

# *The Worship of God*

## *My Heart as Sanctuary, My Life as Prayer*

March 11, 2018

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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: Grand Plein Jeu Continu & Fugue Grave Jacques Boyvin

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Fugue Grave II Jacques Boyvin

CHORAL INTROIT arr. Kevin Siegfried

Holy, holy, holiness unto the Lord, love ye, love ye, love ye, one another.

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 494: "They'll Know We Are Christians" ST. BRENDAN'S  
*(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Jo Ann Lamm

Deacon: Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

**People: Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.**

Deacon: God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.

**People: Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.**

Deacon: There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love.

**People: We love because he first loved us.** *from I John 4*

\* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION Shaker Tune arr. Kevin Siegfried

Love is little, love is low, love will make my spirit grow. Grow in peace, grow in light, love will do the thing that's right. Love is little, love is low, love will make our spirit grow. Grow in peace, grow in light, love will do the thing that's right.

### MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Leviticus 19:1-18

RESPONSE

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 684: "We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky" HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING  
*Children in grades K-5 will leave for Children's Church.*

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Improvisation Mark Pichowicz

\* THE DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

**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. Amen.**

*This morning we give thanks for our Landscape Committee which keeps our grounds beautiful and reminds us to be good stewards of creation. The Acolyte places pruning shears and a trowel on the altar.*

### PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Lord, Have Mercy" Pepper Choplin

Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy on my brother. Lord, have mercy on my sister. While I'm a-praying down on my knees, Lord, have mercy on me. When we gather 'round a brother who is lyin' on a bed of pain, we're prayin', Lord, won't you lift him up and take his burden away. For the children carin' for their parents, for the mother worry-in' 'bout her child, I'm prayin', Lord, won't you lift them up and give them peace for awhile. I'm praying now, Lord, have-a mercy on the children, Lord, have mercy on the parents, Lord, I'm prayin' for all of these. O Lord, have-a mercy on me. When I'm a-callin', "Lord, Lord," I won't be callin' in vain. When the waters of trouble are risin' up, I'm callin' your name! Hear me prayin' now. O Lord, have-a mercy on me.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 10:25-37

SERMON: "What Do We Love More Than Our Neighbor?" Dr. Wright

### CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of all mercy, we confess that we have failed to live our lives as children created in your image. We have not loved our neighbor nor have we considered one another as sister and brother. We have not welcomed all of your children and thus have not truly welcomed you. We have left stumbling blocks in the way of too many people. Forgive us our sins, and uphold us by your Spirit that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, through our Savior, Jesus Christ.** *silence*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM: "If Ye Love Me" Philip Wilby

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever; E'en the spirit of Truth. And ye know him, for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe that we are created by God,  
gifted with dignity, endowed with purpose,  
and blessed with skills, talents, and opportunities for a full and complete life.  
We believe that God loves and watches over us as our Divine Parent,  
that Jesus came to offer us abundant life now and forever,  
and that the Spirit remains with us as Guardian and Guide.  
We believe that we honor God best in the sanctuary of our hearts  
and bear witness to God's love  
through our prayers brought to life.**

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\* RECESSIONAL HYMN 683: "O For a World" AZMON  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*

\* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

\* ORGAN POSTLUDE: He Who Will Suffer God to Guide Him J.S. Bach

\* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of  
Mac Carpenter by Margaret Carpenter, Jo C. Webb, and Jill C. Ward.*

## THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright  
*Senior Minister*  
Catherine Cobb  
*Acolyte*

Elizabeth Edwards  
*Associate Minister*  
Mark Pichowicz  
*Organist*

Amy Shortt  
*Minister of Music*  
Reynolds Cobb  
*Crucifer*

*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 is purple, used to indicate royalty and suffering alike, a reminder of Christ's kingship and the suffering he endured for us all. The symbol is comprised of the two Greek letters, chi and rho, the first two letters in the Greek word Christos, meaning Christ. Throughout Lent we undertake a journey of self-discovery leading to repentance and renewal. The theme of our worship is "My Heart as Sanctuary, My Life as Prayer," a guide for looking honestly at ourselves and a reminder to live out our faith day by day. 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 Brandy Adkins 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 storage case following worship.

## TODAY AT LAKESIDE

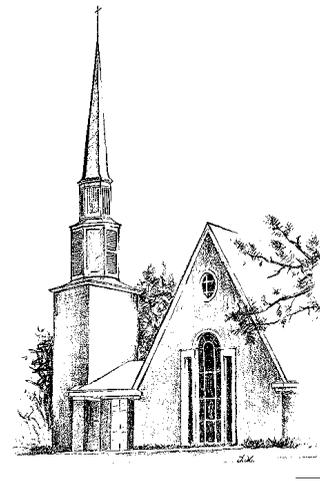
3:45 p.m. . . . Discipleship Class, Conference Room  
5:00 p.m. . . . Preschool Games and Activities  
5:00 p.m. . . . Youth and Children's Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite  
5:45 p.m. . . . Supper for Preschoolers, Children, and Youth  
6:15 p.m. . . . Preschool Storytime, Children's Missions Activities, SNL for Youth

## WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS

We welcome our guests and would like for you to know more about Lakeside Church and its ministry. We the 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 and honor the baptism of persons coming to Lakeside from other Christian denominations. If you would like to know more about our church and its ministries, fill out a guest card or speak to one of the ministers or members.



# Lent at Lakeside

Lakeside Baptist Church  
1501 Sunset Avenue  
Rocky Mount, North Carolina 27804

**PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON  
AND EASTER EGG HUNT  
MARCH 25, 12:00 NOON - ROBBINS HALL**

Join us on Palm Sunday, March 25, for an Easter egg hunt and party. Following worship, we will enjoy a church-wide covered-dish luncheon. Meats and beverages will be provided. Please bring a vegetable, side dish, or dessert. After lunch, all children are invited to take part in the egg hunt, games, and other activities. Each child should bring an Easter basket. Please complete the form below and place it in the offering plate or call the church office if you plan to attend.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending luncheon:

Adults \_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_

**MAUNDY THURSDAY  
SERVICE AND SUPPER  
MARCH 29, 2018**

Our Maundy Thursday service will take place in the sanctuary at 6:30 p.m., on Thursday, March 29. As we recall Christ's sacrifice and prepare to celebrate his resurrection, we will gather at the Lord's Table and remember God's tremendous love for us.

A soup and sandwich supper will be offered prior to the service at 5:30 p.m. in Robbins Hall. The cost of the meal is \$5.00. Please complete the reservation form and place it in the offering plate or call the church office to make reservations for the meal. All reservations are needed by noon on Wednesday, March 28.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending dinner: \_\_\_\_\_

