

# *The Worship of God*

## *“The Generous Community”*

November 16, 2014

THE TWENTY-THIRD 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: Voluntary in G

William Boyce

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Trio

Louis Clerambault

CHORAL INTROIT: “Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord” (*Elijah*)

Felix Mendelssohn

Cast thy burden upon the Lord; and he shall sustain thee. He never will suffer the righteous to fall; he is at thy right hand. Thy mercy, Lord, is great, and far above the heavens. Let none be made ashamed that wait upon thee!

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 110:

“You Servants of God”

HANOVER

*(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Come and hear what God has done:

**People: God has listened to all our prayers.**

Minister: When we pass through the torrent of deep troubles, God turns the sea to dry land.

**People: When we are tangled in the web of life, God does not let our feet slip.**

Minister: When we are tested as silver is tried, God keeps us in the land of the living.

**People: When we go through fire and water, God brings us to a spacious place.**

Minister: Come and hear what God has done!

**People: God surrounds us with steadfast love and hope.**

*Seekers Church, 1999, adapted*

\* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

\* THE INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION: Psalm XX

Heinrich Schütz

The Lord shall hear thee in distress, His name shall well defend thee. ‘Tis His to help, ‘tis His to bless, and strength He’ll surely send thee. To Him thy faithful offerings bear, for He thy need well knoweth, according to thine humble prayer which from thy heart out floweth, His blessings He bestoweth.

### CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, in this special season, we confess that we do not adequately live our gratitude. We are thankful for our abundance, but often do not share it generously. We are thankful for our homes, but frequently do not live in them lovingly. We are thankful for our friends, but sometimes do not treat them fairly. We are thankful for our freedom, but at times do not use it responsibly. We are thankful for our Lord, but often do not serve him faithfully. Forgive our past. Direct our present. Guide our future. To the end that we may joyfully declare your praise. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

Exodus 16:9-18

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: “Amazing Grace”

arr. John Rutter

*The text of the anthem is hymn 546.*

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 526:

“The Gift of Love”

GIFT OF LOVE

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Allegro in D

William Boyce

\* 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 Resolve It Together, a family-based conflict resolution workshop which focuses on the family system and works with both parents and youth to strengthen the supporting roles and communication within the family unit. The Acolyte brings forward a candle holder depicting people supporting one another and places it on the altar.*

### PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: “What Shall I Render To My God”

Austin Lovelace

What shall I render to my God for all his mercy’s store? I’ll take the gifts he hath bestowed and humbly ask for more. The sacred cup of saving grace I will with thanks receive, and all his promises embrace and to his glory live. My vows I will to his great name before his people pay, and all I have, and all I am, upon his altar lay. Thy lawful servant, Lord, I owe to thee whate’er is mine. Born in thy family below and by redemption thine. Thy hands created me, thy hands from sin have set me free, the mercy that hath loosed my bands hath bound me fast to thee. Praise him, ye saints, the God of love who hath thy sins forgiv’n, til gathered to the church above, we sing the songs of heav’n.

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

Mark 6:30-44

SERMON:

“A Church with No Needs”

Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in the Triune God: Father, Son, and Spirit, who calls us to abandon our pride, and to embrace people in every condition.**

**We believe that when we see persons who are hungry, we must feed them. Those who are thirsty, we must give to drink. The homeless we must house. The naked we must clothe. The sick, the imprisoned, the stranger – whatever the need we must address it.**

**We believe that whatever we do for one of God’s children, we are doing for God. If we should turn our backs, or harden our hearts, to the cries of any of God’s children, we have then rejected the very God who has redeemed us. But if we minister in his name, we shall receive eternal life, prepared for those who honor God with their deeds, as well as their words.**

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

- \* RECESSIONAL HYMN 459: “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” AUSTRIAN HYMN  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*
- \* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
- \* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on *Slane* Larry Visser
- \* 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> Edward Evans <i>Acolyte</i>	Elizabeth Edwards <i>Associate Minister</i> Mark Gansor <i>Organist</i>	Amy Shortt <i>Minister of Music</i> Georgia Morris <i>Crucifer</i>
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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.*

**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**

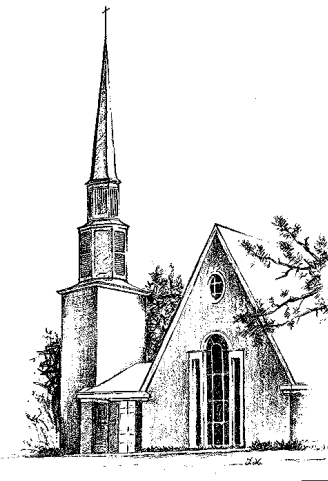
- 12:00 p.m. . . . . Annual Church Conference
- 5:00 p.m. . . . . Preschool Storytime, Children’s Missions Activities; Youth Choir and Handbells
- 5:45 p.m. . . . . Dinner for Preschoolers and Children
- 6:00 p.m. . . . . Dinner for Youth
- 6:15 p.m. . . . . Preschool Music and Activities, Children’s Choir
- 6:30 p.m. . . . . SNL
- 7:00 p.m. . . . . Diaconate

**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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