

# The Worship of God

July 17, 2016

THE NINTH 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: Pièce d'Orgue, BWV 572

J. S. Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Méditation, No. 2

Louis Vierne

CHORAL INTROIT

Taizé

The kingdom of God is justice and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Come, Lord, and open in us the gates of your kingdom.

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 65: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" EIN' FESTE BURG  
*(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you!**

Minister: O God, teach us to be generous: to serve you as you deserve to be served;

**People: To give without counting the cost; to fight without fear of being wounded;**

Minister: To work without seeking rest;

**People: And to spend ourselves without expecting any reward but the knowledge that we are doing your holy will.**  
*adapted, Ignatius of Loyola*

\* 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. You have blessed us with many gifts, yet we do not always share them with others. We forget that others do not have the choices we have, that their lives are shaped by circumstances beyond their control, and that they have nowhere to turn and no one to help. Forgive us for acting like the Body of Christ in this place and then failing to love as he loved, to care as he cared, and to empty ourselves so that we can be filled with the compassion of Christ. Help us to be generous with our money, our talents, our skills, and our time so that what is impossible for us becomes possible through you.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## MEDITATION

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Philippians 1:1-11

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: "I Will Lift Mine Eyes to the Hills"

David N. Childs

I will lift mine eyes to the hills, whence cometh my help? My help comes from God, the Maker of heaven and earth. The Lord God watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from harm; your Maker will watch over you; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forever more.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 487: "Help Us Accept Each Other" AURELIA

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Elegy

G. T. Thalben-Ball

\* 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

Andy Barker, Adult Volunteer

Grace Bishop, Youth Volunteer

Richard Gieseke

ANTHEM: "O Christ the Healer, We Have Come"

O Christ, the healer, we have come to pray for health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to be restored when reached by love that never ends? From ev'ry ailment flesh endures our bodies clamor to be freed; yet in our hearts we would confess that wholeness is our deepest need. In conflicts that destroy our health we recognize the world's disease; our common life declares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these? Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your community may find the wholeness that, enriching us, shall reach and prosper humankind.  
*Fred Pratt Green*

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Nehemiah 2:18, 4:6

SERMON: "Standing At the Gate" Rev. Edwards

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God who has been made known to us through Jesus Christ. He became flesh and went about doing God's work in this world. But many who saw him did not recognize him and did not welcome him. They crucified him, but on the third day God raised him from the dead. We believe that we who are called by the name of Christ are also called to be about the work of Christ. By the power of God's Spirit, we proclaim and live out the love and grace of God. By the power of God's Spirit, we live as the people of God's kingdom, until the day that God's kingdom comes on earth.**

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

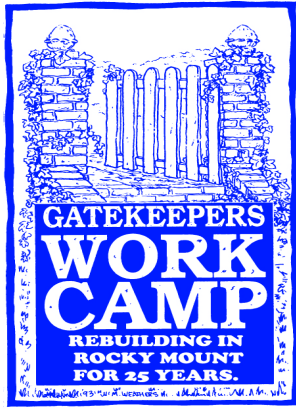
\* RECESSIONAL HYMN 484: "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" MESSAGE  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*

\* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

\* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Symphony No. 5, Op. 42 - Toccata Charles-Marie Widor

\* Congregation stands.





**Gatekeepers Workcamp**  
**“Rebuilding in Rocky Mount for 25**  
**Years”**  
**July 10-15, 2016**

**Nehemiah 2:18, 4:6**

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

2016 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, West Haven Presbyterian Church, Edgemont Baptist Church, Englewood Baptist Church, Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

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, Bill Goode Photography, Chambliss and Rabil Contractors, Rich Hylan Plumbing, Flora’s Glass, Jim Dickens Printing, Lowe’s Home Improvement Warehouse, Diggs Wimberly Paint and Stain, 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: Alaya Banks, Carol Barker, Carson Browder, Andy Barker, Ginny Cobb, Charlie Lane, Dan Herring, Meagan Daugherty, Jim Raynor, Sara Raper, Jan Raynor, Henry Williams, Grace Bishop, Spencer Edwards, Doug Edwards, Bristol Hylan, Wayne Cotton, Bruce Harris, Sheila Martin, Spencer Bulluck, LeighAn Bulluck, George Millar, Peyton Millar, Trevor Lane, Marshall Ward, Gavin Bishop, 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 Dorrie and Jim Wright; our cookout coordinators, Angela Allen and Teresa Herring; and our t-shirt designer, Marion Weathers. Others who also made donations of food or supplies or volunteered their time are: Members of Circle 10, Circle M, and Youth parents who donated food, Grace Bible Class, Janet Sykes, Dick Berry, Rebecca Watkins, Jacob Watkins, Don Raper, James Biggs, Ricky Cobb, Hope Reese, Keith Ballentine, David Corn, Don Bulluck, Brenda Cotton, Linda Millar, Ellen Wallace, Leon Henderson, Debra Kincheloe, Winnie Johnson, Hilary David, and Sue Cataline.

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

