

The Worship of God

October 21, 2018 **THE TWENTY-SECOND 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: Praeludium in C Dietrich Buxtehude

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Psalm Prelude, Psalm 23 Emma Lou Diemer

CHORAL INTROIT Joachim Neander

Gracious God, I come before thee, come thou also unto me; where we find thee and adore thee, there a heaven on earth must be. To my heart O enter thou, let it be thy temple now.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 59: “This Is My Father’s World” TERRA BEATA
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

* CALL TO WORSHIP Sheila Martin

Deacon: How richly we are blessed, O Lord.

People: Under your bountiful love, how we have prospered!

Deacon: Now we would say thanks by remembering others of your children,

People: Giving what we have beyond our need for others whose needs are not yet met.

Deacon: Early and late shall our prayers of praise rise to you,

**People: Reinforced by our gifts of caring, that our words may never be empty
nor the needs of our neighbors go unfulfilled.**

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION Bernard Kyamanywa

Christ has arisen to set us free. Alleluia, to him praises be. Jesus is living! Let us all sing; he reigns triumphant, heavenly King. Let us sing praise to him with endless joy. Death's fearful sting he has come to destroy. Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!

(Ushers will seat those waiting.)

REFLECTIONS ON STEWARDSHIP

MINISTRY BY THE LAKE Ginger Maynard

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 10:35-45

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: “Gather Your Children” Allan Mahnke

Gather your children, dear Savior, in peace, and draw us to you with your passionate pleas; still seek us and call us to come and be blessed to find in your arms, Lord, safety, comfort, and rest. Knowing you, loving you, naming you Lord, we cluster around you, and grow by your Word, one day to remember these moments so rare, of caring and closeness, just because you are there. Love be our banner, forgiveness our theme, compassion our nature, your vision our dream; who knows what the Spirit of God yet can do, what joy can be tasted, or what promise come true? Host at our table in our house and yours, here bind us together with love that endures; like parents, like children, let this be our fame, that, blest, we bless many, to the praise of your name.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 612: “O Jesus, I Have Promised” ANGEL’S STORY

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Psalm Prelude, Psalm 24 Emma Lou Diemer

* 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 United Community Ministries which provides a "nurturing and supportive environment for homeless, and nearly homeless, families and individuals as they move toward wholeness." The Acolyte brings forward a candle holder depicting the community united in prayer and support.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: “A Heart to Serve” Valerie Showers Crescenz

O Lord, if I will wait for thee, my heart’s desire you’ll give to me; what I desire, Lord, most of all is but a heart that hears your call. O Lord, create in me anew a heart that’s honest, pure and true; a heart to love, a heart to learn, a heart to share, a heart to serve. Whatever joy my future brings will not be found in earthly things; I’ll have the greatest of rewards: a heart whose joy is in the Lord. Give me a heart that loves you best, a heart that finds you in my rest, a heart to love, a heart to learn, a heart to share, a heart to serve.

THE HISTORY LESSON: Acts 4:32-5:11

SERMON: “Covenant . . . Not Coercion” Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in the God of fruit time and harvest, who makes the land to bear gifts in its time and fills our tables with the bounty of his hand;

We believe in Jesus Christ his Son, who was the first fruit of those who slept, and brings us to spiritual tables where our cups are always full.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who causes us to remember all things for which we are grateful and teaches us to see a relationship between our gifts and the Giver;

We believe in the world as the arena of our spiritual life, where we are to share our tables with the poor and our hospitality with the stranger; for in so doing we shall fulfill the desires of him who has given us everything so that life might be full and complete. Amen.

John Killinger, adapted

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 272: “The Church’s One Foundation” AURELIA
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Prelude in G (BWV 541) J.S. Bach

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of
John Lucas and Maegan Estep upon the occasion of their upcoming wedding
and in memory of John’s grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Gaylord L. Lehman and James R. Lucas,
by Carol and Will Lucas.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Millar Berry
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Eddie Abernathy
Guest Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Chandler Lamm
Crucifer

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*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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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

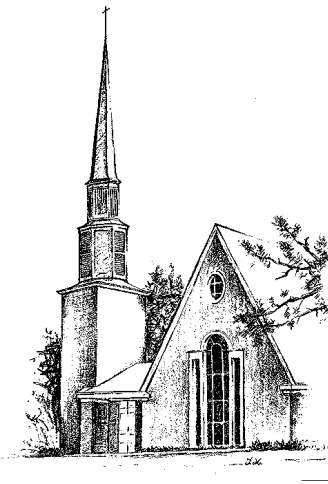
- 12:15 p.m. Diaconate, Conference Room
- 4:30 p.m.. Youth Set-up for Fall Festival, Lehman Courtyard
- 5:00 p.m.. Fall Festival, Lehman Courtyard, Youth and Music Suites
- 7:00 p.m.. Youth Clean-up

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.



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Lakeside*

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