

The Worship of God

June 25, 2017

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 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 in a

William Boyce

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Interlude in G

L. Mourlan

CHORAL INTROIT

Austin Lovelace

Come, bless the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord;
Lift up your hands to the holy place, and bless the Lord.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 330: "Alleluia! Hear God's Story" W ZLOBIE LEZY
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

* CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 35

Minister: We worship the God who graciously comes to us and fulfils the promise of new life:
The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,

**People: The desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly,
and rejoice with joy and singing.**

Minister: Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a
fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God . . . He will come and save you."

**People: Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.**

Minister: Listen, my friends: There is more joy in the little finger of God than this earth, or the
whole universe, can contain.

People: In the midst of life, God comes! Let us rejoice!

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Silesian Melody

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine!
(Ushers will seat those waiting.)

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. We have spoken words that we did not mean and
uttered mean words that we should not have spoken. We have listened intently to unfair words
and have ignored words that were fair and true. We have muted our deepest feelings and
pretended deafness to the feelings of others. Grant us the confidence to speak honestly and the
wisdom to listen fairly; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE PSALTER LESSON: Psalm 86

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: "I Love You, O My God Most High" arr. David Hogan

I love you, O my God most high, for first your love has captur'd me; I seek no other liberty: bound
by your love, I shall be free. All mine is yours: say but the word, say what you will it shall be done;
I know your love, most holy one, I know you seek my good alone. May memory no thought suggest
but shall to your pure glory tend, may understanding find no rest, except in you, its only end. Apart
from you, nothing can be, so grant me this, my only wish, to love you, Christ, eternally, you give me
all in giving this.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 612: "O Jesus, I Have Promised" ANGEL'S STORY

* 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 People Of Faith-Filling In the Gaps (POF-FIGS) which assists local
families in times of crisis. The Acolyte places rent and utility bills on the altar.*

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "I Will Arise" arr. Robert Shaw/Alice Parker

I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms, in the arms of my dear Savior, Oh! There
are ten thousand charms. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above, praise
the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love. Come thou fount of every blessing, tune
my heart to sing thy grace, streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. I will
arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms, in the arms of my dear Savior, Oh! There are
ten thousand charms.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 21:8-21

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

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God, Father to all who trust him, who has called us to work together, to build
a world wherein the unity, peace, and joy of his kingdom shall prevail.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and our brother, who suffered, died, and rose again
for us, that we might learn to live for others, and find hope in his victory over death.**

**We believe in the Spirit, in the power of truth, in the triumph of love, in the reality of God's
sustaining presence with us now.**

**We believe in the Church, the unity and fellowship to which all are called, that we may heal
the brokenness of life, and find everlasting joy in fellowship with Christ our Lord.**

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 86: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" FAITHFULNESS
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Pasticcio

Jean Langlais

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Mary Lib Pitt by Theo and Molly Pitt.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music

Mark Pichowicz
Organist

Jim Wiggs
Summer Choir Director

Elizabeth Paszek
Acolyte

Michael Waters
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.

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

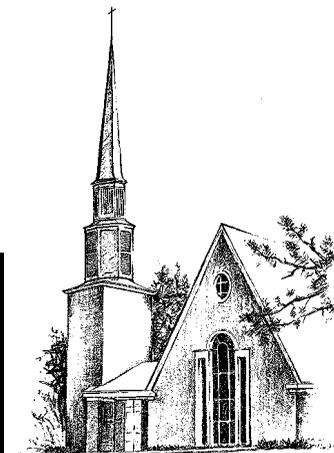
Wireless hearing aids are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex. Please ask an usher to assist you with a set. You may return the hearing aid to the Prayer Room following worship.

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 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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