

The Worship of God

July 16, 2017

THE SIXTH 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: Fugue in c

Johann Christian Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Intonation

Sebastian Anton Scherer

CHORAL INTROIT

Claude Means

God is a spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 64: "We Sing Your Mighty Power, O God"

ELLACOMBE

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.

People: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Minister: The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

People: The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

Minister: The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

People: We will praise you, our God and King, and bless your name for ever and ever.

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Eric Thiman

O praise God in his holiness; praise him in the firmament of his power.

(Ushers will seat those waiting.)

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. We give thanks for your constant presence in our lives, but we often live as if you are distant and unknown. Too frequently we presume to be judge and jury of the world. Too frequently, we miss the opportunity to share your love and have only anger and judgment for others. Remind us of your presence and make us ever aware of your call. Guide us to places of peace and humility, and inspire us to seek out justice for those who find far too little of it. Teach us, O God, to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly in this life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

Matthew 22:34-40

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: What Does the Lord Require for Praise

Norman L. Warren

What does the Lord require for praise and offering? What sacrifice, desire, or tribute bid you bring?

Do justice, love mercy, walk humbly with your God. People of earth, give ear! Should you not justice know? Will God your pleading hear, while crime and cruelty grow? Do justice, love mercy, walk humbly with your God. How shall our life fulfill God's law so hard and high? Let Christ endue our will with grace to fortify. Then justly, in mercy, we'll humbly walk with God.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 683:

"O For a World"

AZMON

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Improvisation

Pichowitz

* 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 Gatekeepers Workcamp which repairs homes for elderly and disabled homeowners in our community. The Acolyte brings forward a Workcamp t-shirt and places it on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

WORKCAMP EXPERIENCES

Ginny Cobb, Adult Volunteer

Jacob Watkins, Youth Volunteer

G.F. Handel

ANTHEM: "Forever Blest Is He"

Forever blest is he who serves the Lord, The loving God of all mankind.

Joy shall be his reward, living to serve the Lord.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Micah 6:6-8

SERMON: "Some Assembly Required"

Rev. Edwards

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in the God who created us in his image, each unique and uniquely gifted with talents and tendencies, interests and attributes which allow us to fulfill God's purposes for our lives. We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, by whose life, death and resurrection we are redeemed and freed to live the abundant and joyful life God desires for us. We believe in the Holy Spirit who continues to dwell with us, who transforms us into vessels through which God's love and mercy can flow, and who unites us to work for the fulfillment of God's Kingdom in this life and in the life to come.

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 651 "God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens"

HOLY MANNA

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

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Praludium und Fugue

Johann Kuhnau

* Congregation stands.

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

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

Dalton Jordan
Acolyte

Reynolds Cobb
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.

TODAY AT LAKESIDE

12:30 p.m. . . . Eagle Scout Ceremony for Andersen Cobb, Robbins Hall

1:00 p.m. . . . Diaconate, Conference Room

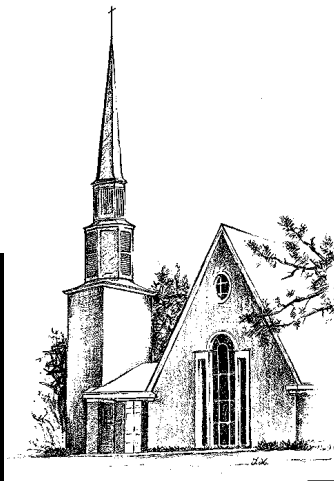
6:00 p.m. . . . Community Worship, Trinity Lutheran Church, 433 S. Winstead Avenue

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

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



Gatekeepers Workcamp "Some Assembly Required" July 9-14, 2017

Gatekeepers Workcamp began at Lakeside Baptist Church in 1992 as a missions partnership between a consortium of Rocky Mount churches. In this, the twenty-sixth consecutive year of Gatekeepers Workcamp, we had about 100 youth and over 50 adults from thirteen area churches. This year, Gatekeepers provided assistance by renovating eight homes for elderly and disabled homeowners in our community.

2017 Participating Churches: Church of the Good Shepherd, Conetoe Chapel Baptist Church, Englewood United Methodist Church, First Presbyterian Church, First United Methodist Church, Lakeside Baptist Church, Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church, and West Haven Presbyterian Church. We also had participants from Bethlehem Presbyterian Church, Calvary Episcopal Church, Englewood Baptist Church, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and St. Therese Catholic Church.

It would be impossible for us to do this ministry each year without the support of many community partners: Gatekeepers would like to thank those groups and businesses that have supported our missions efforts: Daughtridge Oil & Gas/Fuel Doc & Oasis Stores (with special thanks to Southco Distributing Company, COCA-COLA Consolidated, Frito Lay, Inc., Pepsi Bottling Ventures LLC, and Snyder's-Lance), Don Bulluck Chevrolet, Sundrop, Boddie-Noell Enterprises, Ron Sowers Photography, Chambliss and Rabil Contractors, Flora's Glass, Jim Dickens Printing, Lowe's Home Improvement Warehouse, Diggs Wimberly Paint and Stain, Southern Mattress, Wholesale Paint, Pizza Inn - Hunter Hill Road, Chick-Fil-A - Cobb Corners, Subway - Westridge Shopping Center, Chew and Chat, and UTZ Snack Foods.

Special thanks to those members of the Lakeside family who invested so much of themselves at our work sites throughout the week: Madi Adkins, Anna Anderson, Alaya Banks, Andy Barker, Carol Barker, Eli Bass, Dianne Bulluck, Ginny Cobb, Jeremy Cobb, Madison Costa, Stella Costa, Wayne Cotton, Meagan Daugherty, Doug Edwards, Spencer Edwards, Jerry Hamrick, Bruce Harris, Scooter Hedgepeth, Dan Herring, Tyler Holden, Casey McAuliffe, Louis O'Neal, Sara Raper, Emily Raynor, Jan Raynor, Jim Raynor, Beth Seagroves, Kiley Shearon, Marshall Ward, Jacob Watkins, Henry Williams, J. N. Willcox, and Jody Wright.

Many other people also helped to make Gatekeepers run smoothly. Thanks to our lunch coordinators, Susan Skinner and Beth Pridgen; our photographers, Sue Bulluck and Terry Martin; our refreshment coordinators, Dennis and Brenda Culpepper; and our cookout coordinators, Angela Allen and Teresa Herring. Others who also made donations of food or supplies or volunteered their time are: Members of Circle 10, Circle M, Faith Class, Grace Bible Class, Janet Sykes, Dick Berry, James Biggs, Sue Cataline, Anne Chappell, Ricky Cobb, Jim Dickens, Alicia Hamrick, Michele Harrold, Leon Henderson, Teresa Herring, Bill Kincheloe, Debra Kincheloe, Linda Millar, Molly Pitt, Don Raper, Genie Raper, Hope Reese, Keith Ballentine, Don Bulluck, Brenda Cotton, Leon Henderson, Jim Martin, and Andrew Robillard.

Thank you to the Lakeside staff for all of your extra time and effort preparing for Gatekeepers - Liz Broomell, Linda Davis, Milton Marrow, Napoleon Taylor and Sharon Taylor.

Thank you, also, to those who made contributions to the Workcamp Scholarship Fund. With your help, we were able to offer scholarships for ten youth to participate in Gatekeepers this year.