

The Worship of God

June 19, 2016

THE FIFTH 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 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: Voluntary John Stanley

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Pater noster Arthur Foote

CHORAL INTROIT Taizé

The kingdom of God is justice and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Come, Lord, and open in us the gates of your kingdom.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 17: "O Worship the King" LYONS
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Before we got up this morning and decided to come to church,

People: God was waiting for us, to welcome us with grace.

Minister: When we are unsure of what to do, when we falter before the next step,

People: We come to listen to God's voice, to learn from the One who teaches us all we ever need to know.

Minister: When we are surrounded by cruelty and injustice, when our fears cripple our souls,

People: God delivers us with steadfast love; we are set free to be God's sons and daughters.

Thom M. Shuman

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION arr. Wayne Howorth

Children of the heavenly Father safely in his bosom gather;
nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.

FAMILY DEDICATION

*Today we celebrate the dedication of David Warren "Wren" Green, Jr.,
born on January 5, 2016 to Amy and David Green.*

HOMILY

THE COVENANT

Minister: Do you parents present your child before God, in solemn dedication?

Parents: *We do.*

Minister: Do you commit yourselves as parents to bring up your child in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Parents: *We do.*

Minister: Do you promise to instruct your child in the teachings of Jesus Christ and in the practice of prayer, and to provide guidance in the development of a Christlike character?

Parents: *We do.*

Minister: Do you promise, to the best of your ability, so to shape your home life, by your words and by your example, that your child will naturally come to an open confession of Christ as Lord and enter into the fellowship and service of the church?

Parents: *We do.*

Minister: As a congregation, what pledge do you make to these parents?

People: We rejoice in this new life that has come into your family, and we pledge to you our support, encouragement, and prayers as you seek to raise your child in a Christian home. We further pledge to do our part in nurturing your child's growing faith through worship, teaching, and service.

THE UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, our heavenly Parent, we have received our children in trust from you. Acting as stewards of this holy trust, help us to love our children unselfishly, and to guide them into righteous living. We pledge our lives to the fulfillment of this holy calling, and pray for your divine help through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

THE BLESSING OF THE CHILD

ANTHEM: "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" arr. Virgil Thomson

My Shepherd will supply my need, Jehovah is his Name. In pastures fresh he makes me feed beside the living stream. He brings my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake his ways. He leads me for his mercy's sake in paths of truth and grace. When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay. One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away, thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread. My cup with blessings overflows, thine oil anoints my head. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days, O may thy house be my abode and all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come, no more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home. Isaac Watts, 1719

MEDITATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 8:26-39

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

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 566: "Be Still My Soul" FINLANDIA

* 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!**

We give thanks for our Bites and Books ministry which provides nutritious food and encourages summer reading for children in our neighborhood. The Acolyte places an apple and a book on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Gather Your Children" Allan Mahnke

Gather your children, dear Savior, in peace, and draw us to you with your passionate pleas; still seek us and call us to come and be blessed to find in your arms, Lord, safety, comfort, and rest. Knowing you, loving you, naming you Lord, we cluster around you, and grow by your Word, one day to remember these moments so rare, of caring and closeness, just because you are there. Love be our banner, forgiveness our theme, compassion our nature, your vision our dream; who knows what the Spirit of God yet can do, what joy can be tasted, or what promise come true? Host at our table in our house and yours, here bind us together with love that endures; like parents, like children, let this be our fame, that, blest, we bless many, to the praise of your name.

THE PSALTER LESSON:

Psalm 103:1-18

SERMON:

“He Remembers”

Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, Creator and Redeemer, who has not divided us into rich and poor, owners and slaves, nor pitted us against one another because of race, color, religion, class, gender, or sexuality. We believe in Jesus Christ who suffered because of human sinfulness but has overthrown the rule of evil and injustice. We believe in the Spirit of God whose flame comforts us with divine presence and causes our hearts to burn for righteousness and justice. We believe in the reconciling power of God which can bring peace and hope, justice and equality, relief of suffering, and the final triumph of love and grace in our lives and for the whole world. Amen.

Bread for the World, adapted

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 59:

“This Is My Father’s World”

TERRA BEATA

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

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Processional Rondeau in D

David Lasky

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in memory of P.S. Jones and Gil Rodriguez by Sara and Cristina Rodriguez.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Daniel Edwards
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Mark Pichowicz
Interim Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Beth Seagroves
Crucifer

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.*

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

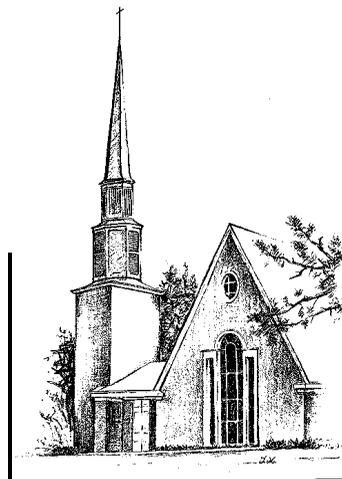
Bibles and several large print hymnals are available for your convenience and are located in the Prayer Room off the Narthex. Please ask an usher as you enter the sanctuary.

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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