

# *The Worship of God*

## *“The Generous Community”*

November 23, 2014

CHRIST THE KING 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: Thanks Be to Thee  
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

G.F. Handel  
Hal H. Hopson

### WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Solemn Processional

Benedetto Marcello

### CHORAL INTROIT

arr. Kevin Siegfried

The angels of heaven are marching around the borders of Zion's holy ground; their music harmonious how it doth ring, and this is the heavenly song they sing. Holy, holy, holiness unto the Lord, love ye, love ye, love ye, one another.

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 276: “We Gather Together”  
*(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)*

KREMSER

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 95

Minister: Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

Minister: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

**People: The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.**

Minister: Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**People: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

### \* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

### \* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

### CHORAL ADORATION

Ancient Indian Melody/adapted Marian Jean Chute

Heart and mind, possessions, Lord, I offer unto thee; all these were thine, Lord, thou didst give them all to me. Wondrous are thy doings unto me. Plans and my thoughts and everything I ever do are dependent on thy will and love alone. I commit my spirit unto thee. Heart and mind, possessions, Lord, I offer unto thee; thou art the Way, the Truth: thou art the Life. Sinful, I commit myself to thee. Jesus Christ is filling all the heart of me. He can give me victory o'er all that threatens me. Jesus Christ is filling all my heart.

### CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

### THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. Forgive us for doubting that you are still at work in even the darkest hour or the most painful moments. Forgive us for our hesitant action, our cautious compassion, our too-frequent reluctance.

Redeeming God, teach us a stillness that leads to acts of kindness and clarity of vision. Shape in us a trust that leads to faithful witness and bold compassion. Form in us your love that loosens our worry and eases our anger. Make us true disciples: filled with love, acting with justice, and living in peace.

### THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 100

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: “Thanksgiving!”

John Ness Beck

For seed time and harvest and the good will of men, we give thanks to God the Father once again; for shelter in winter, for the thaw in the spring, our praise and thanksgiving to the Lord now we sing. For those we have loved who have gone on before through that shining bright celestial door; for all who shall follow in their place, we implore thy continuing saving grace.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

### THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 717: “Let All Things Now Living”

ASH GROVE

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

### \* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Fugue in C

Dietrich Buxtehude

### \* 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: “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 EPISTLE LESSON: II Corinthians 8:1-15

SERMON: “The Generous Community”

Dr. Wright

### AN ACT OF COMMITMENT

*We are each asked to come forward to place our giving plan cards before the altar.*

*During the hymn and following the choir, please come down the center aisle, place your pledge cards in the bowl, and return to your seats by the side aisles.*

THE HYMN 18: “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

OLD HUNDREDETH

### AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We affirm that love is the doctrine of this church, the quest of truth is its sacrament, and service is its prayer. To dwell together in peace, to seek knowledge in freedom, to serve human need, to the end that all souls shall grow into harmony with the Divine. Thus do we covenant with each other and with God.**

*Covenant Church, Houston, Texas*

### THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

- \* RECESSIONAL HYMN 714: “For the Fruit of All Creation” AR HYD Y NOS  
*(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)*
- \* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
- \* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Now Thank We All Our God J.S. Bach/arr. Virgil Fox
- \* Congregation stands.

*The cornucopia on the altar is given to the glory of God and in memory of Dr. Leon Whitfield Robertson, charter member of Lakeside, who was born on November 27, 1919, Thanksgiving Day, 95 years ago.*

#### THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

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| Jody C. Wright<br><i>Senior Minister</i> | Elizabeth Edwards<br><i>Associate Minister</i> | Amy Shortt<br><i>Minister of Music</i> |
| Reynolds Cobb<br><i>Acolyte</i>          | Mark Gansor<br><i>Organist</i>                 | Sara Raper<br><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.*

*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 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. 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.

#### 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

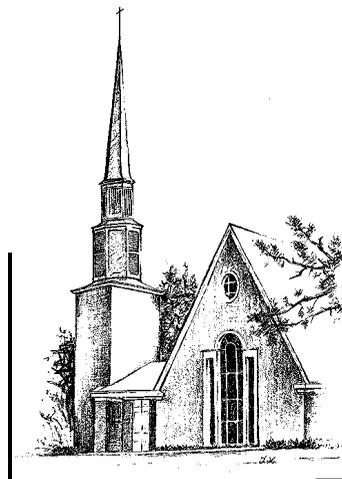
Wireless hearing aids are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex. Please ask an usher to assist you with a set. You may return the hearing aid to the Prayer Room following worship.

#### 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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