

# *The Worship of God*

## *Listening Alongside: Echoing Christ*

April 16, 2017

RESURRECTION 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 and turn off or silence all electronic devices. Following the service, greet our visitors and share your friendship with those around you.

### PREPARATION AND PRAISE

ORGAN PRELUDE: Fanfare

John Cook

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

HANDBELL MEDITATION: Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Rowland H. Prichard/arr. Hart Morris

EASTER BELLS

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 216: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN

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

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Rejoice heavenly powers! Sing choirs of angels! Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!

**People: Christ is risen indeed!**

Minister: Rejoice, O earth in shining splendor, radiant in the brightness of your King!

**People: Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes forever!**

Minister: Sound the trumpet of salvation! Sing with joy and gladness!

**People: Christ, our King, is risen.**

**All: Christ is risen indeed!**

\* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOR EX

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Gene Grier/Lowell Everson

He is risen from the grave! Alleluia! He has rolled the stone away! Alleluia!

He is risen today! Alleluia!

### CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Minister: God of life, we confess that we have journeyed to this day on winding paths and uncertain roads.

**People: We confess that we have broken our Lenten disciplines by error and intent.**

Minister: We confess that we have not listened carefully to your teachings or reflected honestly on your passion.

**People: Forgive our unwillingness to recognize your grace in surprising places.**

Minister: Pardon our unkindness toward others and our lack of love for ourselves.

*A time of silence for personal confession.*

Minister: Bless us now with Easter grace that we might be transformed and born anew into the resurrection of our Christ.

**People: Amen.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### MEDITATION

THE EPISTLE LESSONS: Colossians 3:1-4; Ephesians 5:1-2

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

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*

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 221:

"The Strife Is O'er"

VICTORY

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Improvisation

Mark Pichowicz

\* 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!**

### PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Hymn of Praise"

René Clausen

Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God in his holy temple, in the firmament of his pow'r. Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God in his mighty majesty, and with pure and humble heart. Praise him with the sound of the ram's horn, praise him with lyre and harp, lute and melody. Praise him with timbrel and dance. Praise him with harp, strings, and violin, lute, and trumpet, all to his name. Let ev'rything that has life and breath sing praises unto the Lord! With cymbal and pipe, with shining stars! We sing hosanna. For thou hast been our dwelling place from one generation to another before the mountains were brought forth, or e'er the earth was formed, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God. Amen. Alleluia, praise God in his holy temple. Amen, alleluia, amen!

*from Psalms 90 and 150*

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

Matthew 28:1-10

SERMON:

"Echoing Christ"

Rev. Elizabeth Edwards

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!**

**We gather before an empty tomb, we stand triumphant before the world:**

**to claim the power of life over death,**

**to lift up the certainty that death is not the end,**

**to sing with joy that death is not the answer.**

**We celebrate that we are God's children, the work of Creating hands:**

**fashioned in love to resemble Christ,**

**born in each moment to be as children in the world.**

**We answer the call to become co-creators with God,**

**to do justice, to love mercy, and to make peace.**

**Let us go into the world, called from the tomb into life everlasting!**

*Based upon prayers by Schulyer Rhodes*

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\* HYMN 234:

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DIADEMATA

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

\* THE BENEDICTION

- \* THE CHORAL BLESSING: “Hallelujah” from *Messiah* G.F. Handel  
Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. King of kings and Lord of lords. Hallelujah!
- \* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata from *Symphony V* Charles-Marie Widor
- \* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of Lakeside’s Music Program in celebration of Christ’s resurrection and gift of life to us all.*

**THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP**

Jody C. Wright <i>Senior Minister</i>	Elizabeth Edwards <i>Associate Minister</i>	Amy Shortt <i>Minister of Music</i>
Elizabeth Paszek <i>Acolyte</i>	Beth Seagroves <i>Crucifer</i>	Spencer Edwards <i>Torchbearer</i>
	Mark Pichowicz <i>Organist</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.*

*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 Easter season is white, symbolic of purity and light and a reminder of the glory of God revealed through Christ’s resurrection. The Celtic Cross with its circle celebrates the sacrificial love and eternal nature of God. 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.

**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**

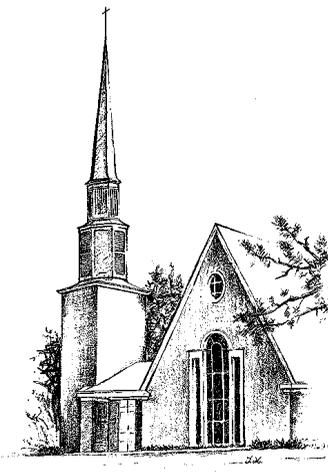
There will be no evening activities at Lakeside today.  
The Church office will be closed tomorrow, April 17.

**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.



# *Easter at Lakeside*

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