

The Worship of God

June 9, 2013

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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: My Life Flows On in Endless Song

arr. Benjamin M. Culli

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Lento Espressivo

Sir William Walton

CHORAL INTROIT

William H. Bradbury

Sing and rejoice, let all things living now sing and rejoice!

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 59: "This Is My Father's World" TERRA BEATA

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: For the gifts you bestow, O Holy One,

People: We gather in thanksgiving.

Minister: We open our hearts to your enduring justice.

People: We open our minds to your breathtaking liberty.

Minister: Whenever we falter, steady us.

People: Whenever we fail, lift us.

Minister: For we seek to more fully embody your reign of peace,

People: And to make our world more just and loving.

Minister: In Jesus' name we strive,

People: And in his grace we thrive. Amen. Reverend Dr. June C. Goudey, UCC 2008

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

M. Ippolitof-Ivanoff

Bless the Lord, O my soul, blessed art thou, O God. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless God's holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless God's holy name.

(Ushers will seat those waiting.)

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most faithful God, we confess that our deeds rarely match our good intentions, and often our intentions do not measure up to our words. We have called you "Father," but do not live like your delighted children. We have claimed Christ as our Savior, but keep some things to ourselves. We call on the Holy Spirit, but often live as though you were at the other end of the universe. Have mercy on us. Recall us to our faith, and let it penetrate deep within us, so that from the depths of our being we may be inspired to love and serve you.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 7:11-17

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, 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 619: "My Life Flows On" HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: How Can I Keep from Singing? arr. Benjamin M. Culli

* 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 Baptist Center for Ethics which challenges people of faith to advance the common good. A young person brings forward a figurine holding up the world and places it on the altar. This image, common in Ghana, is a reminder that we hold the world gently in our hands, like an egg.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "O Christ the Healer, We Have Come" Richard W. Gieseke

O Christ, the healer, we have come to pray for health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to be restored when reached by love that never ends? From ev'ry ailment flesh endures our bodies clamor to be freed; yet in our hearts we would confess that wholeness is our deepest need. In conflicts that destroy our health we recognize the world's disease; our common life declares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these? Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your community may find the wholeness that, enriching us, shall reach and prosper humankind. Fred Pratt Green

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: I Kings 17:8-16

SERMON: "Tug of War?" Dr. Wright

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

(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Rigaudon Andre Campra/arr. Virgil Fox

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Joe, Mavis, Ann and Speight Sugg by the Kincheloe Families.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Georgia Morris
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Mark Gansor
Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Jackson Browder
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 season is green, a reminder of the life of the church and the growth of each believer. The triangle and trefoil are symbols of the Trinity, reminding us that God is revealed to us as Father, Son, and Spirit. In the center is the cross, the key symbol of the Christian faith, summarizing the life and ministry, death and resurrection, incarnation and coming in glory of Jesus the Christ. 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

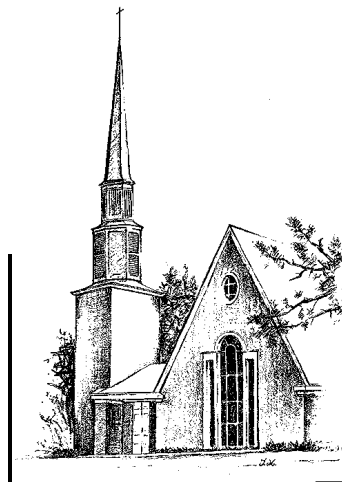
Wireless hearing aids are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex. Please ask an usher to assist you with a set. You may return the hearing aid to the Prayer Room following worship.

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 worshiping 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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