



# The Link

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## ARE WE SAFE AT CHURCH?

The shooting at a Baptist Church in Texas last Sunday is the latest horrific attack on humanity in a long string of hateful acts of violence. It is beyond our understanding that anyone could plan and carry out such an attack on fellow humans. We grieve for all who were killed or injured, for their families and friends, for the entire Sutherland Springs community, and for the human race in general.

Beyond the pain being experienced in Texas, churches all over the country are wondering if the same tragedy could happen in their facilities. We know from experience that churches are not exempt from violence.

We continue to treat such possibilities with great seriousness. Over the past ten years we have developed a security policy and plan. Panic buttons are located in every building and the audio operator has one at the audio booth. After Sunday School each week, the other buildings are locked and secured. Our ushers keep an eye on entrances and are prepared to get immediate help if any threat seems imminent.

We have a good relationship with our police department and Chief Moore has assured us that officers already patrol our campus regularly but will increase visibility in light of what happened earlier this week. In addition, our Deacons and Security Committee will review our preparedness and make any changes that are needed.

Being human makes us vulnerable and it is in our vulnerability that we grow compassion for one another. Hopefully our empathy will lend support to anyone who is suffering now and our resolve to make this sacred place a sanctuary for all people will encourage others to join us in this goal. The truth remains that, in general, church is one of the safest places to be in the world. Jody Wright

## CONGREGATIONAL FORUM

Our Congregational Forum will be held this Sunday evening, November 12, at 5:00 p.m. in the Lecture Room of the Education Building. You will have the opportunity to ask questions about the Proposed 2018 Ministry Plan, the Nominating Committee Report, and the Deacon Nominees. We will vote on these reports at our annual conference following worship on November 19.

## THANKS FOR BEING INVOLVED!

At least 90 people were busy on Saturday morning as we became involved in the life of our community by making comforting gifts, landscaping, painting, sharing soup and cookies, singing, repairing walkways, and doing others things to share God's love with our friends. Many thanks to Dorrie Wright for coordinating the day and for our cooks, project leaders, and all of the helpers and contributors who made Lakeside Involved a gift for us and our neighbors.

## OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

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

**Sue Daughety, Room 476**

**UNC- Chapel Hill Hospital, 101 Manning Dr., Chapel Hill, NC 27514**

**Fred Hodges, (Susan and Tillman Bailey's brother-in-law)**

**Vidant Medical Center, 2100 Stantonsburg Road, Greenville, NC 27835**

**Douglas Edwards, Doug Edwards' father**

**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**

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

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

**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**

**John and Denise Capiello, Brookridge Retirement Community, 1199 Hayes Forest Dr., Winston-Salem, NC 27106, Room 718 (John) and Room 534 (Denise)**

**Marie Price, 3786 Loblolly Drive (04)**

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

**Mary Frances Taylor, Room 209, Rocky Mount, Rehab, 160 Winstead Ave. (04)**

We offer our sympathy to Stencil and Barbara Barnes in the death of his sister, Jane Barnes Poston, on November 5 in Wilson.

## 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.

## CYN KORNEGAY TO SPEAK TO THE DISCUSSION CLASS

Cyn Kornegay, Executive Director of United Community Ministries, will talk about the ministry of our local shelters with the Discussion Class this Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. in the Lecture Room. Everyone is invited to attend.

## YOUTH NEWS

Jingle Mingle, our annual community youth Advent party, will be held on November 26 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. This year, Lakeside is hosting! We will welcome about 100 youth from 7 area churches for a Mexican feast, games, mission projects, and lots of fun and laughter. Plan to arrive a few minutes early to help welcome our friends. A few adults are needed to help in the kitchen and supervise games. Let me know as soon as possible if you plan to attend.

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 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. Meanwhile, 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

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children in Kindergarten-Grade 5 are invited to participate in Children's Church with Leslie Paszek on Sunday. They will leave worship during the second hymn and may be picked up in the Youth Building.

## MUSIC NOTES

Our children's Choir shared their gift of music with our church and community this weekend. As part of Lakeside Involved, they wrote individual prayers and sang for the residents at Brekenridge and Autumn Care. Thank you, Sue Cataline for your creative prayer cards! On All Saints Sunday, the children shared comfort and joy with our congregation. Great job, boys and girls! Your music means a lot!

Attendance in rehearsals has been great! Keep it up as we continue to prepare for weekly worship and Advent. Amy

## HELP WITH CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR LOCAL FAMILIES

Would you like to assist local families with help for Christmas 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'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2017 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$646,064

	Week	YTD
Anticipated Giving	\$12,190	\$548,550
Receipts November 5	\$19,014	\$469,094
Variance	+\$6,824	-\$79,456

## SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Rebecca Watkins and Jerry Carter

Ushers - Group II, Ray Weathers, Captain

Crucifer - Michael Waters; Acolyte - Edward Evans

Nursery - Pat Astin; Extended Session - Janet and Robert Sykes

Audio Booth Volunteer - John Farmer

### LAKESIDE AT WORSHIP

November 12, 2017 ♦The Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost

Scripture Lessons: Matthew 5:8; I John 4:7-13

Sermon: "Do You See What I See?"

Adult Choir Anthem: "Holy Lord" - Harlan

Solo by Chase Joyner: "Angels Among Us" - Hobbs and Goodman

### LAKESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

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## LAKESIDE CALENDAR

### Thursday, November 9

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Robbins Hall

### Sunday, November 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. Congregational Forum, Lecture Room, Education Building

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

### Monday, November 13

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

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Lecture Room

7:00 p.m. WMU Group 10, Parlor

### Wednesday, November 15

6:30 p.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, November 16

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor