

The Worship of God

May 27, 2012

PENTECOST 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: Epithalame

Healey Willan

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Morning Has Broken

Michael Burkhardt

CHORAL INTROIT

Daniel Iverson

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 237: "On Pentecost They Gathered" MUNICH
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: God, Creator and Lover of all creation, we have gathered to worship you.

People: Hear our prayers, O Lord.

Minister: Hear the prayers of hearts overflowing with gladness.

People: Hear the quiet prayers whispered in gentle faith.

Minister: Hear the halting prayers of all who doubt and the clenched-teeth prayers of all who hurt.

People: Hear our prayers, O Lord, and in this hour of worship speak to us.

Minister: Let us give thanks for what has been!

People: Let us hope for what is yet to be!

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Ruth Artman

Come, Holy Spirit, come; till we are wholly thine. Amen.

MEDITATION

REFLECTION ON MEMORIAL DAY

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

ANTHEM: "The Mansions of the Lord" Nick Glennie-Smith/arr. Benjamin Harlan

To fallen soldiers let us sing, where no rockets fly nor bullets wing; our broken brothers let us bring to the mansions of the Lord. No more bleeding, no more fight, no prayers pleading through the night; just divine embrace, eternal light in the mansions of the Lord. Where no mothers cry and no children weep, we will stand and guard though the angels sleep; all through the ages safely keep, the mansions of the Lord.
Randall Wallace

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Ezekiel 37:1-14

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, O Lord, for we have sinned. Sometimes we doubt your ability to work in the world, wonder where you are, and disbelieve that anything good can happen. We are too often short of hope, tired of doing good, and skeptical of miracles. Deepen our trust in your promises and open our eyes to every sign of your love and grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* HYMN 241: "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine" MERCY

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Allegro

Johann Walther

* 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: "If Ye Love Me"

Philip Wilby

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever; E'en the spirit of Truth. And ye know him, for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.

THE HISTORY LESSON: Acts 2:1-21

SERMON: "Do You Hear What I Hear?" Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God who created life and claimed it for good. We believe in Jesus Christ, Child of God who shared our life and redeemed it for us. We believe in the Holy Spirit who dwells among us and invites us daily to be co-creators and redeemers of the world God has given to us. Amen.

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN: "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" AUSTRIAN HYMN
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the Church neglect its mission and the Gospel go unheard,
Help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service: "In my name baptize and teach."
That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each,
Give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you make the common holy: "This my body, this my blood."
Let us all, for earth's true glory, daily lift life heavenward,
Asking that the world around us share your children's liberty;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you show us love's true measure: "Father, what they do, forgive."
Yet we hoard as private treasure all that you so freely give.
May your care and mercy lead us to a just society;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end."
Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend,
And, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

- * THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
- * ORGAN POSTLUDE: Postlude on *Austrian Hymn*
- * Congregation stands.

J. S. Moore

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Mary Lucille Farmer by John Farmer and Hope Reese.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright <i>Senior Minister</i>	Elizabeth Edwards <i>Associate Minister</i>	Amy Shortt <i>Minister of Music</i>
Spencer Edwards <i>Acolyte</i>	Mark Gansor <i>Organist</i>	Sara Sykes <i>Crucifer</i>

*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. Today is Pentecost Sunday when we remember how the Spirit of God anointed the disciples and the church was born. The color of the day is red, a reminder of fire which symbolizes the Spirit of God, and of blood which symbolizes the life created and redeemed by God for which Christ and other martyrs of the faith have died. The Jerusalem Cross, comprised of one large cross surrounded by four smaller crosses, reminds us of the spread of the Gospel to the four corners of the earth. 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.

WE WELCOME OUR GUEST ORGANIST

We are pleased to have Gary Ferguson lead us in worship today as our guest organist. Dr. Ferguson earned his Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Kentucky and Master's Degree in Church Music from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He served as Minister of Music and Organist at First Baptist Church in Darlington, SC, and at West Main Baptist Church in Danville, VA. He also served as adjunct faculty in organ and handbells at Averett University in Danville.

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

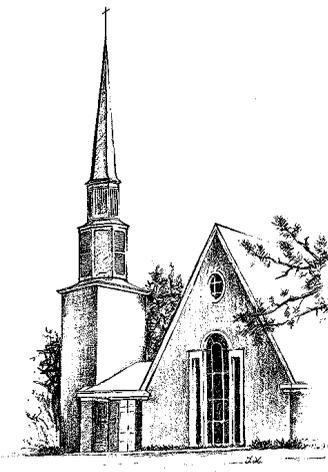
Wireless hearing aids are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex. Please ask an usher to assist you with a set. You may return the hearing aid to the Prayer Room following worship.

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.



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Lakeside*

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