

# The Worship of God

October 27, 2013

REFORMATION SUNDAY

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. Following the service, greet our visitors and share your friendship with those around you. Wireless hearing aids are available in the narthex.

## PREPARATION AND PRAISE

ORGAN PRELUDE: Fugue in E<sup>b</sup> J.S. Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Sonata per Organo Domenico Scarlatti

CHORAL INTROIT: "Day by Day" Harold Friedell

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: to see thee more clearly,  
love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day. St. Richard of Chichester

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 65: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" EIN' FESTE BURG  
*(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 65

Minister: Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed.

**People: Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.**

Minister: You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it. You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

**People: You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness. The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy.**

Minister: The meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

**People: By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.**

\* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION Silesian Melody

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine!

## FAMILY DEDICATION

*Today we celebrate the dedication of Lindley Addison Green,  
born on June 23, 2013, to Amy and David Green.*

HOMILY

THE COVENANT

Minister: Do you parents present your child before God, in solemn dedication?

*Parents: We do.*

Minister: Do you commit yourselves as parents to bring up your child in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

*Parents: We do.*

Minister: Do you promise to instruct your child in the teachings of Jesus Christ and in the practice of prayer, and to provide guidance in the development of a Christlike character?

*Parents: We do.*

Minister: Do you promise, to the best of your ability, so to shape your home life, by your words and by your example, that your child will naturally come to an open confession of Christ as Lord and enter into the fellowship and service of the church?

*Parents: We do.*

Minister: As a congregation, what pledge do you make to these parents?

**People: We rejoice in this new life that has come into your family, and we pledge to you our support, encouragement, and prayers as you seek to raise your child in a Christian home. We further pledge to do our part in nurturing your child's growing faith through worship, teaching, and service.**

THE UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**O God, our heavenly Parent, we have received our children in trust from you. Acting as stewards of this holy trust, help us to love our children unselfishly, and to guide them into righteous living. We pledge our lives to the fulfillment of this holy calling, and pray for your divine help through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

THE BLESSING OF THE CHILD

ANTHEM: "Jesus, Friend, So Kind and Gentle" Traditional French Carol

Jesus, Friend, so kind and gentle, little ones we bring to thee; grant to them thy dearest blessing,  
Let thine arms around them be; now enfold them in thy goodness, from all danger keep them free.

## MEDITATION

THE PSALTER LESSON: Psalm 46

ANTHEM: "O How Amiable" Ralph Vaughan Williams

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be always praising thee. The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us. Prosper thou our handiwork. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 546: "Amazing Grace!" NEW BRITAIN

*Children in grades K-5 will leave for Children's Church.*

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Two Chorales Max Reger

\* 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 salvation and for the grace of God which transforms all life. The Acolyte brings forward a cross and places it on the altar.*

## PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "The Church's One Foundation" Samuel Wesley/arr. John Ferguson  
*The text of the anthem is hymn 272.*

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

Luke 18:9-14

SERMON:

“It’s Not About You!”

Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**Eternal God, we believe that you are the light of the minds that know you,  
the joy of the hearts that love you,  
and the strength of the wills that serve you.**

**As we live in these days of resurrection hope,  
grant us so to know you that we may truly love you,  
and so to love you that we may fully serve you,  
whom to serve is perfect freedom and life everlasting. Amen.**

Augustine of Hippo (adapted)

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\* RECESSIONAL HYMN 25: “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” **LOBE DEN HERREN**  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*

\* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

\* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Praeludium in b **J. S. Bach**

\* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Garrett McWayne Bishop (June 8, 1958 - October 27, 2005) by Mom and Pop, Leannette and Kurt.*

#### THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright  
*Senior Minister*  
Eliza Craig Parker  
*Acolyte*

Elizabeth Edwards  
*Associate Minister*  
Mark Gansor  
*Organist*

Amy Shortt  
*Minister of Music*  
Georgia Morris  
*Crucifer*

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.*

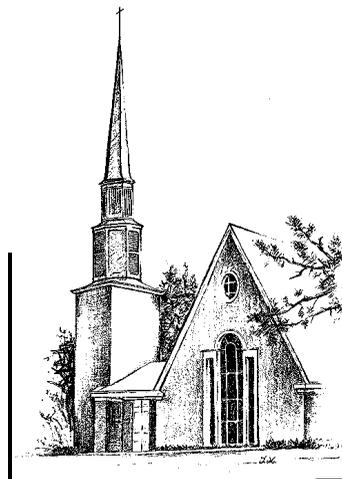
*The paraments on the altar, pulpit, and lectern, along with the ministers’ stoles provide us with visual cues about the meaning of our faith. Today is Reformation Sunday when we commemorate Dr. Martin Luther’s posting of his Ninety-five Theses on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany on October 31, 1517. Luther’s call for an evaluation of Church doctrine led to the great rediscovery of the good news of salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. The color of the day is red, a reminder of fire which symbolizes the Spirit of God, and of blood which symbolizes the life created and redeemed by God for which Christ and other martyrs of the faith have died. The Jerusalem Cross, comprised of one large cross surrounded by four smaller crosses, reminds us of the spread of the Gospel to the four corners of the earth.*

#### 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. We also invite you to visit our website at: [lakesidechurchrmt.org](http://lakesidechurchrmt.org).



# Worship at Lakeside

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