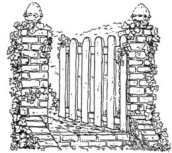




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GATEKEEPERS WORKCAMP

When Jesus spoke about God's Kingdom, he often used parables and images that surprised and perplexed his hearers, challenging them and us to "Color Outside the Lines," to think in unexpected ways about how God is at work in the world. In the coming week, we will make God's Kingdom visible in Rocky Mount through the work we do on our neighbors' homes and the relationships we build with one another. Matthew instructs, "Seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Each day during the week of July 12-17, over 100 youth and nearly 50 adults will gather to seek and to proclaim God's Kingdom as we repair homes throughout the community. We will offer scholarships to about a dozen youth who wish to participate in Workcamp but whose families are unable to afford the registration fee. If your class, group or family would like to sponsor these youth, please send donations to the church office marked "Gatekeepers Scholarship Fund." Thank you for your continuing support of Gatekeepers.

So that you can pray for our volunteers and homeowners, we will post the daily Workcamp devotion on our website at www.lakesidechurchrmt.org. May each of us consider ways we might make God's Kingdom known in our community and beyond.

Elizabeth Edwards

SUMMER COMMUNITY WORSHIP

Each summer congregations throughout the community gather for worship to build our unity, experience different styles of worship, and make new friends. Each service begins at 6:00 p.m. The overall theme this year is "The Church Tells a Different Story." Each week will focus on four contrasts we experience in life:

July 19: Host, First Presbyterian Church; Preacher, Rev. Richard Gerald

Theme: When the world tells a story of fear, the Church tells a story of hope.

July 26: Host, Mt. Zion First Baptist Church; Preacher, Rev. Matt Johnson

Theme: When the world tells a story of selfishness, the Church tells a story of love.

August 2: Host, Englewood Methodist Church; Preacher, Rev. Glenn Orr

Theme: When the world tells a story of violence, the Church tells a story of peace.

August 9: Host, Word Tabernacle Church; Preacher, Rev. Johnny Phillips

Theme: When the world tells a story of division, the Church tells a story of reconciliation.

MEDITATION GROUP SPEAKER

This Thursday, July 9, in Meditation Group, Catherine Eberhardt will be our guest clinician. Catherine has taught yoga and meditation since 1996 and has found yoga meditation to be a guiding force for her mental, physical and spiritual well-being. She will offer helpful tools as a guide to cultivate and deepen your personal mindfulness practice. Please join us on Thursday, July 9, at noon in the parlor.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

South Village Health and Rehabilitation, 2221 W. Raleigh Blvd. 27803

Jane Abbott

The Fountains at The Albemarle, 200 Trade Street, Tarboro, NC 27886

Betty Godwin, Skilled Nursing

At Home:

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

Bettina Godwin Batts (Betty Godwin's daughter)

Leo Bishop, 3801 Woodlawn Road (04)

Ernest Bridgers, 4758 Gardenia Circle (04)

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

Don Bulluck, 3512 Woodlawn Road (04)

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

Ella Coats, 1600 Hammond Street (03)

Bobbie Collie, 2712 Amherst Road (04)

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

Grady and Gwen Davis, PO Box 8049 (04)

Hank Dunham, 1109 Meadow Drive, Townville, SC 29689

Susi Goodman, 4009 Woodstock Road (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

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

Napoleon Taylor, 514 Hammond Street (04)

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

Betty Watts, 616 Nichole Lane (03)

Andy Wiggs (Jim Wiggs' son), 523 Ward Street, Graham, NC 27253

Our Members-at-Home

Ella Coats, 1600 Hammond Street (03)

Susi Goodman, 4009 Woodstock Road (03)

Carlton Kimbro, Liberty Commons, 121 Racine Drive, Wilmington, NC 28403

Grace Lewis, The Fountains at the Albemarle, 200 Trade St., Tarboro, NC 27886

We offer our sympathy to Betsy Waters and her family in the death of her husband, Bill Waters, on July 8. Bill was a Charter Member of Lakeside.

Thanks for your prayers and concern shown during the past year for my great-grandson, Anaiah Knowles. The bone marrow transplant was a complete success and Anaiah no longer requires tubes, meds, or isolation because of his immune system! He is living like a normal 19 month old child and is a true miracle! God bless you all!

Nancy Porter

THE LEHMAN BENEDICTION PRINTS

Marion Clark Weathers' time-limited release, "The Lehman Benediction," is being created in two sizes. You may call the church office or visit the Welcome page of our website at lakesidechurchrmt.org to purchase the prints. Orders will be received through July 31.

Unframed Lehman Benediction I (16"x20") \$75.00

Unframed Lehman Benediction II (11" x 14") \$ 50.00

YOUTH NEWS

Thanks to everyone who is helping to set up for Workcamp this week. All Workcamp participants remember that we will begin with the cookout on Sunday evening at 5:00 in Robbins Hall. If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to come by Lakeside to fill out your lunch forms by Thursday afternoon. Just as important as the set-up is the clean-up! Both youth and adults are needed to help with organizing and packing the Workcamp supplies on Wednesday, July 22 beginning at 10:00 a.m. It should only take a couple of hours.

I look forward to seeing you all on Sunday. Elizabeth

MUSIC NOTES

Montreat is a special place. The Worship and Music conference I attended last week is a special time: a time to get a little peace and quiet, to get up to the mountains, to see the stars, make some music, see old friends, and get some new ideas. It's sort of like a family reunion where ministers, choir directors, singers, organists, handbell ringers and instrumentalists all gather to rekindle, refresh, and renew the reason we serve in the first place. It is an opportunity to rediscover something about God that somehow seems to be more apparent at Montreat. As I reflect on the past weeks, the music made in Montreat, the community service at Lakeside two weeks ago, the breath of fresh air after summer rains, and the wonder of the night sky, I am grateful. I savor these moments and praise God for them. God is all around us if we only pay attention. I heard one preacher say that God is big at appearing on mountainsides and it seems so at Montreat. I also believe the same to be true here in Rocky Mount. Amy

OUT IN LEFT FIELD

A full production of *Out in Left Field* will take place in Robbins Hall Friday, September 18, 7:30 p.m. and again on Sunday, September 20, 2:00 p.m. The short play, by Lela Chesson, presents a light look at the heavy hurt suffered by a left-handed child of the 1940's. Its message serves as a kick-off to crucial conversations in our church and community in the months ahead as we focus on loving our neighbors and understanding our differences.

Auditions for *Out in Left Field* will be conducted by Lawrence Goering, director, in Robbins Hall, Lakeside Church, Monday, August 3, and Tuesday, August 4, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. (Drop in any time during these two-hour windows.) or by appointment (252- 813-0190). Anyone wishing to audition will be given, upon arrival, a short excerpt from the script to read. Rehearsals will begin with a read-through August 9 followed by weekly rehearsals (two nights per week—Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays depending on actors' availability) with the final dress rehearsal September 17.

SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Jerry Hamrick and Jill Ward
 Ushers - Group I, Grady Pittman, Captain
 Crucifer - Katy Jaber; Acolyte - Connor Evans
 Extended Session - Elaine and Paul Jaber
 Audio Booth Volunteer - Wayne Cotton

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2015 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$637,111

	Week	YTD
Anticipated Giving	\$12,252	\$330,808
Receipts July 6	\$18,665	\$289,670
Variance	+\$6,413	-\$41,138

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Linda Davis Administrative Assistant	Christine Feno Secretarial Assistant	Susan Skinner Senior Adult Director
Napoleon Taylor Custodian	Mark Gansor Organist	Samantha Saiz Preschool Director

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LAKESIDE CALENDAR

Thursday, July 9

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

Sunday, July 12

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 10:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, Education Building Foyer
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 5:00 p.m. Gatekeepers Workcamp Cookout, Robbins Hall

Monday - Friday, July 13-17

7:00 a.m. Gatekeepers Workcamp Day Begins
 3:30 p.m. Gatekeepers Workcamp Day Concludes

Monday, July 13

10:30 a.m. WMU Group 6, Office Suite Conference Room

Tuesday, July 14

10:30 a.m. Al-Anon, Godwin Library

WORSHIP AT LAKESIDE

July 12, 2015 ❖ The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Out of the Minds of Children: Questions of Faith

Biblical Lessons: Genesis 1:26-2:3; Matthew 22:34-40

Sermon: "Why Did God Create Me?"

Inspired by questions posed by Spencer Edwards and Edward Evans.

Chancel Choir Anthems:

"Look at the World" - Rutter; "Prayer of Consecration" - Dressie