

The Worship of God

September 25, 2016

THE NINETEENTH 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: Toccata in G

Johann Krieger

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Meditation on *Old Hundredth*

Mark Pichowicz

CHORAL INTROIT

Canadian Melody

Listen to the word that God has spoken; listen to the One who is close at hand; listen to the voice that began creation; listen even if you don't understand.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 18: "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

OLD HUNDREDTH

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Something inside, so strong, pulls us, beckons us:

People: Some presence in the still of night;

Minister: A sense of peace on a frantic day;

People: A fragment of a dream that bears much promise.

Minister: Something inside, so strong, steadies us, calms us:

People: A quiet confidence that we will make it through;

Minister: A growing faith that we are not alone;

People: A sense of wonder that opens new vistas.

Minister: Something inside, so strong, calls us to this place.

People: Something inside, so strong, causes us to sing:

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

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.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord of all, the demands of your righteousness are too hard for us to fulfill alone, so we rush off with this excuse and ignore your teachings. You forgive our iniquity and forget our sin, but we abuse these gifts and treat them as a license for selfishness, self-indulgence, and self-righteousness. You give us the gift of grace yet we make it cheap without serious repentance and fail to see the power of your faithfulness. We are your people, but do we know you as our God? Forgive us, Lord, the sins we know in our heart. Save us, Lord, from the sins we hide even from ourselves.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE EPISTLE LESSON:

I Timothy 6:6-19

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: "Be Thou My Vision"

arr. Heather Sorenson

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart. Naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night; waking or sleeping, thy presence my light. You shine in the night. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise. Thou mine inheritance, now and always. Thou and thou only, the first in my heart, my treasure thou art. Blessed Redeemer, my treasure thou art. High King of heaven, my victory won! May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, still be my light, and you will still be my vision, shine in the night. Be thou my vision, O Ruler of all. Be thou my Light when I walk through the night.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 612: "O Jesus, I Have Promised" ANGEL'S STORY
Children in grades K-5 will leave for Children's Church.

* 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 our Older Adult Ministry
which offers a range of activities for our more mature members.
The Acolyte brings forward a candle, symbolic of wisdom, and places it on the altar.*

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "I Will Arise"

arr. Robert Shaw/Alice Parker

I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms, in the arms of my dear Savior, Oh! There are ten thousand charms. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above, praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love. Come thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace, streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms, in the arms of my dear Savior, Oh! There are ten thousand charms.

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

Luke 16:19-31

SERMON:

"What Will It Take?"

Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, the Creator of the universe, the Redeemer of humankind, and the Sustainer of life. We believe in humanity, dust of the earth, made in God's image, driven by dreams, hungry for faith, lonely with doubt, whom God has marked with the power to love or hate, to nurture or kill, and to bless or curse. We believe in Jesus Christ, God Incarnate, flesh of our flesh, bone of our bone, who came to reveal what God is like, and what we can become. We believe that Jesus was crucified and raised from the dead, and that through his victory over sin, death, and the grave we too shall live, and never die. Amen.

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN: "Come, All Christians, Be Committed" Beach Spring

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

Come, all Christians, be committed to the service of the Lord.
Make your lives for him more fitted, tune your hearts with one accord.
Come into his courts with gladness, each his sacred vows renew,
Turn away from sin and sadness, be transformed with life anew.

Of your time and talents give ye, they are gifts from God above,
To be used by Christians freely to proclaim his wondrous love.
Come again to serve the Savior, tithes and offerings with you bring.
In your work, with him find favor, and with joy his praises sing.

God's command to love each other is required of every one;
Showing mercy to one another mirrors his redemptive plan.
In compassion he has given of his love that is divine;
On the cross sins were forgiven; joy and peace are fully thine.

Come in praise and adoration, all who on Christ's name believe;
Worship him with consecration, grace and love you will receive.
For his grace give him the glory, for the Spirit and the Word,
And repeat the gospel story till mankind his name has heard.

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Rondeau from *Abdelazar*

Henry Purcell

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Mark Briggs Strickland (September 29, 1975 - May 12, 1996) by his parents, Rita and Hank Strickland.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Dalton Jordan
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Mark Pichowicz
Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
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.

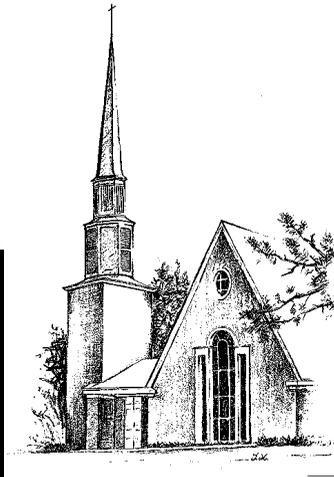
Childcare is available in the Preschool Building.

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 worshiping 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

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children in Kindergarten–Grade 5 are invited to participate in Children's Church with Leslie Paszek this morning. They will leave worship during the second hymn and may be picked up following worship in the Youth Building.

FELLOWSHIP SUPPER

Join us for a church-wide fellowship supper this evening at 6:00 p.m. in Robbins Hall. The church will provide fried chicken, bread, and beverages. Each family is asked to bring a vegetable, side dish, or dessert. Our youth will share stories and pictures from the Pilgrimage to Seattle.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Our annual Red Cross Blood Drive will be held November 7, from 2:30 - 7:00 p.m., the Monday after Lakeside Involved. You may donate blood to benefit local hospital patients and accident victims. Sign up will begin soon in the narthex on Sunday mornings or make an on-line appointment at redcrossblood.org/make-donation.

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

12:15 p.m. Children's Committee Meeting, Conference Room
5:00 p.m. Preschool Storytime, Children's Missions Activities
Youth Choir
6:00 p.m. Covered Dish Fellowship Supper, Robbins Hall
6:15 p.m. Children's Choir
6:30 p.m. Pilgrimage Presentation, Robbins Hall