

The Worship of God

June 1, 2014

ASCENSION SUNDAY ♦ FOUNDERS' DAY

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: Variations on *How Firm a Foundation*

Janet Linker

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Song of Peace

Jean Langlais

CHORAL INTROIT

Mary McDonald

I will joyfully sing in the morning; I will joyfully sing all the day; I'll sing praises to thee in the morning, for the Lord is the strength of my day.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 2: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" HYMN TO JOY
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: We gather for worship, singing our praises.

People: Some sing gladly, joyfully, for there is much to celebrate.

Minister: Some sing quietly, nourished by a deep and inner peace.

People: Some sing haltingly, their notes tripping over their fears.

Minister: Some sing longingly, remembering good days past,
not yet daring to hope for the days to come.

People: Some cannot sing at all for their hearts are weighed down with grief and frustration.

**All: Accept, O Lord, our worship, and by your loving presence
weave our many melodies into one great symphony of praise.**

Peggy Haymes

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Harold Friedell

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: to see thee more clearly,
love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day.

St. Richard of Chichester

CELEBRATING OUR HERITAGE

RECOGNITION OF CHARTER MEMBERS

RESPONSIVE PRAYER: "A Prayer for Lakeside"

Minister: Our kind and gracious Heavenly Father, we beseech your blessings on this, your house. Before the majestic splendor of our "Beth-El" we stand in awe and reverence.

People: The shining steeple, lifting high its cross to the heavens, invites us from afar to enter its doors, to sit quietly in its pews, and to gaze around us upon the utter beauty of its structure.

Minister: O Lord, though these strong brick walls are no longer new, your Church is as old as time itself. Lakeside has belonged to us for only a few years now, but it has become a part of us . . . and truly we have each become a part of it.

People: For in its presence we have worshiped, have seen Christ lifted up, and have felt his dwelling among us. In its bosom we have confessed our sins and have felt the comfort, serenity, and assurance of your forgiveness.

Minister: Our Father, we thank you for blessing us with forceful, inspiring messages brought from your pulpit by consecrated individuals, for the stirring anthems rendered by the choirs, for the professions of faith and words of re-dedication faithfully uttered from the lips of our youth.

People: O God, we know you have heard the sacred vows of marriage made at your altar, and the sincere prayers of dedication offered for our babies. We have felt your presence profoundly with us as we affirmed our faith in life everlasting at services for a loved one who has passed on to be with you.

Minister: We pray, Father, that you will continue your blessings upon this, your Church, and us, your children. Guide and direct us that each time we leave your house of worship we may go forth with renewed strength and courage to fulfill the mission of Lakeside . . . to proclaim the Gospel of Christ by which we alone can be saved from sin and judgment.

People: For it is in your Son's name and for his sake we pray. Amen.

ANTHEM: "Look at the World"

John Rutter

Look at the world, ev'rything all around us: look at the world, and marvel ev'ry day.

Look at the world: so many joys and wonders, so many miracles along our way.

Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, give us thankful hearts, that we may see:

All the gifts we share, and every blessing, all things come of thee.

Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower; look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain;

look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, valley and flowing river, field and plain.

Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer bringing the harvest before the winter's cold.

Ev'rything grows, ev'rything has a season, till it is gathered to the Father's fold.

Ev'ry good gift, all that we need and cherish comes from the Lord in token of his love;

we are his hands, stewards of all his bounty; his is the earth, and his the heav'ns above.

MEDITATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

Luke 24:44-53

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

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 709: "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

AUSTRIAN HYMN

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Tuba Tune in D

C. S. Lang

* 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 Lakeside Baptist Church which seeks to worship and serve Christ as a particular family of faith in this place. The Acolyte brings forward copies of the history of the church and our mission statement and places them on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "I Was Glad"

C. Hubert Parry

I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand in thy

gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself. O pray for the peace of

Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy

palaces.

from Psalm 122

THE HISTORY LESSON:

Acts 1:6-14

SERMON:

"Praying for Lakeside"

Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God our Father and in his grace made known to us in Jesus Christ. We believe that God's Spirit is with us in this present moment, offering comfort, courage, vitality, love and peace. We believe that God enables us to become useful persons, hopeful in outlook and open to the possibilities of each new day. We accept his grace, celebrate his presence, and dedicate our lives in his service.

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

- * RECESSIONAL HYMN 272: "The Church's One Foundation" AURELIA
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)
- * THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
- * ORGAN POSTLUDE: Song of Joy Jean Langlais
- * Congregation stands.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory and honor of our Charter Members.

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright <i>Senior Minister</i>	Elizabeth Edwards <i>Associate Minister</i>	Amy Shortt <i>Minister of Music</i>
Connor Evans <i>Acolyte</i>	Mark Gansor <i>Organist</i>	Andersen Cobb <i>Crucifer</i>
	Cameron Graham <i>Torchbearer</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. Today is Founders' Day and 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.

"A Prayer for Lakeside" was written especially for the Tenth Anniversary of Lakeside Church by Betsy Greene Fleming Waters. It has been adapted for our use today.

FOUNDERS' DAY LUNCHEON

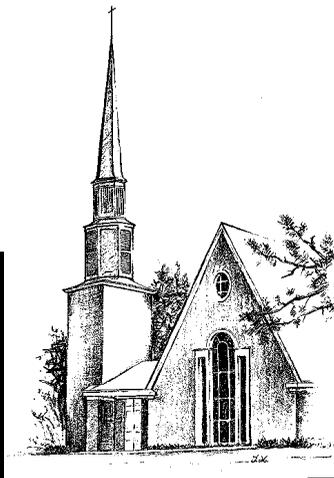
Following worship today, we will enjoy a covered dish luncheon in Kincheloe Hall. We invite you to join us for this time of fellowship and celebration.

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.



Worship at Lakeside

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