

The Worship of God

April 13, 2014

PALM SUNDAY

Eleven O'Clock

Faith Songs for Life Rhythms

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: Paeon

Michael McCabe

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Jesus, Still Lead On

Paul Manz

CHORAL INTROIT

Edwin Fissinger

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 192: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

ST. THEODULPH

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 96

Minister: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation day after day.

Minister: Sing a new song of longing,

People: For our souls are searching for meaning.

Minister: Sing a new song of promise,

People: For our faith is in God who is trustworthy and true.

Minister: Sing a new song of hope,

People: For in our discouragement, God surrounds us with steadfast love and tender mercy.

All: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation day after day.

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHILDREN'S ANTHEM: "The Dream of the Tree Came True"

Allen Pote

Waiting, waiting for the plan, can it be this wounded man? Waiting, waiting for the call, one day to rise above them all. There on a hill those angry men plant the third tree once again and the dream of the tree came true. For the ones who passed that hill, and the ones who pass it still see it lifted as in prayer, and so look up to heaven for the tree is pointing there! Dreams, we all have dreams, what we can be, what we can do. Lord, with all we are, we pray that our dreams will lead us to you.

Betsy Waters, accompanist; Elizabeth Paszek, soloist

MEDITATION

THE PSALTER LESSON:

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

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 5:

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

AZMON

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Improvisation on *Christ, Mighty Savior*

Mark Gansor

* 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:

Matthew 21:1-11

SERMON: "There's Within My Heart a Melody: Singing Our Way to Hope"

Dr. Wright

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

LITANY OF CONFESSION

Minister: Forgive us, Holy God, for we have been careless stewards and unfaithful servants.

People: Our days dawn in eagerness and close in laziness. The sun rises upon our hope and sets upon our disappointment.

Minister: Each morning we promise ourselves that this day will be different, then set about to make sure it is the same.

People: We know the work that you have set before us: to love the unloved and unlovable, to share the burden of the suffering and encourage the fearful, to provoke mercy and demand justice.

Minister: Yet we fail to act out of our own bitterness or negligence or fear.

People: Give us hearts of compassion and courage, O Merciful God, that we might turn again to your righteous way, that we might live in obedience to your call, and that we might trust that you alone are our hope, our healing, and our restoration, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

-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? 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!

Isaac Watts

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

All praise to God for song God gives, for music and a hope that lives; God's sacred word is so profound, we sing and let the truth resound. The word gives both the life and light, and guides us through the shades of night, so let the music sound God's praise as hymns bring gladness to our days.

Carlton C. Buck

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 550: "There's Within My Heart a Melody"

SWEETEST NAME

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

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Fantasia in g

J. S. Bach

* Congregation stands.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Adolfo Marsigli by Karyl Marsigli and family.

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Henry Williams
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Mark Gansor
Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Mary Frances Raper
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. Fellowship Covered-Dish Luncheon and Easter Egg Hunt
2:30 p.m. Youth Depart for Gaston Lake

WE WELCOME OUR FRIENDS FROM FRESH YOUTH INITIATIVES

Today we welcome twenty members of Fresh Youth Initiatives (FYI), an organization in the Washington Heights neighborhood of northern Manhattan which provides nurture, academic support, and opportunities for community service for neighborhood youth. As in previous years, this past summer, our youth spent four days with FYI participating in service projects, playing games, building community, and even visiting the Bronx Zoo! The week ended with a stronger partnership and a commitment to explore the possibility for them to visit us in the near future.

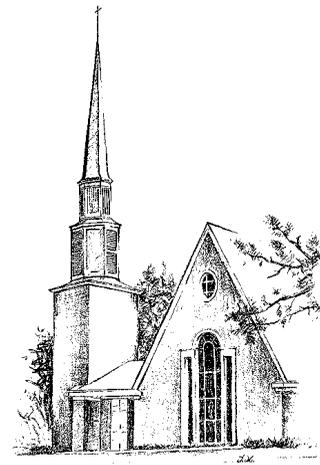
Over the next few days, our two groups will work in the Conetoe Community Garden and visit Lake Gaston, Summerlea Horse Farm, Sylvan Heights Waterfowl Preserve, and the Imperial Centre. We are happy to have our friends at Lakeside!

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:
Faith Songs for Life Rhythms**

There's within my heart a melody Jesus whispers sweet and low:
"Fear not, I am with thee, peace, be still," in all of life's ebb and flow.

Refrain:

*Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, sweetest name I know,
fills my every longing, keeps me singing as I go.*

All my life was wrecked by sin and strife, discord filled my heart with pain;
Jesus swept across the broken strings, stirred the slumbering chords again.

Feasting on the riches of his grace, resting 'neath his sheltering wing,
always looking on his smiling face—that is why I shout and sing.

Though sometimes he leads through waters deep, trials fall across the way,
though sometimes the path seems rough and steep, see his footprints all the way.

Soon he's coming back to welcome me far beyond the starry sky;
I shall wing my flight to worlds unknown; I shall reign with him on high.

Luther B. Bridgers

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