

The Worship of God

August 28, 2016

THE FIFTEENTH 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 and Chaconne

Dieterich Buxtehude

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Andante Cantabile

S. Bath

CHORAL INTROIT

Laurie Klein

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship you; O my soul, rejoice.

Take joy, my King, in what you hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 100: "When Morning Gilds the Skies"
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

LAUDES DOMINI

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Because we live in a world that is often competitive, unfair, and even dangerous,

People: We need you, O God.

Minister: Because we so often live as individuals instead of as a community,

People: We need you, O God.

Minister: Because we are often tempted to make choices based only on our self interest,

People: We need you, O God.

Minister: Because we cannot love others when we do not love ourselves,

People: We need you, O God.

Minister: Because we are an Easter people with hope in our eyes and faith in our hearts,

People: We need you, O God. Walk with us through the desert of our frustration and restore to us the joy of your salvation.

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

UBI CARITAS

Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

Live in charity and steadfast love, live in charity; God will dwell with you.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Kind and merciful God, we so often seek honors and self-advancement, even elbowing others aside to become first. Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us our pride and hunger to be noticed and honored. Lord Jesus, because you came to call not the healthy but the sick, because you invite everyone to the feast table of mercy, because you came among us not to be served but to serve, have mercy on us and invite us once again to follow you into everlasting life.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE PSALTER LESSON:

Psalm 112

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: "Love Is Little"

Shaker Tune arr. Kevin Siegfried

Love is little, love is low, love will make my spirit grow. Grow in peace, grow in light, love will do the thing that's right. Love is little, love is low, love will make our spirit grow. Grow in peace, grow in light, love will do the thing that's right.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 485: "Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race"

TALLIS' CANON

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Improvisation

Mark Pichowicz

* 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 school teachers, administrators, and staff who guide our children in the development of mind, body, and character. The Acolyte places a text book, an apple, and a ruler on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Come to the Water"

John Foley, S.J./arr. Lynda Hasseler

O let all who thirst, let them come to the water. And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord: without money, without price. Why should you pay the price, except for the Lord? And let all who seek, let them come to the water. And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord: without money, without strife. Why should you spend your life, except for the Lord? And let all who toil, let them come to the water. And let all who are weary, let them come to the Lord: without labor, without rest. How can your soul find rest, except for the Lord? And let all the poor, let them come to the water. Bring the ones who are laden, bring them all to the Lord: bring the children without might. Easy the load and light, come to the Lord.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 14:1, 7-14

SERMON: "Take Your Place"

Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I give myself completely to you, God. Assign me to my place in your creation. Let me suffer for you. Give me the work you would have me do. Give me many tasks or have me step aside while you call others. Put me forward or humble me. Give me riches or let me live in poverty. I freely give all that I am and all that I have to you. And now, holy God, Son, and Holy Spirit, you are mine and I am yours. So be it. May this covenant made on earth continue for all eternity. Amen.
from John Wesley's Covenant Renewal Service

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 538: "Hope of the World" O PERFECT LOVE
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Postlude

Charles Darnton

* Congregation stands.

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

*The rosebud on the altar is placed in celebration of the birth of Holly Joy Wright,
daughter of Lenka and Robert Wright, born on August 18, 2016, in Košice, Slovakia.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Spencer Edwards
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Mark Pichowicz
Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Andersen 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

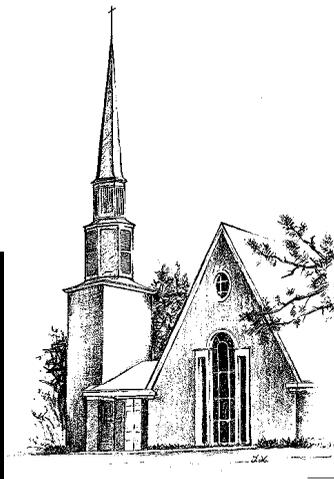
Wireless hearing aids are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex. Please ask an usher to assist you with a set. You may return the hearing aid to the Prayer Room following worship.

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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