

The Worship of God

July 10, 2016

THE EIGHTH 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: Kum Ba Yah

John Behnke

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Come, Thou Fount

Paul Manz

CHORAL INTROIT

Taizé

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, alleluia!

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 25: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Worship is a gift from God.

People: In worship, we are invited to come into the very presence of God, to be met by God's grace and encircled by God's love.

Minister: Worship is a promise.

People: In worship, we see the vision of the day yet to come, the hope of what is yet to be. We wait for the day when all people will live within the kingdom's bounds.

Minister: Worship is demand.

People: In worship, God demands from us the best of our heads and hearts. God demands of us our very lives.

Minister: With gratitude and joy, promise and hope, commitment and dedication, let us worship the Lord our God. *Peggy A. Haymes*

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Taizé

Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you have commanded us to love you with all that we are and to love our neighbors as ourselves. The example of Jesus was to feed the hungry, heal the broken, clothe the naked. We affirm the worth of these tasks; but our lives hint of duplicity and serve a lesser agenda. We allow the indulgence of personal desire to preoccupy us, the fear of obligation to hinder us, and the pain of life to embitter us. We fail to serve you when we fail to serve the least among us. Transform us, Merciful God, so that we might be faithful stewards of your gifts. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Colossians 1:1-14

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: "Who At My Door Is Standing?" arr. K. Lee Scott

Who at my door is standing, there patiently drawing near, Who entrance is demanding? Whose is the voice I hear? Sweetly the tones are falling: "Now open the door for me! If thou wilt heed my calling, I will abide with thee." Within the rooms are darken'd, all filled with dust and sin; how shameful, how unworthy for Christ to enter in. Yet the tones are falling: "Now open the door for me! If thou wilt heed my calling, I will abide with thee." Door of my heart, I hasten! Thee will I open wide. Though he rebuke and chasten, he shall with me abide. Sweetly the tones are falling: "Now open the door for me!" Lord God I hear thee calling, come now abide with me.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 241: "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine" MERCY

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Andante from *Organ Sonata #7* Josef Rheinberger

* 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 opportunities we have every day to be of help to other people. The Acolyte brings forward a cup of cold water (Matthew 10:42) and places it on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "A Heart to Serve" Valerie Showers Crescenz

O Lord, if I will wait for thee, my heart's desire you'll give to me; what I desire, Lord, most of all is but a heart that hears your call. O Lord, create in me anew a heart that's honest, pure and true; a heart to love, a heart to learn, a heart to share, a heart to serve. Whatever joy my future brings will not be found in earthly things; I'll have the greatest of rewards: a heart whose joy is in the Lord. Give me a heart that loves you best, a heart that finds you in my rest, a heart to love, a heart to learn, a heart to share, a heart to serve.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 10:25-37

SERMON: "Someone Is Praying for You" Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in the Triune God: Father, Son, and Spirit, who calls us to abandon our pride, and to embrace people in every condition.

We believe that when we see persons who are hungry, we must feed them. Those who are thirsty, we must give to drink. The homeless we must house. The naked we must clothe. The sick, the imprisoned, the stranger – whatever the need we must address it.

We believe that whatever we do for one of God's children, we are doing for God. If we should turn our backs, or harden our hearts, to the cries of any of God's children, we have then rejected the very God who has redeemed us. But if we minister in his name, we shall receive eternal life, prepared for those who honor God with their deeds, as well as their words.

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 658: "Restless Weaver" BEACH SPRING
(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 Tune David German

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Keith Ballentine by a friend.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Elizabeth Paszek
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Clyde Patterson
Guest Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Barkley Browder
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 GUEST ORGANIST

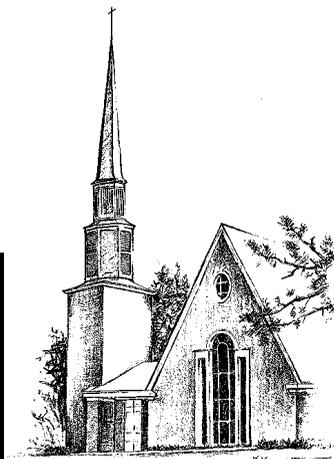
We welcome back Clyde Patterson as our guest organist today. Mr. Patterson is a graduate of Westminster Choir College and was Organist and Minister of Music at First Baptist Church in Wilson for 32 years. He and his wife, Dorothy (who is also an organist and piano teacher) have two children and three grandchildren. Since retiring in 2002 he has substituted at the organ for various churches in the area. He is currently serves part-time as organist at Nashville Baptist Church.

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.



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