

# The Worship of God

July 29, 2018

THE TENTH 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: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God arr. Duane Plash

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: My Faith Looks Up to Thee arr. Hal H. Hopson

CHORAL INTROIT William Monk/arr. Donald D. Ketting

Praise the Lord, his glories show, Alleluia! Saints within his courts below, Alleluia!  
Age to age and shore to shore, Alleluia! Praise him, praise him evermore! Alleluia!

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 27: "Come, Thou Almighty King" ITALIAN HYMN  
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Chick Conley

Deacon: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**People: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.**

Deacon: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders over mighty waters.

**People: The voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty.**

Deacon: The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

**People: The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire and shakes the wilderness.**

Deacon: The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare.

**People: The Lord sits enthroned as king for ever.**

Deacon: May the Lord give strength to his people!

**People: May the Lord bless his people with peace!**

*Psalm 29*

\* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION Joachim Neander

God himself is with us: let us now adore him, and with awe appear before him. God is in his temple:  
all within keep silence, and before him bow with reverence. Him alone, God we own; to our Lord  
and Savior praises sing forever.

## CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. We mumble rote verses over a hurried meal and think we have prayed. We inventory our wants and needs at the close of the day and believe we have communed with you. We shout your name in anger or sprinkle it over our humor and wonder why you do not respond.**

**Grant us a glimpse of the joy you feel when we speak directly to you. Teach us the openness of life and thought that is continual prayer. And enable us to pray honestly through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## MEDITATION

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Ephesians 3:14-21

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: "Shepherd of My Heart"

Francis Patrick O'Brien

My shepherd is the Lord, for nothing shall I want; green are the pastures where I'm led to repose.  
Near waters still and deep God will refresh my soul. I am led onward in ways true to the Name. If  
I should walk one day into the vale of darkness, no evil shall I fear with God at my side. There with  
your crook and staff you give me strength and comfort; you spread a banquet in the sight of my foes.  
You anoint my head with oil; my cup is overflowing; goodness and kindness crown the days of my  
life. Within the Lord's own house I dwell in peace for ever; within the house of God my soul is at  
rest. *Guide me, O shepherd of my heart; lead me homeward through the dark, into everlasting day.  
Show me the way of truth and light; keep me always in your sight. May my life never part from the  
shepherd of my heart.*

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 540: "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" ST. MARGARET

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: What Wondrous Love Is This arr. Cathy DeRousse

\* 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 Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, a ministry that reaches out to children and families in crisis. The Acolyte brings forward the BCH logo and places it on the altar.*

## PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "O Praise the Mighty Lord" from *Joshua* G.F. Handel/arr. Patrick M. Liebergen

O praise the mighty Lord, our God, sing a joyful song. He reigns in majesty, forevermore. O praise  
the mighty Lord with joyful song. Hallelujah.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 6:1-21

SERMON: "Afraid of God?" Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**As people of faith, we lean into the heart of the Holy,  
confessing our frailty, admitting our sin, amazed by God's grace.  
As people of faith, we lean into the heart of the Holy,  
opening eyes and ears, unclenching hands and hearts, sharing the wonders of God's world.  
As people of faith, we lean into the heart of the Holy,  
asking difficult questions, admitting our doubts, reaching for hope.  
As people of faith, we lean into the heart of the Holy,  
seeking closeness with God, fearful of intimacy, astonished by God's love.  
As people of faith, we lean into the heart of the Holy,  
and risk the wonder of falling into the loving and steadfast arms of God.**

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

- \* RECESSIONAL HYMN 594: "Dear Lord, and Father of Mankind" REST  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*
- \* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
- \* ORGAN POSTLUDE: March G.F. Handel
- \* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of Elizabeth Edwards on her birthday by Spencer and Daniel Edwards.*

#### THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright <i>Senior Minister</i>	Elizabeth Edwards <i>Associate Minister</i>	Amy Shortt <i>Minister of Music</i>
Chase Joyner <i>Acolyte</i>	Anna Anderson <i>Guest Organist</i>	Michael Waters <i>Crucifer</i>

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.  
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#### 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.

#### 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.

#### SUMMER WORSHIP SERIES

During the 2018 Summer Community Worship Services, we gather as people of God with our neighbors throughout the area. Our theme this year is "Act on What You Hear." Worship begins each Sunday at 6:00 pm. The offering will support the ministry of the Men's Christian Fellowship Home and the Lighthouse, homes for men and women recovering from addiction and restoring their lives. You are encouraged to participate in these wonderful experiences of worship:

**July 29 - First Presbyterian Church, 153 North Church Street, host**  
Rev. Haywood Parker, Truth Tabernacle, preacher

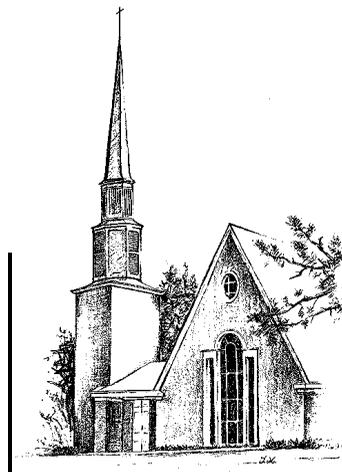
**August 5 - Unity of Faith Family Worship Center, 806 Cokey Road, host**  
Rev. Alice Johnson-Curl, Trinity Lutheran Church, preacher

#### 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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