



The Link

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ADVENT AT LAKESIDE

Completely Forever: Changed by the Coming of Christ
December 4 * The Second Sunday of Advent
The Mystery of Redeeming Love
11:00 a.m.

Part I of Handel's *Messiah*

Presented by the Lakeside Chancel Choir
Guest soloists from East Carolina University
String Quartet from the North Carolina Symphony

This presentation is offered to the glory of God and in memory of Jerry Jolley, Music Minister at Lakeside from 1989-2010. We are also grateful for the generous contribution of the Virginia Lancaster Robertson Fund which makes possible performances of Handel's beloved oratorio, *Messiah*. Please invite family, friends, and neighbors to join us for this special occasion.



2017 GIVING PLAN CARDS

On November 20, our congregation unanimously voted to approve the 2017 Ministry plan which will fund all of our activities and outreach in the coming year. With that vote came a commitment to financially support our ministry. Last week Stancil Barnes, Chair of the Diaconate, wrote a very clear letter about the responsibility we share to fund our ministry. Included with that letter was a Giving Plan Card which simply lets us know what you intend to give in the coming year. It helps our staff in planning which programs and activities we can afford and which ones may have to be curtailed. Please return your card as soon as possible and let us know how you will support our ministry in the coming year.

It is also essential that each of us do our part in funding this year's ministry. The year is not complete and we have not yet given all of the funds needed to pay for what we have already done. Stewardship is an offering to God, an act of gratitude, and a clear statement that we believe in the calling God has given to us as the people known as Lakeside. We cannot be tentative or stingy in our giving. We must be bold and generous. After all, that is how God has always been with us.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Bryant Aldridge Rehab Hospital, 2400 Medpark Drive (04)

Marion Weathers

Nash General Hospital, 2460 Curtis Ellis Drive (04)

Cindy Davis, Room 361

Brookridge Retirement Community, 1199 Hayes Forest Drive Winston-Salem,

NC 27106, John Cappiello, Room 652, Denise Cappiello, Room 534

Rocky Mount Rehabilitation Center, 160 Winstead Avenue (04)

Dozia Collins, Room 213

Mary Frances Taylor (Chuck Taylor's Mother), Room 107

At Home:

Ernest Bridgers, 4758 Gardenia Circle (04)

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

Janet Corbett, 3645 Elwell Ferry Rd, Kelly, NC 28448

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

Jim Dickens, 3909 Hawthorne Road (04)

Charles Godwin, Jr., 123 Fort Sumter Drive, Greenville, NC 27858

Brenda & John Hartness, 1130 N. Jamestown Rd.. #206, Decatur, GA 30033

Anne Morgan (Jane Snow's sister), 13 Valley Forge Place, Atlanta GA 30318

Harlon Mosley, 421 Charlotte Avenue (04)

Pat and Jack Newton, 111 Cole Drive, Hampstead NC 28443

Regina Peters (Karla Willcox's cousin), PO Box 92, Bolingbroke, Ga 31004

JoAnne Scalf, 200 Timberlane Road (04)

June Shearin, 110 Newby Court (04)

Jean Smith, 23 Weatherstone Drive (04)

Jean St. Clair 729 Drexel Road (03)

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

Scotty Winstead (Stancil Barnes' cousin)

Our Members-at-Home

Marie Price, 3786 Loblolly Drive (04)

Ann Morton (Nancy Berry's mother), Autumn Care, Nashville, NC 27856

Alease Mustian, Brookdale Rocky Mount #301, 650 Goldrock Road (04)

We offer our sympathy to George and Linda Millar and their family in the death of his nephew, Scott Parker, on November 25.

To our Lakeside Friends,

Lakeside Baptist Church has been our rock for the past 10 years, beginning in 2006 when you welcomed us as newcomers to the congregation. Lakeside Baptist will always hold an important place in our life's timeline as we remember the years we shared together. During those years there was joy and some tragedy and, like a loving friend, you were there with us through it all. But this is not just a note of farewell. If you would be so kind, there is one more life-event the Hendersons would love to share with you. Our 50th wedding anniversary will be celebrated on December 17, and our daughter Carrie and some local friends have prepared a small celebration reception in Robbins Hall beginning at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, December 17. We sent email invitations to as many email addresses as we could muster, but knew we wanted others to come. So if you did not get an email, this is your invitation to join us between 2-4 p.m. on Saturday, December 17. Dress is casual. Please no gifts. Your presence is our joy.

Laura and Jim Henderson

YOUTH NEWS

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the Hanging of the Greens service beautiful and to all those who participated in the Jingle Mingle gathering on Sunday night. It was a full, fun day to be together. Let me know as soon as possible if you plan to attend the Moravian Love Feast this-coming Sunday. Please make every effort to be here on December 11 to share the joy of the season as we go caroling to our members at home. All youth are invited to my home on January 1 at 5:00 p.m. to celebrate the new year with our annual Goofy Gift Exchange and dinner. I will send more details soon. I look forward to seeing you for Sunday School and Worship on Sunday.
Elizabeth

MORAVIAN LOVE FEAST

Join us on Sunday, December 4, for the Moravian Love Feast on the campus of Wake Forest University, a grand tradition of carols, candlelighting, and sharing Moravian buns and coffee. We will meet at the church at 1:30 p.m. (Plan to eat lunch before we leave). We will visit Old Salem, eat dinner, and attend the 8:00 p.m. Love Feast. Please call the church office or visit the website to sign up.

YOUTH GIFT WRAPPING FUND RAISER

Lakeside's youth will wrap gifts on Saturday, December 10, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Lecture Room. Donations will support the youth trip fund.

CHRISTMAS FAMILIES

As the Advent season approaches, we are all mindful of the enormous blessings many of us enjoy as well as the tremendous needs faced by many in our community. There are two 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 donations in the bins located outside the church office and in Sugg Foyer by December 1. 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 9.

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2016 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$651,111

	Week	YTD
Anticipated Giving	\$12,521	\$601,026
Receipts November 27	\$15,054	\$489,387
Variance	+\$2,533	-\$111,639

Are your offerings current for the year?

If not, please make your contributions as soon as possible.

Each of us must do our part to support our ministry.

SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Sheila Martin and Rebecca Watkins

Ushers - Group III, Bill Hoyle, Captain

Crucifer - Andersen Cobb; Acolyte - Dalton Jordan

Nursery - Leslie Paszek; Extended Session - Greyson Tillman

Audio Booth Volunteer - Ricky Cobb

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LAKESIDE CALENDAR

Thursday, December 1

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Robbins Hall

Sunday, December 4

9:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

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, Part I of Handel's *Messiah*

1:30 p.m. Departure for Moravian Love Feast at Wake Forest University

Monday, December 5

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Robbins Hall

Wednesday, December 7

6:30 p.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 8

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Robbins Hall

Saturday, December 10

10:00 a.m. Youth Gift-Wrapping Fund Raiser, Lecture Room

CAROLING TO OUR MEMBERS AT HOME

Make plans to join us on Sunday evening, December 11, as we take the music of the season to some of our members who are no longer able to worship with us on a regular basis. We will meet in Sugg Foyer at 5:00 p.m., divide into caroling groups and share Christmas carols throughout the city.

Afterward, we will meet back in Robbins Hall for a light supper of soup and sandwiches, and good fellowship. This evening is one of the most fun and meaningful of the season as we remind our friends how much they mean to us.

SENIOR ADULT NEWS

Please join us for a "Colonial Christmas" in Downtown Enfield, NC on Saturday, December 3. There will be crafts, handmade pottery, jewelry, and much more. Six local homes will be on tour. (Tickets are \$20.00 each.) Please call the church office at 446-0126 to sign up.

LAKESIDE LADIES' BOOK CLUB

Our book selection for December is *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman. We will meet on Tuesday, December 6, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Terry Martin, 300 Wildwood Avenue. Deborah Wright will lead our discussion. We would love to have you join us for an evening of fellowship and engaging conversation. If you would like to read ahead, our selection for January will be *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonson. Mary McAdams will lead our discussion.

A heARTw♥rks CHRISTMAS ADVENTURE

The children who are participating in our heARTw♥rks tutoring and enrichment after-school program are heading to the DPAC! On Saturday, December 3, we will travel to Durham for the musical performance of *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. If you would like to sponsor a child for this trip, a \$40 donation will provide a ticket to the performance.

LAKESIDE HISTORY AND CHOIR CDs AVAILABLE

Copies of *Window on the World: A Life of Lakeside Baptist Church* by Daphne O'Brien, are available for \$30.00 per copy. We also have copies of Circle 10's popular new cookbook, *Another Taste of Lakeside*, at \$20.00 per copy. The adult choir CDs, *Part I of Handel's Messiah* and *Lakeside Favorites*, a collection of favorite anthems are also available at the following prices: 1 @ \$10.00, 3 @ \$25.00, 5 @ \$40.00. If you would like to purchase any of these items for gifts or your personal enjoyment, please contact the church office.

