

The Worship of God

January 18, 2015

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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 and turn off or silence all electronic devices. Following the service, greet our visitors and share your friendship with those around you.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

ORGAN PRELUDE: Aria
Processional

Charles Callahan
William Mathias

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: The Lord's My Shepherd

Benjamin M. Culli

CHORAL INTROIT

Samuel S. Wesley

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.

For it is thou Lord, thou Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

Psalms 5:8 and 4:8

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 709: "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

AUSTRIAN HYMN

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness.

People: And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

Minister: Therefore God highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name,

People: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATORIX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Franz Joseph Haydn/arr. Charles F. Manning

Great and glorious is the Lord in majesty; call upon him, mighty and loving, glorious ever in majesty.

(Ushers will seat those waiting.)

THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS

(see insert)

MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: I Samuel 3:1-10

Minister: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 452:

"Here I Am, Lord"

HERE I AM, LORD

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Cwm Rhondda

J. Bert Carlson

* THE DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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

This morning we give thanks for our Deacons who provide spiritual leadership to our congregation.

The Acolyte places a towel and basin on the altar, reminding us of a Deacon's servant role.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

arr. Austin Lovelace

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways! Reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise. Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace. Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm.

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

John 1:43-51

SERMON:

"Amazing What You Might Find"

Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in the love of God out of which we are created, by which we live, and through which we are granted the gift of life eternal; thus, our only and proper response is complete devotion, demonstrated through the gifts of personality God has given each of us:

We love God with our hearts, bound to the Father in unfailing loyalty and commitment, and opening ourselves to the full range of his emotions;

We love God with our minds, eager to know the fullness of God's reality, unafraid to confront difficult and troubling questions, and believing that the Truth shall set us free;

We love God with our strength, offering the talents, resources, and abilities bequeathed to us in the service of love, thereby becoming the "hands of God."

We love God with our souls, rejoicing in the uniqueness he has created in us, honest about who we are, anticipating who we are yet to become.

We love God by loving one another, celebrating our kinship as children of the Father, and caring for one another's needs.

By our faith, by our attitudes, and through our actions we fulfill the great imperative of our Lord: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind, soul, and strength, and your neighbor as yourself."

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 450: "God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian"

HYFRYDOL

(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on *Divinum Mysterium*

John McCreary

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Carolyn Overton by Ann Winstead, Sue Daughety and their families.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Bo Browder
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Mark Gansor
Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Will Hedgepeth
Crucifer

Lakeside website: lakesidechurchrmt.org

*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.*

The paraments on the altar and pulpit, along with the ministers' stoles, provide us with visual cues about the meaning of our faith. The color of the season of Epiphany is white, reminder of the light that guided the magi and of our own charge to be light to the world. The Celtic Cross with its circle symbolizes the sacrificial love and eternal nature of God. The Acolyte brings light to the altar as a reminder of Christ, the Light of life, and leads us out of the sanctuary as a reminder that we are to take this light to the world. In the same way, we begin and end our worship following the cross as a symbol of God's self-giving love for us all.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS

Worship bags are available in the narthex and have a variety of items that will help to make worship more meaningful for our children. Please return them to the narthex following worship.

BIBLES AND LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AVAILABLE

Bibles and several large print hymnals are available for your convenience and are located in the Prayer Room off the Narthex. Please ask an usher as you enter the sanctuary.

WIRELESS HEARING AIDS

Wireless hearing aids are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex. Please ask an usher to assist you with a set. You may return the hearing aid to the Prayer Room following worship.

TODAY AT LAKESIDE

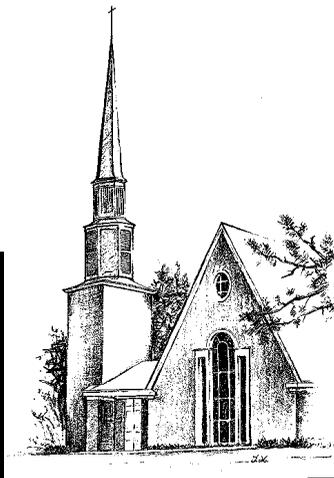
4:00 p.m. Youth Committee Meeting, Godwin Library
5:00 p.m. Preschool Storytime, Children's Missions Activities; Youth Choir
5:45 p.m. Dinner for Preschoolers and Children
6:00 p.m. Dinner for Youth
6:00 p.m. New Deacon Training
6:15 p.m. Preschool Music and Activities, Children's Choir
6:15 p.m. Meeting for all youth and parents, Lecture Room
7:00 p.m. Deacon Banquet and Meeting, Fellowship Hall

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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