

The Worship of God

October 19, 2014

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: Suite

Nicholas Lebègue

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Prélude

César Cui

CHORAL INTROIT

Samuel S. Wesley

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.

For it is thou Lord, thou Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

Psalms 5:8 and 4:8

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 595: "Be Thou My Vision"

SLANE

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Hints and whispers abound. God seeks us where we are:

People: A voice calling our name in the twilight of sleep;

Minister: A call seen in the outstretched hands of the poor;

People: A new dawning of insight while at prayer;

Minister: An internal shift of perception felt in the heart;

People: A joyous peace in the midst of play;

Minister: The lifting of a burden, a flood of tears, a burst of laughter.

People: God is near and we are grateful!

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Lanny Wolfe

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel his mighty power and his grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face; surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

(Ushers will seat those waiting.)

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. We have mistaken our desires as your will. We have presumed to hear your voice when we have not listened for you to speak. We have marched under your banner without seeking your guidance. Forgive our presumption and our unwillingness to ask hard questions of ourselves. Grant us your grace and lead us in your way through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

Matthew 22:15-22

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: "Total Praise"

Richard Smallwood

Lord, I will lift my eyes to the hills knowing my help is coming from you. Your peace you give me in time of the storm. You are the source of my strength, you are the strength of my life. I lift my hands in total praise to you.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 214: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

TOPLADY

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Praise to the Lord

Johann Gottfried Walther

* 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 Labyrinth which offers us opportunities for prayer and meditation. The Acolyte brings forward prayer books and places them on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "O Rest in the Lord" from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn

O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for him, and he shall give thee thy heart's desires.

Commit thy way unto him, and trust in him; and fret not thyself because of evil doers.

Jaye Biggs and Carol Lucas, soloists

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 33:12-23

SERMON: "Was It You, Lord?"

Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God our Father and in his grace made known to us in Jesus Christ. We believe that God's Spirit is with us in this present moment, offering comfort, courage, vitality, love and peace. We believe that God enables us to become useful persons, hopeful in outlook and open to the possibilities of each new day. We accept his grace, celebrate his presence, and dedicate our lives in his service.

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 67: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

ST. ANNE

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

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Come, Holy Ghost

J.S. Bach

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of
Grace and Graham Dean,
Leon and Myrlie Henderson
and Lyn H. Clark
by Emily and Leon Henderson.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Spencer Edwards
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Mark Gansor
Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Trevor Graham
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

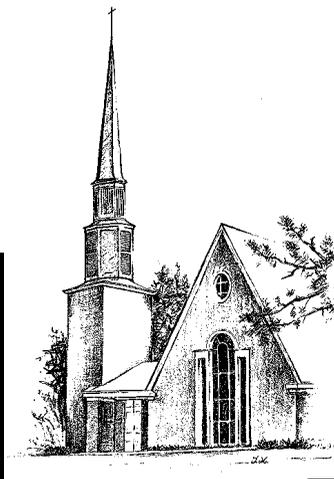
5:00 p.m. Preschool Storytime, Children's Missions Activities; Youth Choir and Handbells
5:45 p.m. Dinner for Preschoolers and Children
6:00 p.m. Dinner for Youth
6:15 p.m. Preschool Music and Activities, Children's Choir
6:30 p.m. SNL
7:15 p.m. Diaconate, Conference Room

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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