

# The Worship of God

November 5, 2017

ALL SAINTS 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 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: All Glory Be to God on High J.S. Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring J. S. Bach

CHILDREN'S CHORAL INTROIT: "The Heavens Declare the Glory of God" James Brighton

The heavens declare the glory of God. The skies proclaim the work of God's hands. Day after day they shine forth with praise, declaring the glory, the glory of God. Sun and moon and stars of light speak of God's wonder each day and night. Shining so brightly for all to see, filling the heavens they gladly sing, "Glory to God, blessed Creator and King!"

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 637: "For All the Saints" SINE NOMINE  
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Jerry Baker

Deacon: Lord, open our lips,

**People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Deacon: Blessed are you, God our Father, for surrounding us with so great a cloud of witnesses:

**People: For all the saints who went before us, who have spoken to our hearts and touched us with your fire;**

Deacon: For all the saints beside us, whose weaknesses and strengths are woven with our own;

**People: For all the saints who live beyond us, challenging us to change the world with them;**

Deacon: For these and all your mercies, we praise you: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

**People: Blessed be God for ever!** Janet Morley *Bread of Tomorrow*, © 1992

\* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHILDREN'S CHORAL ADORATION: "Pié Jesu" Tom Shelton

*Pié Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem.* Merciful Jesus Lord, give them rest.

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,* Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

*Pié Jesu, dona eis requiem sempiternam.* Merciful Jesus, give them rest eternally.

## THE MEMORIAL SERVICE

THE HOMILY

THE NAMING OF OUR BELOVED SAINTS

*Anne Bailey*

*Ernest Bridgers*

*Ann Moore Morton*

*Jackie Raper*

*Robbie Robbins*

*Don Scalf*

*June Shearin*

*Lambert Sutton*

THE KINDLING OF THE FLAMES

*After the candles have been lit in memory of these friends, you are invited to come forward during the anthem and light a candle in memory of a loved one from your circle of friends or family, especially if the death has occurred during the past year. You may also light a candle for someone who died years ago, but whose memory is still bright for you. Deacons will be at the head of the center aisle to provide candles, light them, and help you place them in the chancel area.*

## MEDITATION

THE EPISTLE LESSON: I John 3:1-3

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 638: "In the Bulb There Is a Flower" PROMISE

\* 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!**

## PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "No Time" arr. Susan Brumfield

Rise, oh, fathers, rise; let's go meet 'em in the skies. We will hear the angels singing in that morning.

Oh I really do believe that just before the end of time, we will hear the angels singing in that morning.

Rise, oh, mothers; rise, let's go meet 'em in the skies. We will hear the angels singing in that morning.

Oh I really do believe that just before the end of time, we will hear the angels singing in that morning.

No time to tarry here, no time to wait for you. No time to tarry here, for I'm on my journey home.

Brothers, oh, fare ye well, for I'm on my journey home. Sisters, oh, fare ye well, for I'm on my journey home.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 5:1-12

SERMON: "The Best Is Yet To Come" Dr. Wright

## THE CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

THE APPROACH TO THE TABLE: "I Give You a New Commandment" Peter Aston

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you, so you are to love one another.

If there is this love among you, then all will know that you are my disciples. *John 15:12-15*

UNISON CONFESSION OF SIN

**Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. At times we accept the goodness of our life but take it for granted; at other times we despair of the inequities of life but do not appreciate what we already have. Often we simply neglect to think about life and its significance. Enliven us to the realities of each day and fill us with gratitude as your blessed children.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD: "This is my body which is broken for you."

THE SHARING OF THE CUP: "This is the new covenant of my blood."

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into Hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

- \* RECESSIONAL HYMN 108: "Lift High the Cross" CRUCIFER  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*
- \* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
- \* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Te Deum from *Five Improvisations* Charles Tournemire
- \* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Theo Pitt, Sr. by Theo and Molly Pitt.*

**THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP**

Jody C. Wright <i>Senior Minister</i>	Elizabeth Edwards <i>Associate Minister</i>	Amy Shortt <i>Minister of Music</i>
Sadie Ponte <i>Acolyte</i>	Sara Raper <i>Torchbearer</i>	Reynolds Cobb <i>Crucifer</i>
	Mark Pichowicz <i>Organist</i>	

*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. Today is All Saints Sunday when we remember the faithful believers who have died and been granted life eternal. The color of the day is white, symbolic of purity and light. The Celtic Cross with its circle reminds us of the sacrificial love and eternal nature of God. The Acolyte brings light to the altar as a reminder of Christ, the Light of life, and the Torch Bearer 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.*

**BENEVOLENT OFFERING**

As we do each time we have communion, today we will receive a Benevolent Offering for local ministries. RainBowls will be available at each of the exits to receive your offerings as we leave worship.

**TODAY AT LAKESIDE**

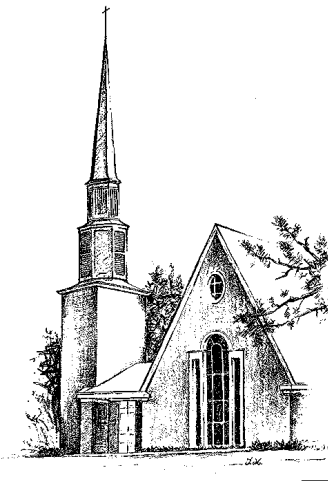
- 3:00 p.m. . . . . UCM Open House, Bassett Center, 916 Branch Street
- 5:00 p.m. . . . . Preschool Activities, Youth and Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 5:45 p.m. . . . . Supper for Preschoolers, Children, and Youth
- 6:15 p.m. . . . . Preschool Storytime, Children's Missions Activities, SNL for Youth
- 7:00 p.m. . . . . Preschoolers Dismiss
- 7:15 p.m. . . . . Children Dismiss
- 7:15 p.m. . . . . Lakeside Youth Fellowship, Dunkin Donuts

**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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