

The Worship of God

February 16, 2014

THE SIXTH 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. 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: Offertoire

Francois Couperin

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Prélude

César Franck

CHORAL INTROIT (*Hymn 283*)

Friedrich Filitz

Jesus, stand among us in your risen power. Let this time of worship be a holy hour. Breathe the Holy Spirit into ev'ry heart. Bid the fears and sorrows from each soul depart.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 23: "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

LAUDA ANIMA

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant.
It will not be like the old covenant:

People: Written on stone.

Minister: This will be a radically new covenant, my laws will be within you,

People: Written on hearts.

Minister: "For I am your God and you are my people."

People: Imprint these words on our hearts, O God, so that we may know you in all your fullness, love you as you love us, and worship you as you deserve.

Minister: With humility, gratitude, and great joy, let us worship the God of our redemption!

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Camille Saint-Saëns

Praise ye the Lord of hosts, sing his salvation; bless his name, show forth his praise in his holy house!
Rejoice, ye heav'ns, and be joyful on earth. Rejoice in the face of the Lord, for he cometh. Alleluia.
(Ushers will seat those waiting.)

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all time and all creation, forgive us. You have offered grace to transform us and make us new, but we confess that there is much of the old still within us. We carry old hurts and anger. We carry old sins that have grown familiar and comfortable and safe. We carry old habits and old ways of thinking that keep you and others at a safe distance. Forgive us, Lord, for sometimes we would rather hold tightly to our sins than risk the transforming power of your love. Forgive us, O God, and make of us new creations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

ANTHEM: "Look at the World"

John Rutter

Look at the world, ev'rything all around us: look at the world, and marvel ev'ry day.

Look at the world: so many joys and wonders, so many miracles along our way.

Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, give us thankful hearts, that we may see:

All the gifts we share, and every blessing, all things come of thee.

Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower; look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain;

look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, valley and flowing river, field and plain.

Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer bringing the harvest before the winter's cold.

Ev'rything grows, ev'rything has a season, till it is gathered to the Father's fold.

Ev'ry good gift, all that we need and cherish comes from the Lord in token of his love;

we are his hands, stewards of all his bounty; his is the earth, and his the heav'ns above.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 713: "God of Our Life" SANDON

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Prelude to Te Deum

Marc-Antoine Charpentier

* 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 CareNet Counseling which offers confidential, faith-based individual, couple, family, and group counseling to the people in our church and community. The Acolyte brings forward the CareNet logo and places it on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Awake My Heart"

Jane M. Marshall

Awake my heart, and render to God thy sure defender, thy maker, thy preserver, a song of love and fervor. Confirm my deeds and guide me: my day with thee beside me, beginning, middle, ending, will all be upward tending. My heart shall be thy dwelling, with joy and gladness swelling, thy word my nurture, given to bring me on toward heaven.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 5:21-37

SERMON: "Straight Talk" Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, the Creator of the universe, the Redeemer of humankind, and the Sustainer of life. We believe in humanity, dust of the earth, made in God's image, driven by dreams, hungry for faith, lonely with doubt, whom God has marked with the power to love or hate, to nurture or kill, and to bless or curse. We believe in Jesus Christ, God Incarnate, flesh of our flesh, bone of our bone, who came to reveal what God is like, and what we can become. We believe that Jesus was crucified and raised from the dead, and that through his victory over sin, death, and the grave we too shall live, and never die. Amen.

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 725: "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand" NATIONAL HYMN
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Come, Holy Ghost J.S. Bach

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in honor of the staff and the music program at Lakeside.*

*The rosebud on the altar is in celebration of the birth of McCoy Campbell Hendrickson,
son of Rebecca and Blake Hendrickson, on February 5 in Raleigh.
Kathy and Stuart Todd are the proud grandparents.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright <i>Senior Minister</i>	Elizabeth Edwards <i>Associate Minister</i>	Amy Shortt <i>Minister of Music</i>
Carson Browder <i>Acolyte</i>	Mark Gansor <i>Organist</i>	Trevor Graham <i>Crucifer</i>

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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.*

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

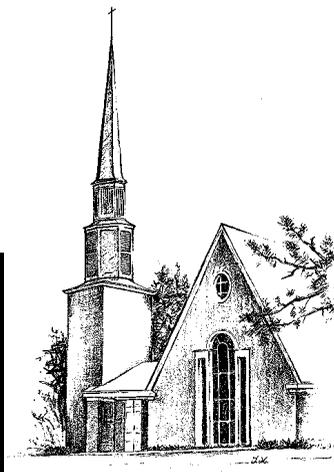
5:00 p.m. Preschool Storytime, Children's Missions Activities
5:00 p.m. Youth Choir and Handbells
5:45 p.m. Dinner for Preschoolers and Children
6:00 p.m. Dinner for Youth
6:15 p.m. Preschool Music and Activities, Children's Choir
6:30 p.m. SNL
7:00 p.m. Diaconate, Conference Room

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.



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