

# The Worship of God

April 19, 2015

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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: An Easter Meditation, Procession

Charles Callahan

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: O Had I Jubal's Lyre

G.F. Handel/arr. Hal H. Hopson

CHORAL INTROIT

Shaker Hymn/arr. Donald Moore

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, and when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'twill be in the valley of love and delight. When true simplicity is gained to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed, to turn, turn, will be our delight till by turning, turning we come round right.

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 218: "Thine Is the Glory" MACCABEUS  
*(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing choirs of angels! Exult, all creation!

**People: Jesus Christ, our King is risen! Sound the trumpet of salvation!**

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

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

Minister: Rejoice, O Holy Church! Exult in glory! The risen Savior shines upon you!

**People: Let this place resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of God's people!**

\* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION: "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia!"

Bernard Kyamanywa

Christ has arisen, alleluia. Rejoice and praise him, alleluia. For our Redeemer burst from the tomb, even from death, dispelling its gloom. *Let us sing praise to Him with endless joy; death's fearful sting he has come to destroy. Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!* Christ has arisen to set us free; Alleluia, to him praises be. Jesus is living! Let us all sing; he reigns triumphant, heavenly King.

## CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. Every day the evil of the world appalls us, yet within our own mind and heart we recognize those same seeds beginning to germinate. We are unable to correct our personal follies and remedy all our mistakes for their consequences have already spread far away from us. We are incapable of properly recognizing, cleansing and forgiving ourselves, for our own hands are too soiled and our store of grace is too meager. You alone, God, by your mercy, can discern the intent of our heart and offer us salvation. With your priceless grace, forgive us our sins through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## MEDITATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 24:36b-48

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: "The New Life"

English Traditional Melody/arr. Morten J. Luvaas

The glory of the spring how sweet, the new born life how glad; what joy the happy earth to greet in new, bright raiment clad. Divine Renewer, thee I bless; I greet thy going forth: I love thee in the loveliness of thy renewed earth. Creator Spirit, work in me these wonders sweet of thine, Divine Renewer, graciously renew this heart of mine. Still let new life and strength up-spring, still let new joy be given; and grant the glad new song to ring through all the earth and heaven.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 16: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" NETTLETON

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: La Rejouissance

G.F. Handel

\* 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!**

*This morning we give thanks for rehabilitation programs which provide individuals and families with resources and support to make needed changes. The Acolyte brings forward a candle holder depicting people holding hands in support of one another and places it on the altar.*

## PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Almighty Savior"

Shaker Tune arr. Kevin Siegfried

Almighty Savior, hear my prayer, and heal my soul with sorrow torn; a wounded spirit who can bear, yet by thy help it can be born. Give me, O Lord, repenting power to crush my haughty nature low; to make me watchful ev'ry hour, and guard my steps where e'er I go. Thy mercy, Lord, from time to time has reached my soul when sore oppressed. Thou didst pass by my ev'ry crime, I with forgiving love was blest. Thou hast declared all souls were thine, and I'll confirm thy righteous claim; and for a proof I'll give up mine in honor to thy sacred name. Once more kind Savior condescend to satiate this soul of mine. And from henceforth till time shall end this soul forever shall be thine. So I'll relinquish all demands, for any good I've ever done. I'll throw my soul into thy hands and trust thy mercy, that alone.  
*Issachar Bates, 1836*

THE HISTORY LESSON: Acts 3:12-19

SERMON: "Turning" Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God, the Creator of the universe, the Redeemer of humankind, and the Sustainer of life. We believe in humanity, dust of the earth, made in God's image, driven by dreams, hungry for faith, lonely with doubt, whom God has marked with the power to love or hate, to nurture or kill, and to bless or curse. We believe in Jesus Christ, God Incarnate, flesh of our flesh, bone of our bone, who came to reveal what God is like, and what we can become. We believe that Jesus was crucified and raised from the dead, and that through his victory over sin, death, and the grave we too shall live, and never die. Amen.**

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\* RECESSIONAL HYMN 222: "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna" W ZLOBIE LEZY  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*

\* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

\* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata Charles Callahan

\* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God  
and in memory of David Howell by his parents, Daisy and Harry Howell.*

**THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP**

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

Elizabeth Edwards  
*Associate Minister*  
Mark Gansor  
*Organist*

Amy Shortt  
*Minister of Music*  
Sara 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 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.

**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 Prayer Room following worship.

**TODAY AT LAKESIDE**

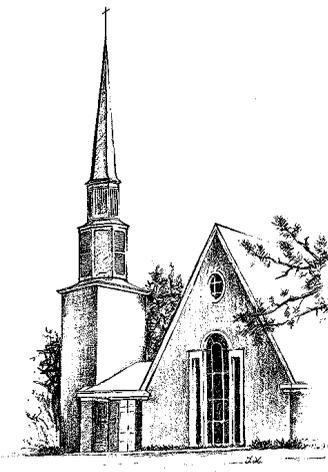
- 12:15 p.m. . . . . Diaconate, Conference Room
- 5:00 p.m. . . . . Youth and Children, Robbins Hall
- 5:00 p.m. . . . . Missions Marketplace, Silent Auction, Sugg Foyer
- 6:00 p.m. . . . . Missions Marketplace, Covered-Dish Supper
- 6:30 p.m. . . . . *I Can Make a Difference*, Robbins Hall

**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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