

The Worship of God

November 25, 2018

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: Voluntary in B^b John Stanley

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

HANDBELL MEDITATION: By His Hand Jason W. King

CHORAL INTROIT (*Hymn 659*) Norman L. Warren

People of earth, give ear! Should you not justice know? Will God your pleading hear, while crime and cruelty grow? Do justice, love mercy, walk humbly with your God.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 17: "O Worship the King" LYONS
(*The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.*)

* CALL TO WORSHIP Andy Barker

Deacon: We stand before you, God, with ready arms reaching for you.

People: We bow before you, God, with humbled hearts seeking you.

Deacon: We sing before you, God, with glad voices raised to meet you.

People: We kneel before you, God, with open souls lifted to greet you.

**All: God, in your glory, you have graciously reached for us.
We gather this day, reaching for you.**

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION arr. Mark Edwards

Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all thy life receive; suddenly return and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

(*Ushers will seat those waiting.*)

AN ACT OF COMMITMENT

GRATITUDE LEADS TO GENEROSITY Sam Johnson

*We are each asked to come forward to place our giving plan cards before the altar.
During the organ music, please come down the center aisle, place your pledge cards in the bowl,
and return to your seats by the side aisles.*

MEDITATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 18:33-40

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: "O Praise the Mighty Lord" from *Joshua* G.F. Handel/arr. Patrick M. Liebergen

O praise the mighty Lord, our God, sing a joyful song. He reigns in majesty, forevermore. O praise the mighty Lord with joyful song. Hallelujah.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 714: "For the Fruit of All Creation" AR HYD Y NOS
Children in grades K-5 will leave for Children's Church.

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

HANDBELL OFFERTORY: Alleluia Brian Tervo

* 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: "Light Everlasting" Olaf C. Christiansen

O Light everlasting, O Love never failing. Illumine our darkness, and draw us to thee; may we from thy Spirit receive inspiration that all thy creation thy wisdom may see. Make known to all nations! Thy salvation! Make known to all nations, thy peace, thy peace and salvation, and help us, O Father, thy temple to be.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: II Samuel 23:1-7

SERMON: "Thy Kingdom Come" Rev. Edwards

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We thank Thee, then, O Father, for all things bright and good,
The seed time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food;
No gifts have we to offer, for all thy love imparts,
But that which Thou desirest, our humble, thankful hearts.
All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above;
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all His love. Amen.**

Matthias Claudius

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 66: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" ST. DENIO
(*Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.*)

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Prelude from Te Deum Marc- Antoine Charpentier

* 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, 99 years ago.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Daniel Edwards
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Phil Valera
Guest Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Sara Raper
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 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.

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.

COMMITMENT SUNDAY

Having approved our Ministry Plan for 2018 on last Sunday, today we bring our Giving Plan cards and offer them in an act of commitment to our shared ministry. Additional Giving Plan cards are available from the ushers.

TODAY AT LAKESIDE

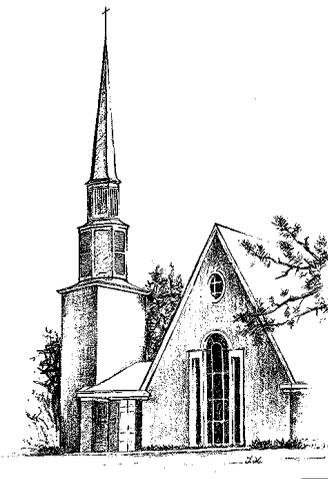
- 12:15 p.m. Youth Committee, Youth Room
- 4:50 p.m. Youth Depart for Jingle Mingle at Englewood UMC
- 5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir, Preschool Building
- 5:00 p.m. Alleluia Choir, Children's Choir Room
- 5:45 p.m. Christmas Party for Preschoolers and Children
- 7:15 p.m. Preschoolers and Children Dismiss
- 7:15 p.m. Youth Return to Lakeside

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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