

# *The Worship of God*

## *OUT OF THE MINDS OF CHILDREN: QUESTIONS OF FAITH*

June 28, 2015

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 in G John Stanley

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Sonata in E<sup>b</sup> W.A. Mozart

CHORAL INTROIT arr. Kevin Siegfried

Holy, holy, holiness unto the Lord, love ye, love ye, love ye, one another.

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 64: "We Sing Your Mighty Power, O God" ELLACOMBE  
*(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP based on Psalm 62:5-12

Minister: For God I wait in quiet. He is my hope, and I depend on him.

**People: God alone is the fortress that keeps me safe. He is a place where I feel secure.**

Minister: Friends, trust God and always tell him your concerns.

**People: Don't trust in violence or depend on dishonesty or rely on wealth.**

Minister: I heard God say two things: "I am powerful, and I am very kind."

**People: May God bless us in all that we do.**

\* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION William Byrd

*Non nobis, Domine, non nobis, sed nomini tu o da gloriam.*

Not unto us, O Lord, not to us, but unto thy name be the glory.

*(Ushers will seat those waiting.)*

### CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. We have accepted your gift of intelligence and mistaken it for omniscience. We have handled your gift of wisdom and confused it with power.**

**We have clutched your gift of faith and thought it to be a windfall. We have been gullible to our own needs and desires. Enlighten us to truth; empower us with humility; refresh us with the generosity of your mercy; through Jesus the Christ.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### MEDITATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 19:11-27

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: "Beautiful Savior" Michael Burkhardt

Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown. Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in the flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing. Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky. Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 67: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" ST. ANNE

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Prelude in a Classic Style Gordon Young

\* 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 Retirement Homes of North Carolina which provide quality care and a meaningful way of life that recognizes the dignity and worth of each individual. The Acolyte places the logo of a fully mature tree on the altar.*

### PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Holy Lord" Benjamin Harlan

Peace be to you and grace from him who freed us from our sin. Who loved us all, who shed his precious blood that we might be redeemed. Sing Holy to our Lord, the Lord, Almighty God, who was, and is, and is to come forevermore shall be! Rejoice in heaven all ye that dwell there-in, rejoice in all the earth, ye saints below, let earth and heaven sing, let all creation sing! Sing praises to our King! E'en so Lord Jesus quickly come and night shall be no more. They need no light nor lamp nor sun for Christ will be their all. Holy to the Lord. Sing Holy to the Lord.

THE EPISTLE LESSON: I Corinthians 1:18-31

SERMON: "How Did God Get His Power?" 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 683: "O For a World" AZMON  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*

\* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

\* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Trumpet Voluntary in D John Stanley

\* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of Vel Johnson for her dedication to Circle 10.*

## THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright  
*Senior Minister*  
Spencer Edwards  
*Acolyte*

Elizabeth Edwards  
*Associate Minister*  
Mark Gansor  
*Organist*  
Phil Valera  
*Guest Organist*

Amy Shortt  
*Minister of Music*  
Trevor Graham  
*Crucifer*

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Lakeside website: [lakesidechurchrmt.org](http://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 GUEST ORGANIST

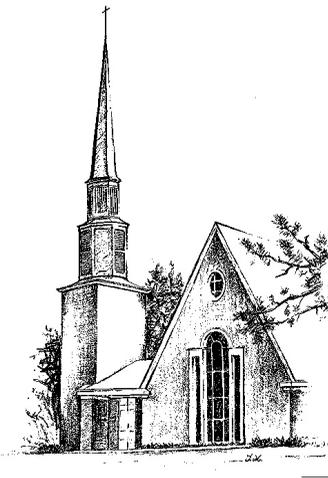
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### WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS

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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