: Pastorale

In Dulci Jubilo

Archangelo Corelli

Johann Michael Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Go Tell It

Timothy Albrecht

CHORAL INTROIT

Old German Tune/harm. M. Praetorius

A great and mighty wonder, a full and holy cure! Repeat the hymn again!  
'To God on high be glory, and peace on earth to men!'

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 149: "Angels from the Realms of Glory"

REGENT SQUARE

*(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Be joyful in the Lord, always. I repeat: Be joyful in the Lord!

**People: Sing aloud, daughters of faith, shout with joy you sons of hope!**

Minister: Be joyful in the Lord, always. I repeat: Be joyful in the Lord!

**People: Laugh and celebrate with all your heart, children of God!**

\* THE GLORIA PATRI

ADESTE FIDELES

**Glory to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; Praise we the Trinity – Three in one;**

**Sing alleluia! Welcome the Messiah; O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,**

**O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!**

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

ADORATION "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

17<sup>th</sup> Century English Melody/arr. John Rutter

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, our dear God made them all. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings: God made their glowing colors, and made their tiny wings. *Emory Pittman, soloist*

## FAMILY DEDICATION

*Today we celebrate the dedication of Michael-Jon McRae Tillman II,  
born on May 30, 2012 to Greyson and Michael Tillman.*

HOMILY

THE COVENANT

Minister: Do you parents present your child before God, in solemn dedication?

*Parents: We do.*

Minister: Do you commit yourselves as parents to bring up your child in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

*Parents: We do.*

Minister: Do you promise to instruct your child in the teachings of Jesus Christ and in the practice of prayer, and to provide guidance in the development of a Christlike character?

*Parents: We do.*

Minister: Do you promise, to the best of your ability, so to shape your home life, by your words and by your example, that your child will naturally come to an open confession of Christ as Lord and enter into the fellowship and service of the church?

*Parents: We do.*

Minister: As a congregation, what pledge do you make to these parents?

**People: We rejoice in this new life that has come into your family, and we pledge to you our support, encouragement, and prayers as you seek to raise your child in a Christian home. We further pledge to do our part in nurturing your child's growing faith through worship, teaching, and service.**

THE UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**O God, our heavenly Parent, we have received our children in trust from you. Acting as stewards of this holy trust, help us to love our children unselfishly, and to guide them into righteous living. We pledge our lives to the fulfillment of this holy calling, and pray for your divine help through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

THE BLESSING OF THE CHILD

ANTHEM: "Holy Angels"

Sara Thomsen

You are held by holy angels. Holy angels all around you. Hush now, sleep child, sing the holy angels.

We are holding you. You can rest. Morning will come, child, the dawn will break thru the darkness.

We are holding you thru the light of the new born day. Loo, loo, loo.

## MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 60:1-6

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 144: "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

ST. LOUIS

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Greensleeves

Janet Linker

\* THE DOXOLOGY

AWAY IN A MANGER

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise God all creatures here below.**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host.**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

*We give thanks for the teachers, volunteers, and nursery workers who teach and care for our children.*

*A young person brings forward a blanket and places it on the altar.*

## PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Come with Rejoicing"

arr. Mark Sedio

Come with rejoicing, loud praises voicing born is Christ, the Savior. Kneel here before him, shepherds adore him, God's own purest treasure. There in the stable, manger a cradle, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Blest gift from heaven, to us is given, worship now and ever. *Angels are singing with jubilation, welcome the Child, creation's salvation, sing the joyful story, tell the wondrous glory, alleluia, Jesus is born!*

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 2:1-12

SERMON: "Re-Gifting"

Dr. Wright

## THE CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

THE APPROACH TO THE TABLE: "Ave Verum Corpus"

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

*Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine,* Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary,  
*Vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine,* Truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross for humanity,  
*Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine,* Whose pierced side flowed with water and blood,  
*Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.* Be for us a foretaste in the trial of death.

UNISON CONFESSION OF SIN

**Forgive us, O Lord, for we have sinned. We confess that the activities and trappings of the Christmas season tire us. We are glad to put up the decorations and clear away the clutter. We admit that the way we celebrate Jesus' birth is a long way from the stable in Bethlehem, but have patience with us and shine the light of your grace on us once again.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD: "This is my body which is broken for you."

THE SHARING OF THE CUP: "This is the new covenant of my blood."

A COVENANT OF FAITH

**I give myself completely to you, God. Assign me to my place in your creation. Let me suffer for you. Give me the work you would have me do. Give me many tasks or have me step aside while you call others. Put me forward or humble me. Give me riches or let me live in poverty. I freely give all that I am and all that I have to you. And now, holy God, Son, and Holy Spirit, you are mine and I am yours. So be it. May this covenant made on earth continue for all eternity. Amen.**  
*from John Wesley's Covenant Renewal Service*

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\* RECESSIONAL HYMN 158: "Her Baby Newly Breathing" MERLE'S TUNE  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*

\* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

\* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Song of the Kings Alexandre Guilmant

\* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Fred Turnage by Norma Turnage, John and Beth Turnage, and Trevor and Tommy Lane.*

**THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP**

Jody C. Wright <i>Senior Minister</i>	Elizabeth Edwards <i>Associate Minister</i>	Amy Shortt <i>Minister of Music</i>
Connor Evans <i>Acolyte</i>	Mark Gansor <i>Organist</i>	Hunter Cuthrell <i>Crucifer</i>

*Children's worship aids are available in the narthex.*

*Bibles and Wireless Hearing Aids are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex.*

*Childcare is available in the Preschool Building.*

**BENEVOLENT OFFERING**

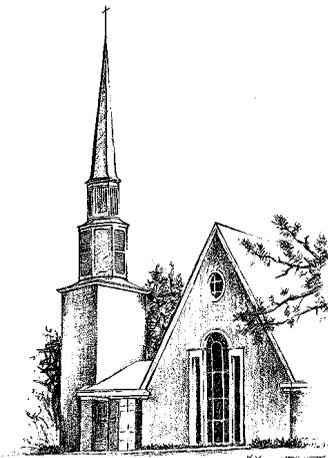
As we do each time we have communion during morning worship, today we will receive a Benevolent Offering for local ministries. Our youth will collect the offering at each of the exits as we leave worship.

**WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS**

We welcome our guests and would like for you to know more about Lakeside Church and its ministry. Members of Lakeside are persons on a journey of faith. Our church seeks to be a worshipping and serving community where the gospel of Jesus Christ is modeled and proclaimed.

Our church is Baptist by tradition and heritage, but in our worship and practice we seek to move beyond the label of a denomination to incorporate the richness of other Christian traditions. In our community service we support many ecumenical ministries that convey God's love beyond the lines of any denomination.

We receive members by affirmation of their faith or by transfer from other Christian churches. We honor the previous baptism of persons coming to Lakeside from other Christian denominations. If you are interested in knowing more about our church and its ministries, please fill out a guest card or speak to one of the ministers or members.



*Worship  
at  
Lakeside*

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