



The Link

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HAPPY NEW YEAR?

In the worshipping life of the church, the new year commences with Advent which this year begins on December 3. As these holy days approach, there will be many opportunities for worship, service, and fun. Please make note of the various ways you can make this season of giving thanks, preparing to celebrate the coming of Christ, and (yes!) the beginning of a new calendar year meaningful.

MAKE A FAMILY ADVENT WREATH

The Advent season is right around the corner and what better way to bring in this wonderful season than by making a family Advent wreath! We hope you will join us in Robbins Hall on Saturday, December 2, from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. and create a family Advent wreath that will surely become a favorite holiday tradition for years to come. The church will provide the kits for the faux greenery wreaths along with special adornments (pinecones, ribbons, berries) and a devotion guide. Please feel free to bring any other personal items you wish to add to your wreath along with a holiday dessert to share! The cost for the kit is \$15 per family. There is an option to create a fresh greenery wreath for a slightly higher cost. Please call the church office to reserve your kit by November 19 or for more details.

HELP WITH CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR LOCAL FAMILIES

As the Advent season approaches, we are all mindful of the abundant blessings many of us enjoy as well as the tremendous needs faced by many in our community. There are several ways you can help to provide a brighter Christmas for children in our area. We will collect new, unwrapped toys for the Toy Store sponsored by Peacemakers in South Rocky Mount. Toys for infants through teens, sports equipment, electronics, and other gifts children would enjoy are appreciated. Please leave your unwrapped donations in the bins located outside the church office and in Sugg Foyer by November 30. You may also make a monetary contribution which will assist families through the New Destiny Ministries Christmas Party. Donations should be marked "Christmas Families" and can be made through the church office no later than December 8.

LAKESIDE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Join friends in a new ministry that knits, crochets or sews shawls, scarves, hats, baby blankets, lap robes, or baby hats to give to folks who are going through a tough time or who have a new little one to celebrate. The only requirement is that you knit and pray for whomever will receive the item you are creating. When a need arises, your gift will be delivered along with a note explaining it. Contact the church office or Carol B. Taylor, coordinator, at: carolreal@aol.com or 704-877-1100.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Rocky Mount Rehabilitation Center, 160 Winstead Avenue (04)

Dozia Collins, Room 213

Kitty Askins Hospice Center, 107 Hanley Park Court, Goldsboro, NC 27534

Dorcas Cooper, Room 367

At Home:

Ed Astin, 121 Candlewood Road (04)

Robert Blanton (Margaret Harper's grandson), 301 Lauren Glen Road, Charlotte, NC 28226

Janice Taylor Bobbitt (Chuck Taylor's sister) 4204 Whitehurst Drive, Wilmington, NC 28409

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

Natalie Stewart Cortez, 6410 Lakewood Boulevard., Dallas, TX 75214

Anne Crane, 1501 Corner Rock Drive, Rolesville, NC 27571

Sue Daughety, 133-D Mobile Drive, Atlantic Beach, NC 28512

Gary Ferguson (friend of Amy Shortt), 115 College Ave., Danville, VA

Alice Jernigan (friend of Joanna McDevitt), 2920 Old Mill Road (03)

Fred Hodges, 3216 Woodlawn Road (04)

Erin McAuliffe, 191 Wilsor Oaks Drive, Littleton, NC 27850

Harlon Mosley, 421 Charlotte Avenue (04)

Louise Ramsey, 104 Merrifield Court (04)

Cody Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

Michael Riley (Brenda Culpepper's son)

Aleine Wright (Jim Wright's mother), 1513 Jeremy Lane (03)

Our Members-at-Home

Nancy Henry, The Fountains at the Albemarle, 200 Trade St., Tarboro, NC 27886

Sherry Johnson, c/o Brighton Gardens, 3101 Duraleigh Rd, Rm 165, Raleigh, NC 27612

Audrey Scarboro, 724 York Street (03)

We offer our sympathy to Liz Broomell and her family in the death of her nephew, Jimmy Turek, of Perry, Ohio, on November 14.

Dear Lakeside Friends,

Thank you for your prayers, your phone calls, flowers and cards. You mean a lot to me and this church has meant a lot to me for many years.

Continue to pray for all of us who are having health problems. We know your prayers work. God is listening to each of you.

Thank you, Jean St. Clair

Thank you and blessings for everything you all do for United Community Ministries . . . the annual family portraits, the painting (!), and hosting our Cup of Warmth. You give us hope to continue to serve.

Cynthia Kornegay, Executive Director

LAKESIDE LADIES BOOK CLUB

Our book club will meet on Tuesday, December 5, at 7:00 p.m. with Debra Kincheloe as host (3704 Hawthorne Road) and Kathy Manning as co-host. Mary McAdams will lead our discussion of *The Chilbury Ladies' Choir* by Jennifer Ryan.

YOUTH NEWS

On Sunday, November 26, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Robbins Hall and the Education Building will be alive with sights and sounds of the holiday season as about 100 youth from our community gather for our 4th Annual Jingle Mingle community youth party. We'll enjoy a Mexican feast, games, crafts, a mission project, and a time of devotion with our friends from six other area churches. Plan to arrive a few minutes early to help greet our guests.

The ski trip to Winterplace, WV, is January 26-28, and a \$40 per person deposit is due to the church office no later than this Sunday, November 19. Details about cost and times have been sent by email. Friends are welcome, but I need their deposits by the deadline to hold a spot. Adults are needed to drive and chaperone for this trip. We will have a regular schedule of choir, dinner, and SNL on Sunday. I look forward to seeing you in the morning and evening. Elizabeth

MUSIC NOTES

The Advent season is very near, and we look forward as we prepare the way for Christ's coming through scripture and song.

Important dates and reminders are listed below. Please mark them in your calendar and plan to be in attendance for all Wednesday/Tuesday evening rehearsals prior to these special services. (Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, Lakeside Ringers and Chancel Choir will rehearse on Tuesday, November 21.)

December 3: Hanging of the Greens Service - Children's Choir and Chancel Choir
 December 10: Camille Saint-Saëns' *Christmas Oratorio* - a harpist, strings from the NC Symphony, and soloists from the ECU voice faculty will join the Chancel Choir. Rehearsal begins at 9:00 a.m.

December 17: Lakeside Ringers lead in morning worship - Rehearsal in the sanctuary at 9:15 a.m. Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols (6:00 p.m.): ALL CHOIRS PARTICIPATE. Rehearsal times: Children's Choir - 4:00 p.m.; Lakeside Ringer - 4:30 p.m.; Chancel Choir - Music Suite - 5:00 p.m.

December 24: Chancel Choir will sing for morning worship.

Amy

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2017 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$646,064

| | Week | YTD |
|----------------------|----------|-----------|
| Anticipated Giving | \$12,190 | \$560,740 |
| Receipts November 12 | \$11,922 | \$481,016 |
| Variance | -\$268 | -\$79,724 |

SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Grady Davis and Chick Conley
 Ushers - Group II, Ray Weathers, Captain
 Crucifer - Jacob Watkins; Acolyte - Ramsey Ward
 Nursery - Gwen Davis; Extended Session - Nancy Berry
 Audio Booth Volunteer - Barry Goldstein

LAKESIDE AT WORSHIP

November 19, 2017 ❖ *The Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost*

Scripture Lessons: Psalm 121; Matthew 25:14-30

Sermon: "Can We Trust God?"

Adult Choir Anthems:

"I Will Lift Mine Eyes to the Hills" - Childs

"Lift Your Voice in Praise and Thanksgiving" - Handel/arr. Holmes

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Jody Wright

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Linda Davis

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LAKESIDE CALENDAR

Thursday, November 16

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Robbins Hall

Sunday, November 19

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

12:00 p.m. Annual Church Conference

12:15 p.m. Diaconate, Conference Room

5:00 p.m. Preschool Games and Activities

5:00 p.m. Youth and Children's Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite

5:45 p.m. Supper for Preschool, Children, and Youth

6:15 p.m. Preschool Storytime, Children's Missions Activities, SNL for Youth

7:00 p.m. Preschoolers Dismiss

7:15 p.m. Children and Youth Dismiss

7:15 p.m. Youth Committee, Conference Room

Monday, November 20

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Lecture Room

Tuesday, November 21

6:30 p.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday and Friday, November 23 and 24

Church Office Closed, Thanksgiving Holiday

**ANNUAL CHURCH CONFERENCE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, FOLLOWING WORSHIP**

On Sunday, November 19, following worship, we will hold our annual conference to vote on the Nominating Committee Report and the 2018 Ministry Plan, both of which were mailed with *The Link* and are available in the office and online. We will also vote to elect or not elect the slate of our Deacon nominees for a three-year term beginning January 2018. Give prayerful consideration to this important choice for our congregational leadership. Absentee ballots may be submitted no later than noon on Sunday, November 19. Our Deacon nominees are:

Lesley Browder (member for 19 years) is married to David Browder. She has served on the Youth Committee, Deacon Nominating Committee, and has been an avid supporter of Lakeside Preschool, enrolling all of her five children. She has not served previously as a Deacon. Lesley is an Emergency physician/MD, Director and active team member at Boice-Willis Immediate Care.

John Derbyshire (member for 29 years) is married to Sharon N. Derbyshire. He has one daughter and Sharon has three children. They share five grandchildren. He has served as a Deacon several times and on numerous committees including the Pastor Search Committee. He is a teacher in the Discussion Sunday School class and a Driver for the heARTworks bus. He is a retired physician.

Jo Ann Lamm (member for 7 years) is married to Barry Goldstein and has two adult stepchildren and two grandchildren. She is a member of the Discussion Sunday School Class and has served on the Board of Finance, the Education Committee, and the Neighborhood Committee. She has served with Lakeside Involved and Meals on Wheels. In 2015, she was the Coordinator for our Pictorial Directory. Jo Ann has not served previously as a Deacon. She previously worked as the State of NC Child Welfare Director and Deputy Director for the NC Division of Social Services. Currently she does private social work consulting in other states.

Robert Sykes (member for 25 years) is married to Janet Sykes and they have two children. He has previously served as a Deacon, on the Board of Finance, and the Personnel and Children's Committees. He taught middle and high school Sunday School for nine years and served on an Associate Minister Search Committee. Robert is the President and Sales Representative for Capital Outdoor Advertising.

Sheila Whitley (member for 15 years) is a Charter Member of Lakeside. She and her late husband Dudley were the first couple married after Lakeside was formed. She has served as a Deacon and on the Bereavement and Library Committees. She accompanied our youth group on trips to New York and Boston. She is a member of the Discussion Sunday School Class in which she has taught on occasion. Prior to returning to Lakeside, she was active at First United Methodist Church and Littleton United Methodist Church. Sheila has two adult children, three grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter. She is a retired Registered Nurse.

