



*The Community
Worshiping
Together*

Lakeside Baptist Church
1501 Sunset Avenue
Rocky Mount, North Carolina 27804

The Worship of God

COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE

July 15, 2018

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Six 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: Fugue: All Glory Be to God on High

J.S. Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME

Dr. Jody Wright

ORGAN MEDITATION: Pastorale

Harald Rohlig

CHORAL INTROIT

William H. Doane

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee! Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.

This is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 330: "Alleluia! Hear God's Story"

W ZLOBY LEZY

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

Alleluia! Hear God's story, still unfolding with each dawn.

Taste the wine and body broken: God's creative love lives on.

Who the neighbor? Who the hungry? Who is thirsty for shalom?

God of journey, in your story; lead us, with the neighbor, home.

Alleluia! Sing the story; God's great faithfulness proclaim.

Tell of prophets and apostles; sing the pow'r of Jesus' name.

Who the neighbor? Who the list'ner? Who has ears to hear our song?

God of hist'ry, tune our voices, make our hopeful witness strong.

Alleluia! Dance the story; ev'ry sinew now engage.

Tehtered close in truthful worship, boldly face the coming age.

Who the neighbor? Who the watchful? Who will welcome life's embrace?

God of gospel, tell the story, through our dancing of your grace.

Mary Ann Parrott

* CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. George Greer and Rev. Raymond Privott

Minister: Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

People: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.

Minister: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

People: Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart.

Minister: Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

People: Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Minister: Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd . . . My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me."

People: He who has ears to hear, let him listen.

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

**Glory be to the father,
and to the son, and to the holy ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

* THE INVOCATION Rev. Elizabeth Edwards

CHORAL ADORATION: "Thy Will, Thy Way" R.J. Fryson

Lord, I'm learning to love thy way. For with thy way, I cannot stray. Lord, continue to discipline me. Thy will, thy way. Nothing else matters but that thy will be done. Thy will, thy way.

MEDITATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 21:28-32 Rev. Shelton Daniel

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

People: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR THE COMMUNITY Rev. Mary Harris Todd

* HYMN 586: "Open My Eyes That I May See" OPEN MY EYES

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Clara H. Scott

* OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Alice Johnson-Curl

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Total Praise" Richard Smallwood/arr. Doreen Rao

Lord, I will lift my eyes to the hills knowing my help is coming from you. Your peace you give me in time of the storm. You are the source of my strength, you are the strength of my life. I lift my hands in total praise to you.

* 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 evening we give thanks for the Men's Christian Fellowship Home and the Lighthouse, homes for men and women recovering from addiction and restoring their lives. The Acolyte places on the altar a candle holder depicting the community united in prayer and support of one another.

PROCLAMATION

THE EPISTLE LESSON: James 1:22-25

SERMON: "Act on What You Hear" Rev. Michael Perry

THE CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

THE APPROACH TO THE TABLE: "Prayer for Today" Margaret Tucker/arr. Kemp

God in heaven, I make my prayer for all the people everywhere who live in fear or pain or doubt; whose homes are gone, and hopes run out. God in heaven, I make my prayer for all the children everywhere who live in terrible, warring places; who live with hunger and strange, sad faces. God in heaven, I make my prayer for all good people everywhere who live in comfort, love, and peace and pray sincerely for strife to cease; but who do not always hear the call of those who live with nothing at all. God in heaven, hear my prayer! Help all people everywhere to come closer together in plenty and need, and to make our world your home, indeed.

Mary M. Coulson

Mary Jo Williamson, flutist

UNISON CONFESSION OF SIN

Rev. Juliana Lindenberg

Forgive us, O God, for doubting that you are still at work in even the darkest hour or the most painful moments or the most challenging circumstances. Forgive us for our hesitant action, our cautious compassion, and our too-frequent reluctance.

Redeeming God, teach us a stillness that leads to acts of kindness and clarity of vision. Shape in us a trust that leads to faithful witness and bold compassion. Fill us with a passion that loosens our worry and eases our anger. Make us true disciples: filled with love, acting with justice, and living in peace.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Dr. Jody Wright

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

You are invited to come forward to receive communion. Forming two lines, please use the center aisle as you approach the altar and the side aisles as you return to your seat. If you prefer to remain seated, a minister will serve you. This evening we will take the bread and the cup by intinction, dipping the bread into the common cup. You will take a piece of bread from the plate offered by one of the ministers and dip it into the chalice offered by another minister. You may then place the bread in your mouth. A common response when taking communion is to say, "Thanks be to God." or a simple, "Amen."

CHORAL MEDITATION: "Sanctus"

Sandra Howard

*Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in excelsis Hosanna in the highest.*

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rev. Dan Davis

Minister: We believe in God the Creator, who spoke and the stars, planets, and vastness of the universe were formed, who called out for plants and animals to inhabit the earth, and who whispered each of us to life.

All: We have ears to hear! Let us listen!

Minister: We believe in God the Son, whose infant cries and childish laughter made him our brother, whose words offered comfort and insight, challenge and hope, and whose cries on the cross and alleluias in the garden brought us eternal life.

All: We have ears to hear! Let us listen!

Minister: We believe in God the Spirit, who daily reminds us of divine love and compassion, who counsels us toward justice, mercy, and humility, and who encourages us to echo Christ to the world.

All: We have ears to hear! Let us listen!

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 357: "We Call Ourselves Disciples"

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We call ourselves disciples, as pilgrims on the way.
We seek the truth in wisdom, and beauty in each day.
As women, men, and children, we serve, Christ's path to clear.
In joyful expectation we see God's reign draw near.

The cup and cross before us, proclaim our hope above,
The sign of our Redeemer, the vessel of his love.
Once more the cross is lifted, the cup poured out for all.
When gathered at the table we hear our common call.

We're baptized in the spirit, in waters God provides.
In Christ we rise to newness, for in him we have died.
Now dead to powers of evil, and free from hopeless fears,
We live with faith and purpose, creative through the years.

We join with all disciples to live the Word in deed,
To share the cup of water and bread with all in need;
To work till God's compassion and righteousness prevail,
Till all this planet's people know justice without fail.

So now the vision brightens, the light of Christ burns still
In hearts of all disciples to be the church God wills.
From quiet meditation and joyous hymns of praise,
We go to do God's mission! Christ, lead us all our days!

Jim Miller

- * THE BENEDICTION Rev. Jim Bell
- * CHORAL RESPONSE
- * ORGAN POSTLUDE: O That I Had a Thousand Voices David Cherwien
- * Congregation stands.

*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.*

*Please join us for a reception following worship in the Lehman Courtyard outside.
We are happy to have you join us this evening.*

OFFERING

The offering collected at each of the Community Worship services will be donated to the Men's Christian Fellowship Home and the Lighthouse, homes for men and women recovering from addiction and restoring their lives. If writing a check, please make it out to "Trinity Lutheran Church" with "Summer Worship Offering" in the memo line.

ABOUT THE COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICES

Established to assist a community in need, the Community Worship Services have evolved to stand for worship, prayer and community. The organization is open to all clergy and congregations in Rocky Mount and functions as an independent group dedicated to services of unity.

The cornerstone of the Community Worship Services are shared worship services traditionally held during the months of July and August which feature pulpit sharing, unity offerings and unified messages of faith throughout the community. The group is now responsible for numerous services dedicated to unity held throughout the year.

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Rev. Jim Bell, First United Methodist Church
 Rev. Shelton Daniel, Greater Joy Baptist Church
 Rev. Dan Davis, Bethlehem Presbyterian Church
 Rev. Elizabeth Edwards, Lakeside Baptist Church
 Rev. George Greer, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
 Rev. Alice Johnson-Curl, Trinity Lutheran Church
 Rev. Juliana Lindenberg, Church of the Good Shepherd, Episcopal
 Rev. Michael Perry, Foster Memorial Baptist Church
 Amy Shortt, Lakeside Baptist Church
 Rev. Mary Harris Todd, Morton Memorial Presbyterian Church
 Bill Wood, First United Methodist Church
 Rev. Jody C. Wright, Lakeside Baptist Church
 Sadie Ponte, Acolyte
 Spencer Edwards, Crucifer