

The Worship of God

April 27, 2014

THE SECOND 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. 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: An Easter Suite Charles Callahan

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: The Lord's My Shepherd Barbara Harbach

CHORAL INTROIT Donald Moore

O come, let us sing unto the Lord, to him our voices raise. O come, with joyful voices praise.

* 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! 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 GREATOREX

* 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!

(Ushers will seat those waiting.)

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. We have forgotten the goodness in which you created us, the promises that you have made to us, and the hope that you have secured for our sake. We so often fail to enjoy the life of faith, preferring instead to be listless and gloomy in spirit. Lift up our hearts and cause us to rejoice. Enable us to see the goodness of life all around us. Restore in us a right and happy spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE EPISTLE LESSON: I Peter 1:3-9

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: "O How Amiable"

Ralph Vaughan Williams

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be always praising thee. The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us. Prosper thou our handiwork. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 230: "Now the Green Blade Rises" NOËL NOUVELET
Children in grades K-5 will leave for Children's Church.

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Carillon Andrew Wright

* 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 our music ministry which enhances our worship and informs our faith in numerous ways. The acolyte brings forward a hymnal and places it on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "For the Beauty of the Earth" arr. John Rutter

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies, Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon, and stars of light, Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For each perfect gift of love to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:19-31

SERMON: "A Touch of Faith" Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God who created the world and all that is in it, in the Son he sent to redeem the world, and in the Holy Spirit who is his presence in the world today. We believe that everything we have belongs to God, given into our keeping for the good of the world. We believe that we are to live spiritually in the world, deal justly with all persons, and contribute to the care of the needy and poor among us. We believe that through our faithfulness and stewardship we are blessed with abundant life. Thanks be to God! Amen.

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 15: "Rejoice, You Pure in Heart" MARION
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Final in D Louis Vierne

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in memory of J.C.D. (Jack) Bailey by Mrs. Anne Bailey and Dr. and Mrs. Tillman Bailey.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Madi Adkins
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Mark Gansor
Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Spencer Bulluck
Crucifer

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 CHURCH

Children in kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to participate in Children's Church with Leslie and Matt Paszek today. The children will leave from the sanctuary during the second hymn by the south door to the right of the chancel area. Parents may meet their children in the Youth Building following worship.

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

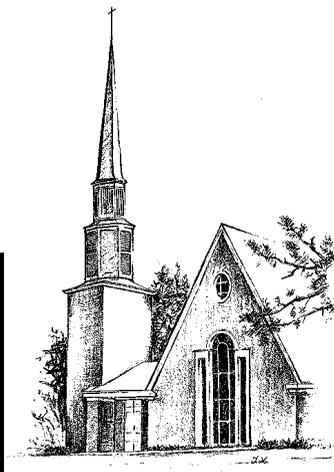
4:00 p.m. Children Depart for Bowling Party
5:00 p.m. Preschool Storytime/Youth Choir and Handbells
5:45 p.m. Dinner for Preschoolers
6:00 p.m. Dinner for Youth
6:15 p.m. Preschool Music and Activities
6:30 p.m. SNL
7:00 p.m. Diaconate, Conference Room

WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS

We welcome our guests and would like for you to know more about Lakeside Church and its ministry. 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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