

# The Worship of God

March 17, 2013

THE FIFTH 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: Offertoire

Theodore Dubois

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PIANO MEDITATION: Fugue in C

J.S. Bach

CHORAL INTROIT

BLEIBET HIER

Stay with me, remain here with me, watch and pray.

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 65: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"  
*(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)*

EIN FESTE BURG

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 126

Minister: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

**People: Our mouth filled with laughter and our tongue with songs of joy.**

Minister: Others said, "The Lord has done great things for them."

**People: The Lord has indeed done great things for us, and therefore we rejoiced.**

Minister: Those who sow in tears shall reap with songs of joy.

**People: Those who go out weeping, will come back with shouts of joy.**

\* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Taizé

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

## A CELEBRATION OF MANHOOD AND WOMANHOOD

*(See Rite-13 insert.)*

### MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 43:16-21

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 241: "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

MERCY

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Scherzetto

Sir William Walton

\* 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.**

*We give thanks for our Missions Committee which leads our church to be the hands of Christ in this community and beyond. The acolyte brings forward a picture of our narthex window which reminds us, "Come let us worship God . . . Go to be involved in the world," and places it on the altar.*

## PROCLAMATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

John 12:1-8

SERMON:

"The Paradox of Our Faith: It Isn't Always What It Is"

Dr. Wright

## CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

### LITANY OF CONFESSION

Minister: Be merciful, O Lord, for I have sinned. Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense. Thoroughly wash me from my guilt and of my sin cleanse me.

**People: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

Minister: For I acknowledge my offense, and my sin is before me always: "Against you only have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight."

**People: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

Minister: A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. Cast me not out from your presence, and your Holy Spirit take not from me.

**People: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

Minister: Give me back the joy of your salvation, and a willing spirit sustain in me. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

**People: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

*silence*

### THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

arr. Gilbert Martin

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood. See from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown? His dying crimson, like a robe, spreads o'er his body on the tree; then I am dead to all the globe, and all the globe is dead to me. Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen!

text by Isaac Watts

### AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**During this season of Lent, we embrace the paradox of our faith:**

**We believe in God who spoke into the silence and creation was born, who reached into emptiness and filled the universe with wonders, who set aside divinity and became human.**

**We believe in God who calls the first to be last and invites the last to be first, who urges us to lose our lives in order to save them, who died and rose again so that we might live forever.**

**We believe in one God revealed in three Persons, one faith in many manifestations, one hope amid many fears, one Lord and Savior for all the world. Amen.**

### THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\* RECESSIONAL HYMN 609: "Take My Life"  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*

\* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

\* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Fugue in G

J.S. Bach

\* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Sid Riddick by Louise Riddick and their children, Marty, Ginny and Woody.*

## THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright  
*Senior Minister*  
Connor Evans  
*Acolyte*

Elizabeth Edwards  
*Associate Minister*  
Mark Gansor  
*Organist*

Amy Shortt  
*Minister of Music*  
Elizabeth Lane  
*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. Throughout Lent we undertake a journey of self-discovery leading to repentance and renewal. The symbol is comprised of the two Greek letters, chi and rho, the first two letters in the Greek word Christos, meaning 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 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

12:00 p.m.. . . . . Rite-13 Reception, Lehman Courtyard  
5:00 p.m.. . . . . Children's Activity, Preschool Music and Storytime  
5:00 p.m.. . . . . Youth Choir and Handbells  
5:45 p.m.. . . . . Preschool and Children's Dinner  
6:15 p.m.. . . . . Youth Dinner  
6:15 p.m.. . . . . Preschool Bible and Missions 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. We the 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 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.

