

The Worship of God

November 11, 2018 **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 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: Fugue in g J. S. Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Rejoice Now, Ye Dear Christians J. S. Bach

CHORAL INTROIT Scottish Psalter

All those who know your name on earth shall life abundant know. On all abiding in your love your saving grace bestow.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 25: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: We await a Word from God as we gather in this place of worship.

People: We long for support and comfort and seek guidance for the living of these days.

Minister: In mystery and grandeur, we see the face of God.

People: In the earthiness and the ordinary, we know the love of Christ.

Minister: Come let us worship God!

People: Let us sing our faith with cheerful voice!

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION Shaker Tune arr. Kevin Siegfried

Love is little, love is low, love will make my spirit grow. Grow in peace, grow in light, love will do the thing that's right. Love is little, love is low, love will make our spirit grow. Grow in peace, grow in light, love will do the thing that's right.

(Ushers will seat those waiting.)

REFLECTIONS ON STEWARDSHIP

MINISTRY BY THE LAKE Chuck Taylor

MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: I Kings 17:8-16

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: "I Will Arise" arr. Robert Shaw/Alice Parker

I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms, in the arms of my dear Savior, Oh! There are ten thousand charms. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above, praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love. Come thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace, streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms, in the arms of my dear Savior, Oh! There are ten thousand charms.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 683: "O for a World" AZMON
Children in grades K-5 will leave for Children's Church.

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Thanks Be to Thee G.F. Handel

* 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 The Baptist Center for Ethics which challenges people of faith to advance the common good. The Acolyte brings forward a figurine holding up the world and places it on the altar. This image, common in Ghana, is a reminder that we hold the world gently in our hands, like an egg.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Lord of the Small" Dan Forrest

Praise to the Lord of the small broken things, who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing, who loves the lame child, and the wretch in the street, who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet. Praise to the Lord of the faint and afraid, who girds them with courage and lends them his aid; he pours out his spirit on vessels so weak that the timid can serve and the silent can speak. Praise to the Lord of the frail and the ill, who heals their afflictions or carries them till they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly, to never be sick and never to die. Praise him, O praise him, all ye who yet live, who've been given so much and can so little give, our frail, lispng praise God will never despise: he sees his dear children through mercy-filled eyes. Johanna Anderson

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 12:38-44

SERMON: "Lord of the Small" Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe that God's image lies in the hearts of all people including those whose ways are different from ours, whose faiths are foreign to us, and whose tongues are unintelligible to us. We believe that God loves all people with a great love, that all religion is an attempt to respond to God, and that the yearnings of other hearts are much like our own and are known to God. We seek to recognize God in words of truth, in things of beauty, and in the actions of love about us. As we pray for one another, we pray through Christ, who is a stranger to no one land more than another, and to every land no less than to another. Amen.

Adapted from the World Council of Churches, Vancouver Assembly, 1983

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 330: "Alleluia! Hear God's Story" W ZLOBIE LEZY
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Lobe Den Herren J. G. Walther

* Congregation stands.

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

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Elizabeth Paszek
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Phil Valera
Guest Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Spencer Edwards
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.
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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 CHURCH

Children in Kindergarten–Grade 5 are invited to participate in Children's Church with Nancy Parker this morning. They will leave worship during the second hymn and may be picked up following worship in the Youth Building.

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

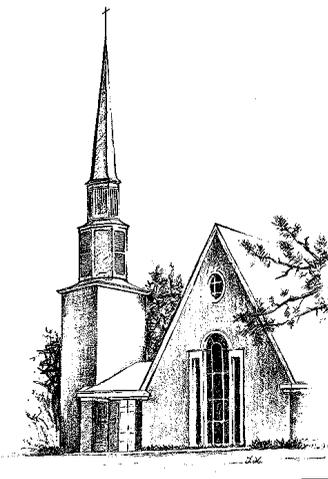
- 5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir, Preschool Building
- 5:00 p.m. Alleluia Choir, Children's Choir Room
- 5:45 p.m. Supper for Youth and Children
- 6:15 p.m. Missions and Music, Lakeside Youth Fellowship
- 7:15 p.m. Preschoolers, Children, and Youth Dismiss

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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