

The Worship of God

June 4, 2017

PENTECOST SUNDAY AND 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 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: Fugue in C (BWV 547)

J.S. Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Come Down, O Love Divine

Ralph Vaughan Williams

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 280:

“God Is Here!”

ABBOT’S LEIGH

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Here today there is love, freely available to all. Not our human loving, fragile and intermittent, but God’s supreme love.

People: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, break forth into joyous songs of praise.

Minister: Here today is love, higher than our loftiest hopes, deeper than the immensities of time and space, God’s inclusive love.

People: Let the seas roar their praise, and everything in them. Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills sing together their happiness.

Minister: The joy of the living Christ Jesus be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Bruce Prewer

* 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.

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.

MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Numbers 11:24-30

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: “Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me”

arr. K. Lee Scott

The text of the anthem is Hymn 266.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 254: “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

TRENTHAM

* 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!**

This morning we give thanks for the family of faith known as Lakeside Baptist Church which seeks to worship and serve Christ in this place. The Acolyte places a print of the “Lehman Benediction” on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: “O Thou the Central Orb”

Charles Wood

O thou, the central orb of righteous love, pure beam of the most High, eternal Light of this our wintry world, thy radiance bright awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above. Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine, gilding our darksome heaven with rays Divine. Thy saints with holy lustre round thee move, as stars about thy throne, set in the height of God's ordaining counsel, as thy sight gives measured grace to each, thy power to prove. Let thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin, our nature all shall feel eternal day, in fellowship with thee, transforming clay to souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

THE HISTORY LESSON: Acts 2:1-21

SERMON: “Acts Two on Sunset Avenue”

Rev. Haven Godwin Parrott

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We affirm that love is the doctrine of this church, the quest of truth is its sacrament, and service is its prayer. To dwell together in peace, to seek knowledge in freedom, to serve human need, to the end that all souls shall grow into harmony with the Divine. Thus do we covenant with each other and with God.

Covenant Church, Houston, Texas

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

- * RECESSIONAL HYMN 237: “On Pentecost They Gathered ” MUNICH
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)
- * THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
- * ORGAN POSTLUDE: Fugue II in E (BWV 566) J.S. Bach
- * Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of
Corrinne and J.N. Willcox on their 60th wedding anniversary by Jan, Jaye, Dianne, John, and Ami.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

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

Lakeside website: lakesidechurchrmt.org

*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. Today is also Founders Day when we celebrate the birth of this congregation. 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. 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.

WE WELCOME OUR GUEST PREACHER

Haven Godwin Parrott was born in Rocky Mount. She'd have been happy to stay, but her parents moved to Oxford when she was four years old and she felt obligated to go along. Good thing she did, because Oxford was where Mike Parrott was. Haven graduated from JF Webb High School in 1979 and from Meredith College in 1983, where she majored in music education and minored in math.

Haven has been a public school teacher, church pianist, stay at home mom, itinerant encourager, Minister of Spiritual Formation at First Baptist in Kannapolis (where she was ordained in 2010), divinity school student (Gardner Webb), BBQ restaurant builder and bereavement coordinator. Haven currently serves as Grief Coordinator at Transitions LifeCare in Raleigh, founded as Hospice of Wake County.

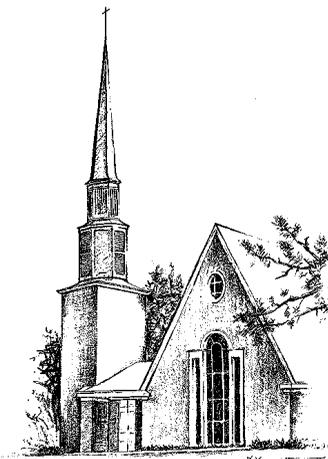
Haven's claim to fame is having had the good sense to choose Clarence and Bettie Godwin to be her parents; her greatest accomplishments are her four sons, Dane, Drew, Dylan and Dalton; and her greatest source of joy is being married to their father.

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.



Pentecost at Lakeside

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