

# *The Worship of God*

*DRIVEN INTO THE WILDERNESS*

April 1, 2012

PALM SUNDAY

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: Jesus, I Will Ponder Now  
All Glory, Laud and Honor

Robert Below  
Emma Lou Diemer

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle

Gerald Near

CHORAL INTROIT

Edwin Fissinger

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 192: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"  
*(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)*

ST. THEODULPH

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Hosanna to the son of David, the King of Israel.

**People: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Minister: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**People: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Minister: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

**People: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!**

\* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

G. F. Handel

Hail, hosanna, David's Son! Be Thou welcome, gracious King! Firmly stands Thy throne of peace,  
songs of triumph to Thee we sing!

## MEDITATION

THE EPISTLE LESSON: I Corinthians 1:18-31

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 190: "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

STORIES OF JESUS

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Festival Fanfare

Charles Callahan

\* 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.**

## PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Hosanna in the Highest"

Craig Courtney

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 12:1-19

SERMON: "Driven Into the Wilderness: For Foolishness?"

Dr. Wright

## CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

LITANY OF CONFESSION

Psalm 51

Minister: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

**People: O God, you know us better than we know ourselves. Forgive us our sin and enable us to forgive ourselves.**

*Silent confession.*

Minister: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

**People: Do not only forgive, O God, but also change me. Refocus my heart, my mind, my hands, and my spirit.**

Minister: Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from me.

**People: Hold me close in your loving arms and protect me from temptation's power by the strength of your Spirit.**

Minister: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

**People: Bring joy into my life, O God, the joy of your love and grace. Amen.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM: "None Other Lamb"

Craig Courtney

None other Lamb, none other Name, none other Hope in heav'n or earth or sea, none other hiding place from guilt and shame, none beside thee. My faith burns low, my hope burns low; only my heart's desire cries out in me, by the deep thunder of its want and woe cries out to thee. Lord, thou art life, tho' I be dead; Love's fire thou art, however cold I be: nor heav'n have I, nor place to lay my head, nor home, but thee. None other Lamb.

Christina G. Rossetti

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**Eternal God, we believe that you are the light of the minds that know you,  
the joy of the hearts that love you, and the strength of the wills that serve you.**

**As we walk through this wilderness of resurrection hope,  
grant us so to know you that we may truly love you,  
and so to love you that we may fully serve you,  
whom to serve is perfect freedom and life everlasting. Amen.** Augustine of Hippo adapt.

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\* RECESSIONAL HYMN 566: "Be Still My Soul" FINLANDIA  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*

\* THE BENEDICTION

CHILDREN'S ANTHEM: "A Lenten Love Song"

Helen Kemp

Now Jesus went into the garden, the garden of Gethsemane. He went there sad and very weary to be alone, to pray. "Dear God, I am so sorrowful, is there no other way? Dear God, if it is possible, let this cup pass away." Now Jesus went into the garden, the garden of Gethsemane. The olive tree bent over him, and heard him sadly pray. "Dear God, your Son is sorrowful, but knows your way is best. Let love take hold of me! Help me to be bold and free to do your will and rest. *Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.* (Where love and charity are found, God is there. I John 4:16)

\* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Praeludium in e

J. S. Bach

\* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of  
Harold Tuttle, Jr. and in honor of Martha Tuttle by their sons, Skip, Bryan and Tommy.*

*The rosebud on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Allison Margaret Funk, daughter of Sarah and  
Ted Funk and granddaughter of Louise and Allison Ramsey, on March 18 in Atlanta.*

### THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright  
*Senior Minister*  
Eli Bass  
*Acolyte*

Elizabeth Edwards  
*Associate Minister*  
Mark Gansor  
*Organist*

Amy Shortt  
*Minister of Music*  
Andersen 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. 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.

### PALM SUNDAY FESTIVITIES

Following worship today, we invite you to join us for a covered dish luncheon in Kincheloe Hall. After the luncheon our children will enjoy Easter Egg hunts and other games.

### MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP

We will gather in the sanctuary on Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. for our Maundy Thursday communion service. We will remember Christ's last supper with his disciples, his willingness to offer himself on our behalf, and the grace of new life which he offers to us all. Prior to worship, a light supper will be served in Kincheloe Hall at 5:30 p.m. Please call the church office for reservations.

### TODAY AT LAKESIDE

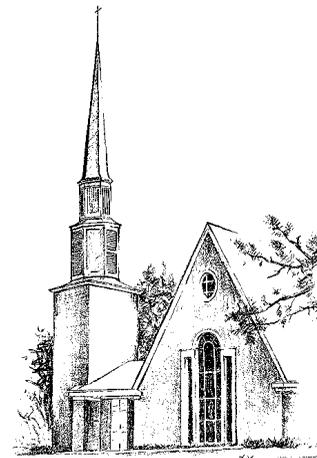
12:00 p.m. Fellowship Luncheon and Easter Egg Hunt  
There will be no evening activities.

### 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.



# *Lenten Worship*

## *at Lakeside*

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