

The Worship of God

November 10, 2013

THE TWENTY-FIFTH 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. 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: Sanctus and Benedictus

Francois Couperin

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Picardy

John Schack

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 27: "Come, Thou Almighty King"
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

ITALIAN HYMN

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 145

Minister: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People: The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

Minister: All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you.

People: The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Minister: He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry, and saves them.

People: The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

Minister: The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

People: My mouth will praise the Lord, and all flesh will bless his holy name for ever and ever.

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

Donald Moore

O come, let us sing unto the Lord, to him our voices raise. O come, with joyful voices praise.

(Ushers will seat those waiting.)

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, O Lord, for we have sinned. We praise you for the blessings we have received in life, but we do not share our abundance with others. We take great delight in the beauty and wonder of creation, but we do not take care of the earth that is our home. We celebrate our acceptance as your children, but we do not recognize others who are your children as well. We claim you as our God, but we want you only for ourselves.

Open our minds to understand how truly blessed we are. Open our eyes to all of the wonders of your world. Open our hearts to the ties that bind us to one another. And open our souls to your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

REFLECTIONS ON STEWARDSHIP

LET US BE . . . COMMITTED

Sheila Martin

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Job 19:23-27

MEDITATION

ANTHEM: "Gentle Words"

Shaker Tune/arr. Kevin Siegfried

What the dew is to the flower, gentle words are to the soul, and a blessing to the giver, and so dear to the receiver, we should never withhold. Gentle words kindly spoken often soothe the troubled mind, while links of love are broken by words that are unkind. Then O, thou gentle spirit, my constant guardian be, "Do to others," be my motto, "as I'd have them do to me."

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 62: "Creator God, Creating Still"

ST. ANNE

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Prayer

Larry Visser

* 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 shared mission as Christ's Church and the ministries of our congregation and community which help us to share the love of Christ with our neighbors. The Acolyte brings forward a church and places it on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Christ Has Broken Down the Wall"

Mark A. Miller

Christ has broken down the wall. Let us join our hearts as one. Christ has broken down the wall.

We're accepted as we are. Through God's love all is reconciled. We're accepted as we are. Cast aside your doubts and fears. Peace and love, freely offered here. We will tear down the walls! We will tear down every wall. God has called us one and all. Christ has broken down the wall.

THE EPISTLE LESSON:

I Corinthians 12:1-11

SERMON:

"Let Us Be . . . United in Our Purpose"

Rev. Edwards

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in the God who created us in his image, each unique and uniquely gifted with talents and tendencies, interests and attributes which allow us to fulfill God's purposes for our lives. We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, by whose life, death and resurrection we are redeemed and freed to live the abundant and joyful life God desires for us. We believe in the Holy Spirit who continues to dwell with us, who transforms us into vessels through which God's love and mercy can flow, and who unites us to work for the fulfillment of God's Kingdom in this life and in the life to come.

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 269: "Come, Holy Spirit, Fill This Place"

TALLIS' CANON

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

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Fugue in F

J.S. Bach

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Buck Overton by Ann Winstead, Sue Daughety and their families.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Reynolds Cobb
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Mark Gansor
Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Michael Waters
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.

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

Children in kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to participate in Children’s Church with Nancy Parker today. The children will leave from the sanctuary during the second hymn by the south door to the right of the chancel area. Parents may meet their children in the Youth Building 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

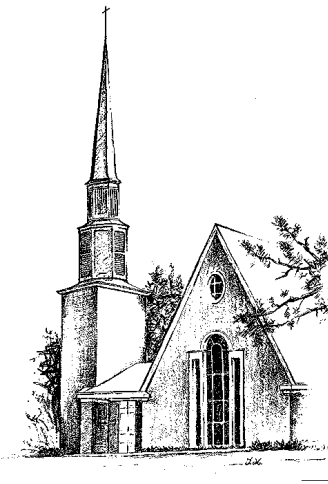
- 12:00 p.m. Second Sunday Lunch for Youth, Meet in Lehman Courtyard
- 5:00 p.m. Congregational Budget Forum, Lecture Room
- 5:00 p.m. Preschool Storytime, Children’s Missions Activities
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir and Handbells
- 5:45 p.m. Dinner for Preschoolers and Children
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner for Youth
- 6:15 p.m. Preschool Music and Activities, Children’s Choir
- 6:30 p.m. SNL

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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