



# The Link

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## A NOTE FROM MARK GANSOR

Dear Friends,

It is with mixed emotions that I offer my resignation as organist of Lakeside Church effective September 27, 2015. It has been an honor and a joy to serve this congregation for the past 26 years, and I count you all as my family.

Lakeside will always hold a special place in my heart and I will always be available to offer my help with any special needs. I offer my prayers for you and ask the same in return for me.

With peace and love,  
Mark Gansor

It is with regret that we receive Mark Gansor's resignation as organist at Lakeside. For twenty-six years Mark has ministered to us through his music and other talents. He has helped lift us to the heights of joy and soothed us when our spirits were sad or uncertain. He has continually awed us with his musical gifts and blessed us in many ways. We are grateful for his ministry among us and his friendship with us.

Mark will be moving into a ministry position at St. Andrews-on-the-Sound Episcopal Church in Wilmington. Since he and Anthony relocated to Wilmington, Mark has made the drive to Rocky Mount on Sundays and Wednesdays and for other services. We are grateful for all of his efforts to continue his work with us.

At a later date, we will more publically express our appreciation to Mark and offer our blessings to him and Anthony. For now, each of you will find individual ways to offer your gratitude to Mark.

Jody Wright

## OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

**Nash General Hospital, 2460 Curtis Ellis Drive (04)**

**Tim Valentine**, Room 558

### At Home:

**Jane and Keith Abbott**, 3413 Brookview Road (04)

**Bettina Godwin Batts** (Betty Godwin's daughter)

**Ernest Bridgers**, 4758 Gardenia Circle (04)

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

**Denise Cappiello**, 3900 Hawthorne Road (04)

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

**Gwen Davis**, PO Box 8049 (04)

**Hank Dunham**, 1109 Meadow Drive, Townville, SC 29689

**Carrie Fussell**, 1420 Sunset Avenue (04)

**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

**Cody Richardson**, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

**Peggy Simpson**, 2916 Coleberry Trail (04)

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

**William Ward**, 3833 Westmoreland Drive (03)

**Betty Watts**, 616 Nichole Lane (03)

**Tom Wicker**, c/o Andy Barker, 6313 Sapony Trail, Elm City, NC 27822

**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

## TOPNOTCHERS NEWS

We hope you will join us for our 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration on Wednesday, September 30, in Robbins Hall in the Kincheloe Building.

### COMMUNITY HOSPICE MEMORIAL SERVICE

Community Home Care and Hospice will hold a service of remembrance in our sanctuary on Saturday, September 12, at 2:00 p.m. You are invited to join them to remember and honor loved ones. Please RSVP to Chaplain Kenneth Jarmon or Lisa Zube at 442-4918.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK-OFF BREAKFAST

Our Sunday School Kick-Off Breakfast will be held on Sunday, September 13, at 9:30 a.m. in Robbins Hall. Enjoy a delicious breakfast and wonderful fellowship while learning more about Sunday morning Bible study opportunities and upcoming events at Lakeside. We will also celebrate with our youth and children who are being promoted. Please sign up by contacting the church office or completing the Event Registration form on the church website.

### SCHOLARSHIP FUND RAISER

An Applebee's flapjack fundraiser will be hosted by PFLAG on Saturday, September 12, from 8:00-10:00 a.m. Tickets (\$7.00) may be purchased at the door. Proceeds will fund scholarships for area youth.



**YOUTH NEWS**

Our regular schedule of choirs, dinner and SNL will be in full BLOOM this Sunday night beginning at 5:00 p.m. Join us as we kick-off a great year of music, Bible study, mission projects, and activities as we BLOOM into all that God created us to be! Following SNL, around 6:30 p.m., we will travel to Pitstop Shoppe for our first Lakeside Youth Fellowship (LYF) of the year. Bring a few dollars, and as always, bring a friend! All youth and parents are reminded of the planning meeting on September

20 at 6:00 p.m. in the Lecture Room. Please note the time change. I look forward to having everyone back together on Sunday!  
Elizabeth

**MUSIC NOTES**

Choir Festival 2015—"At the River"—will be held on Saturday, September 12, from 1:00-5:00 p.m. in the music suite. We will revisit choral technique, get a jump start on music for the coming church year, and have fun with our choir friends. New and interested choristers are welcomed to attend to find out how we work and how we play! Come see what the fun is all about! A dinner party hosted by Ray and Marion Weathers will be held afterward. Spouses and significant others are welcomed to the dinner party.

Rehearsals for children and youth choirs will begin Sunday, September 13. Wednesday evening rehearsals for Chancel Choir and Lakeside Ringers resume September 16. I look forward to growing in music and faith together. Amy

**SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE**

Deacon Greeters - Matt Paszek and Trevor Lane

Ushers - Group III, Bill Hoyle, Captain

Crucifer - Will Hedgepeth; Acolyte - Eliza Craig Parker

Extended Session - Ann Winstead; Nursery - Susan Ballentine

Audio Booth Volunteer - Barry Goldstein

**LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN**

2015 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$637,111

	Week	YTD
Anticipated Giving	\$12,252	\$441,077
Receipts September 6	\$10,827	\$367,479
Variance	-\$1,425	-\$73,598

**WORSHIP AT LAKESIDE**

**September 13, 2015 • The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Old Testament Lesson: Proverbs 1:20-33

Epistle Lesson: James 3:1-12

Sermon: "Words of Wisdom"

Chancel Choir Anthems:

"Be Thou My Vision" - arr. Parker

"Gentle Words" - arr. Siegfried

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**CHURCH STAFF**

Jody Wright Senior Minister	Elizabeth Edwards Associate Minister	Amy Shortt Minister of Music
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, September 10**

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor  
7:00 p.m. Missions Committee, Conference Room

**Saturday, September 12**

1:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Festival, Music Suite  
2:00 p.m. Community Hospice Memorial Service, Sanctuary

**Sunday, September 13**

9:30 a.m. Sunday School Kick-off Breakfast, Kincheloe Hall  
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. Preschool Storytime, Children's Missions Activities, Youth Choir  
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  
6:15 p.m. SNL  
7:00 p.m. Preschoolers and Children Dismiss  
7:30 p.m. Lakeside Youth Fellowship, Pitstop Shoppe

**Monday, September 14**

10:30 a.m. WMU Group 9, Parlor  
7:00 p.m. WMU Group 10, Parlor

**Wednesday, September 16**

6:30 p.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal



# OUT in Left Field

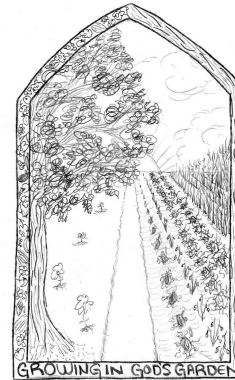
a play  
by  
Lela Chesson

directed by  
Lawrence Goering

*Out in Left Field*, a short play by Lela Chesson, will be directed by Lawrence Goering in Robbins Hall, Lakeside Baptist Church, Friday, September 18, 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, September 20, at 2:00 p.m.

The play centers on the plight of a young left-hander in the 1940's and points to the struggles of all who face the pain of feeling different. It is a light look at the deep pain young Billy Ray experiences as he faces rejection in school, his church and community. These painful experiences of yesterday run parallel to the suffering experienced by many people today.

Reservations are required and may be made by calling Lakeside (252-446-0126) or by visiting the church website: [lakesidechurchrmt.org](http://lakesidechurchrmt.org). There is no admission fee. Donations will be accepted to support a playground and meditation garden at My Sister's House.



## GROWING IN GOD'S GARDEN

During their Sunday night Missions and Music activities this year, our children and preschoolers will study Jesus' parables and learn how seeds of faith lead them to a closer relationship with God and a fruitful way of living out their faith as good neighbors. The children will use the image of a garden to discover how they grow in a variety of colors, shapes, sizes, and abilities and how God helps us and others to make our community and world more beautiful.

Specific information about the schedule of mission projects, activities, and music will be posted on the website and shared through *The Link* throughout the year. Watch us as we grow in God's beautiful garden!



## BACKPACK BUDDIES SPONSORS NEEDED

Join Circle M in supporting our Backpack Buddies program at Benvenue Elementary, providing a backpack filled with meals and snacks for 27 children who are at risk for hunger. Volunteers are needed on a once-per-month rotation to fill and deliver bags to the school each week. Sponsors are also needed to pledge \$25 per month from September through May to purchase food, or you may give a lump sum of \$225 for the year. All contributions are appreciated. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, you may contact Elizabeth.



## FALL BOOK STUDY

The next small group adult study will discuss Rachel Held Evan's book *Searching for Sunday*. An evening group will meet on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. beginning September 22, and a morning group will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays beginning September 23. Books are \$10 each and are available in the church office soon. Please call the office to sign up and indicate your preference.



## SUNDAY NIGHT SUPPERS

Volunteers are needed to provide Sunday Night suppers for our youth, children and preschoolers. If your family, Sunday School class, missions circle or other group would like to help, please contact the church office for available dates and to receive more information.

