



The Link

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CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Jackson Ross Browder - Rocky Mount Academy
will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Spencer Reuel Bulluck - Rocky Mount Academy
will attend East Carolina University

Dawn Hunter Cuthrell - Rocky Mount Academy
will attend North Carolina State University

Trevor Knox Graham - Rocky Mount Academy
will attend North Carolina State University

Mary Kathryn Sullins Jaber - Rocky Mount Academy
will attend Meredith College

COLLEGE GRADUATES

Sallie Tillman Bailey - Virginia Commonwealth University
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Crafts and Material Studies with a Minor in Art History

Robert Kincheloe Barnes - University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
(Marty and Bill Kincheloe's Grandson)
Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration

Dianne Willcox Bulluck - Chamberlain College of Nursing
Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Catherine Elizabeth Hedgepeth - High Point University
Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration

Ashley Elizabeth Jones - University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
(Winnie and Steve Raper's Granddaughter)
Bachelor of Science in Public Health Administration

Katilyn Marie Reda - New York University, Tisch School of the Arts
Bachelor of Arts in Drama/Musical Theatre

Morgan Lynn Willcox - Nash Community College
Associate Degree in Medical Assisting

ADVANCED DEGREE GRADUATES

William Keith Ballentine, III - UNC - Chapel Hill, School of Medicine
Medical Doctrate

Allen Tippett Stanton - Duke Divinity School
Master of Divinity

Nicholas Clarence Stewart - Wake Forest University School of Law
Juris Doctrate

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

Please remember the following persons who need our prayers and support:

Wake Medical Center, 3000 New Bern Avenue, Raleigh, NC 27610

Bobbie Collie, Room 2E41

Rex Hospital, 4420 Lake Boone Trail, Raleigh, NC 27607

Dot Renn (Winnie Raper's sister)

Virginia Medical Center, Fairfax, VA

Susan Datta (Ann Wall's sister), ICU

Rocky Mount Rehabilitation Center, 160 Winstead Avenue (04)

Bill Waters, Room 119

At Home:

Alfred Ayscue, 5031 Brassfield Drive (03)

Betty Anderson, 126 Hurtville Lane, Reed Spring, Missouri 65737

Bettina Godwin Batts (Betty Godwin's daughter)

Leo Bishop, 3801 Woodlawn Road (04)

Lee Broughton, 516 Pelican Drive East, Pine Knoll Shores, NC 28512

David Carter, 312 North Shores Road, Washington, NC 27889

Natalie Stewart Cortez, 6410 Lakewood Blvd., Dallas, Texas 75214

Gwen Davis, PO Box 8049 (04)

Hank Dunham, 1109 Meadow Drive, Townville, SC 29689

Cameron Graham, 1220 Cheshire Lane (03)

Brenda and John Hartness, 1041-I North Jamestown Road, Decatur, GA 30033

Vernon Hoyle (Bill Hoyle's brother), 201 J Morgan St., Forest City NC 28043

Anaiah Knowles, 6408 N. 131st Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68164-1043

Kathy Manning, 237 S. Winstead Avenue Apartment Q (04)

Linda Millar, 8 Golden Eye Cover (04)

Cristi Gonzales Pollock, 5032 Crown Point Lane, Wilmington, NC 28409

Lindy Brice Schmidt, 9275 Oldfield Road, Calabash, NC 28467

Joyce Siler, River Landing, 1575 John Knox Dr., #P-203, Colfax, NC 27235

Beverly Griffin Troutman, 1192 N. Foxhill Road, Flagstaff, Arizona 86004

Betty Watts, 616 Nichole Lane (03)

Our Members-at-Home

Dot Daughtridge, Autumn Care, 1210 Eastern Ave., Nashville, NC 27856

Jerry Jolley, Autumn Care, 1210 Eastern Ave., Nashville, NC 27856 Room 305-B

Marie Price, 3786 Loblolly Drive (04)

Audrey Scarboro, 724 York Street (03)

Marjorie Taylor, Golden Living Center, 1000 Western Blvd., Tarboro, NC 27886

We rejoice with Lisa and Will Pridgen who were married on May 9 at St. Mary's Chapel in Raleigh. Will is the son of Beth and Dwayne Pridgen.

I greatly appreciate all of the cards, telephone calls and prayers as I continue to recuperate from recent surgery. Lakesiders are the best! Bill Hoyle

DISCUSSION CLASS GUEST

Nash County Sheriff Keith Stone will speak to the Discussion Class this Sunday, May 17. All are welcome to attend.

BE THOU OUR VISION . . .

Have you completed your survey to help us discover God's vision for our church in the years ahead? Prayerfully reflect on the possibilities for our congregation and offer your ideas by June 7 so that we can begin talking about the exciting ways God is showing us the future of our ministry.

YOUTH NEWS

I hope all of the youth and your families plan to be with us this Sunday for worship and lunch as we celebrate with our seniors. Please let me know as soon as possible how many from your family will join us for lunch. Remember that your Gatekeepers registration forms are due by June 1. There will be a VBS staff orientation meeting on Thursday, May 28, at 7:00 p.m. at Church of the Good Shepherd. All youth and adult volunteers for VBS are encouraged to attend. Watch your email in the next few weeks about scheduling some fun outings this summer.

As the school year winds down and our regular schedule of activities comes to a close, I hope we will all continue to be mindful of ways we can respond to Christ's call to love God with our whole selves and love our neighbors as ourselves. Let us live Christ's example of loving others from the inside out! I look forward to seeing you all on Sunday. Elizabeth

MUSIC NOTES

The Youth Choir will rehearse with the Chancel Choir at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary on Sunday.

Chancel Choir, Wednesday evening rehearsals continue to be important as we prepare for weekly worship and for our upcoming Founder's Day Celebration. Attendance has been great! Keep up the good work!

On Founder's Day, after the covered dish luncheon, we will host an informal hymn sing in Robbins Hall. Please continue to think of your most meaningful hymns and invite family and friends to join us on this special day. Amy

SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - David Browder and Jim Henderson
 Ushers - Group II, Ray Weathers, Captain
 Crucifer - Beth Seagroves; Acolyte - Eliza Craig Parker
 Extended Session - Kimberly Hoff
 Nursery- Amy Green
 Audio Booth Volunteer - Whitley Sawyer

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2015 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$637,111

	Week	YTD
Anticipated Giving	\$12,252	\$232,790
Receipts May 10	\$19,513	\$211,829
Variance	+\$ 7,261	-\$ 20,961

WORSHIP AT LAKESIDE

May 17, 2015 ❖ Ascension Sunday
 Graduate and Youth Recognition Service

History Lesson: Acts 1:1-11
 Gospel Lesson: Luke 10: 25-28
 Sermon: "From the Inside Out"
 Chancel Choir Anthems:
 "The 23rd Psalm" - McFerrin
 "Now Go with God" - Allen
 Youth Anthems:

Duet: "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" - Scott
 Solo: "Children of the Heavenly Father" - arr. Bakken

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CHURCH STAFF

Jody Wright
 Senior Minister
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Elizabeth Edwards
 Associate Minister
 Christine Feno
 Secretarial Assistant
 Mark Gansor
 Organist

Amy Shortt
 Minister of Music
 Susan Skinner
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LAKESIDE CALENDAR

Sunday, May 17

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. Youth Choir and Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 10:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, Education Building Foyer
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 12:15 p.m. Graduate Luncheon, Robbins Hall
 7:00 p.m. Diaconate, Conference Room

Tuesday, May 19

9:30 a.m. Topnotcher's Trip to Greene County
 10:30 a.m. AI-Anon, Godwin Library
 7:00 p.m. Board of Finance, Conference Room
 7:00 p.m. Spring Recital of Amy Shortt's Students, Sanctuary

Wednesday, May 20

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 21

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor, Education Building

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of single-day volunteers to help with refreshments and crafts at VBS the week of June 15-19. If you can help for one or more mornings that week, please contact Elizabeth.

ANOTHER TASTE OF LAKESIDE

Thank you to everyone who has submitted recipes for our new cookbook. There is still time to share your favorite recipes before the June 7 deadline. Forms are available in the church office and on our website.

DO YOU REMEMBER . . . DID YOU KNOW?

As we prepare to celebrate our 60th Anniversary on June 7, we recall some of the good memories that have been created at Lakeside over the past six decades.

GATEKEEPERS

In the summer of 1992 the Toronto Blue Jays defeated the Atlanta Braves to win the World Series. Sir Mix-a-Lot's "Baby Got Back" was the number one song on the pop charts. Political pundits were quoting then-candidate Bill Clinton who said, "It's the economy, stupid," and "I didn't inhale." A first-class stamp would set you back twenty-nine cents, and a gallon of gasoline cost a whopping \$1.13.

And in the summer of 1992, about thirty youth and adults from Lakeside, along with a couple of friends from other churches, set out for Enfield to work on two houses in the Country Roads Workcamp. That first attempt at doing a local workcamp would, the next summer, be called Gatekeepers Workcamp, including volunteers from several local churches, utilizing a cooperative ministry model of offering free home repairs to elderly and disabled homeowners throughout the community. Now averaging about 200 volunteers per summer, Gatekeepers has, over the past 24 years, rehabilitated more than 250 homes in Rocky Mount. Gatekeepers is just one of the ways the Lakeside congregation has shown its commitment to local missions as well as collaborative efforts to benefit our entire community.

Elizabeth Edwards

TOPNOTCHERS

Susan Skinner, who has led Lakeside's Topnotchers since 2005, shares her memories of their adventures that have included more than 92 participants during these 10 years.

"For over thirty years the senior adults at Lakeside have been traveling from the mountains to the sea, exploring North Carolina, sharing friendships, and eating a lot of good food along the way. Around 1982, Vel Johnson saw a need to organize a senior adult group and recruited Nancy Parker to plan their activities. Working with the seniors, Nancy thought this group was "simply the best, top-notch," thus she called them Topnotchers. Nancy led the group for almost 20 years before Susan Skinner took the helm.

The Topnotchers have enjoyed many visits to museums, waterfowl parks, art centers, concerts, historic mansions and small country churches. They've eaten oysters and barbeque, chicken and shrimp and every "home-cooked" country vegetable and dessert they could find. On one such adventure, after a delicious meal, the owners of the historic manor were proudly lecturing us on the finer details of their home when suddenly we heard a loud "BOOM." It seems one of our seniors had become rather drowsy after such a fine meal and had dozed off, slipped from his chair and hit the floor. Our hosts never missed a beat in their lecture as we picked him up, dusted him off and returned him to his seat. The group always looks forward to the annual Valentine Banquet when the "Tops" enjoy not only good food but also entertainment by our Lakeside Youth.

The Topnotchers are truly Lakeside's treasure. Many celebrated the birth of Lakeside and have watched its growth with pride. They have inspired others to embrace the "Lakeside Way" as they have traveled this journey, and have certainly earned a "top-notch" place in Lakeside's history!"

Susan Skinner

WHAT IS HAPPENING BY THE LAKE?

Most often when someone rides by 1501 Sunset Avenue, there is a calm and tranquil look to our buildings and property. We dwell in a beautiful setting with City Lake as our front yard. Thanks to our Landscape Committee, our campus is beautiful with carefully selected plantings that offer interest and color year round. I think that most people traveling by Lakeside get a sense of purpose and tranquility. That is certainly what we strive to offer to our community.

The other side of the property often tells a different story. Our parking lot regularly fills and empties, sometimes several times a day. Church activities and community groups share our buildings throughout the week as we seek to support a variety of programs that foster individual growth and enhance the quality of life in Rocky Mount. Of course, our own ministries enhance our life of faith day by day.

This week, a variety of activities are ongoing. Various committees are working to prepare for our upcoming 60th Anniversary Celebration. Photographers are taking portraits for our new directory. Our preschool students and teachers are rehearsing for their graduation ceremony on May 21. Our staff and our Wedding Guild are preparing for a wedding this weekend as well as making final arrangements for our Graduate Recognition service and luncheon on Sunday.

Other matters related to the maintenance of our property are ongoing. Last week, spotlights in the ceiling of our sanctuary were replaced, a project not suited for the faint of heart. On Monday a crew tested the tray lights and replaced failing ballasts. Later this week, a roofing crew will address an ongoing problem of leaks in the Workcamp closet attached to Robbins Hall while other workers will repair a just-discovered leak in the steeple. We are fortunate that George and Peyton Millar oversee and complete much of the maintenance work done around the church. Just over a week ago, they installed a commercial refrigerator in our kitchen, a challenging task, to be sure. We are grateful to Jaye and James Biggs for providing this wonderful addition to our kitchen.

The most noticeable change to our campus will begin this week as workers remove our existing sign and begin building a new sign for the church. Given in celebration of the lives of Faith and Gaylord Lehman, Nancy and Webster Henry, and Margaret and Mac Carpenter, the new sign will be a beautiful addition to our property. Modeled on the shape of the Columbarium, it will have a cast concrete "face" with raised, brushed nickel letters. We are grateful to the Lehman, Henry, and Carpenter families for offering this gift to our congregation.

Lakeside is a place of purpose and serenity, but it is also a bustling, energetic family of faith. A lot is going on here by the lake, and we are the better for it. Thanks for all you do to keep Lakeside vibrant and engaged.

Jody Wright

