

# *The Worship of God*

January 27, 2019

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER 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: Suite in D

Leonardo Vinci

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Sicilienne

Maria-Theresia von Paradis

CHORAL INTROIT

Taizé

The kingdom of God is justice and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Come, Lord, and open in us the gates of your kingdom.

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 284:

“Gather Us In”

GATHER US IN

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

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 19

Minister: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the skies announce the wonders of what God has done.

**People: One day chatters to the next day and every night proclaims what it knows about God.**

Minister: There is no language or words, yet the voice of creation echos throughout the world.

**People: The law of the Lord is perfect and wakens our spirits.**

Minister: God's bidding is virtuous and makes us wise.

**People: God's principles are right and cause our hearts to rejoice.**

Minister: God's commands are clear and enable us to see the world honestly

**People: Reverence of God is pure worship and lasts forever.**

Minister: God's desires are true and right. They are more appealing than gold and sweeter than honey.

**People: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.**

\* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Eric Thiman

O praise God in his holiness; praise him in the firmament of his power.

## CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. We have accepted your gift of intelligence and mistaken it for omniscience. We have handled your gift of wisdom and confused it with power. We have clutched your gift of faith and thought it to be a windfall. We have been gullible to our own needs and desires. Enlighten us to truth; empower us with humility; refresh us with the generosity of your mercy; through Jesus the Christ.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Nehemiah 8

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: “I Love the Lord”

Richard Smallwood/arr. Tom Fettke

I love the Lord, he heard my cry and pitied ev'ry groan. Long as I live, when troubles rise, I'll hasten to his throne. Long as I live, when troubles rise, I'll hasten to his throne.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 322:

“O Word of God Incarnate”

MUNICH

*Children in grades K-5 will leave for Children's Church.*

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Pastoral

Herbert Sumsion

\* 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 custodian, Milton Marrow, who maintains our facilities and prepares our buildings for ministry. The Acolyte brings forward a duster and places it on the altar.*

## PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: “O Praise the Mighty Lord” from *Joshua*

G.F. Handel/arr. Patrick M. Liebergen

O praise the mighty Lord, our God, sing a joyful song. He reigns in majesty, forevermore. O praise the mighty Lord with joyful song. Hallelujah.

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

Luke 4:14-21

SERMON:

“Heard Any Good News Lately?”

Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in the God who created not only the grand and intricate systems of the universe, but also the simple and mundane elements of life. We believe in the God who stands not only outside of time and space, but who stands with us in this immediate time and this particular place. We believe in the God who is not only Lord of heaven and earth, but who also came as a babe to experience the life we live. We believe in the God who is extraordinary in every aspect, especially in the ordinary ways he enters our lives. Blessed be the God of Life.**

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\* RECESSIONAL HYMN 658:

“Restless Weaver”

BEACH SPRING

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

\* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

\* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Psalm XIX: The Heavens Are Telling the Glory of the Lord Benedetto Marcello

\* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Eddie Evans (January 30, 1962 - February 3, 2004) by his parents, Billie and Don Stallings.*

## THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright  
*Senior Minister*  
Ramsey Ward  
*Acolyte*

Elizabeth Edwards  
*Associate Minister*  
Phil Valera  
*Guest Organist*

Amy Shortt  
*Minister of Music*  
Carson Browder  
*Crucifer*

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*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.*

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*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 is green, a reminder of the life of the church and the growth of each believer. The triangle and trefoil are symbols of the Trinity, reminding us that God is revealed to us as Father, Son, and Spirit. In the center is the cross, the key symbol of the Christian faith, summarizing the life and ministry, death and resurrection, incarnation and coming in glory of Jesus the Christ. 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 CHURCH

Children in Kindergarten–Grade 5 are invited to participate in Children's Church with Nancy Parker this morning. They will leave worship during the second hymn and may be picked up following worship in the Youth Building.

### 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

12:15 p.m. . . . . Diaconate Meeting, Conference Room

5:00 p.m. . . . . Cherub Choir and Alleluia Choir

5:45 p.m. . . . . Supper for Preschoolers and Children

6:15 p.m. . . . . Missions and Music

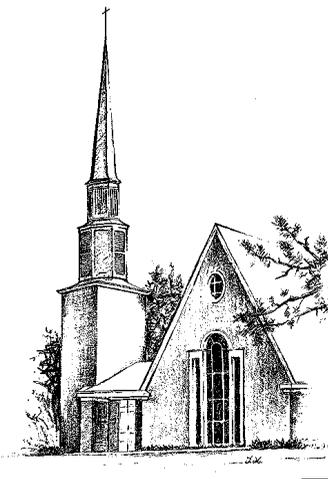
7:15 p.m. . . . . Preschoolers and Children Dismiss

### 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 worshiping 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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