



The Link

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ADVENT AT LAKESIDE "PERFECT PEACE IN AN IMPERFECT WORLD"

The Third Sunday of Advent

December 15 - 11 o'clock a.m.

Part I of Handel's *Messiah*

Lakeside Chancel Choir, Guest Soloists, String Quartet

Service of Carols and Candlelighting

December 15 - 6 o'clock p.m.

Adult, Youth and Children's Choirs, Adult and Youth Handbell Choirs

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22 - 11 o'clock a.m.

Adult Choir and Handbell Choir

Christmas Caroling

December 22 - 5 o'clock p.m.

Taking the music of the season to our members at home followed by a time of food and fellowship in Kincheloe Hall.

Christmas Eve Communion

December 24 - 6 o'clock p.m.

Communion * Lakeside Soloists * Chris Ellis - Violin



LET US BE . . . COMMITTED

Thanks to everyone who has made a pledge to support our ministry in 2014. 106 pledges have been received for a total of \$373,131 or 58% of our 2014 Budget. If you have not returned your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible.

Please also remember your commitment to this year's ministry. Historically, 25% of our offerings are given in December. Although you could say that we have completed 95% of our ministry thus far, we have only received 80% of the funding for our ministry expenses. Be generous and sacrificial as you offer thanks for all God does for us.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Nash General Hospital, 2460 Curtis Ellis Drive (04)

Jerry Jolley, Room 362

Autumn Care of Nash, 1210 Eastern Avenue, Nashville, NC 27856

Dennis Raper (Jackie Raper's brother-in-law)

Sue Toney (Jerry Jolley's mother), Room 605-A

At Home:

Ed Astin, 121 Candlewood Road (04)

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

Hank Dunham, 1109 Meadow Drive, Townville, SC 29689

Brenda and John Hartness, 1041-I North Jamestown Road, Decatur, GA 30033

Georgia Morris, 1930 Northern Boulevard (04)

Steve Raper, 1421 Lafayette Avenue (03)

Drew Yanishak, 9022 Brigadier Road, Mechanicsville, VA 23116

Our Members-at-Home

Nora Boone, Universal Health Care, 1022 Eastern Avenue, Nashville, NC 27856

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

Ella Coats, 1600 Hammond Street (03)

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

Sue Toney, Autumn Care, 1210 Eastern Ave., Nashville, NC 27856, Room 605-A

Alease Whitford, 1600 Goldrock Road (04)

Many, many thanks for all of the love, care, and support offered to Ed and me throughout his illness and death. Our family greatly appreciated the hospitality of the visitation and the delicious meal on Friday evening.

With gratitude, Jayne Hamlet

Circle 10 rang the bell at Harris-Teeter for the Salvation Army on Thursday, December 5. I would like to thank the following people who helped to raise needed funds for the children and families needing help in Rocky Mount. Thank you to Chick and Don Conley, Connie Griffin, Vel Johnson, Nancy Parker, Ann Winstead, Barbara Valentine, Anne Chappell, Marion Weathers and Mary Wright Thompson who, along with myself, participated in ringing the bell.

Thank you, Denise Cappiello

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

We welcome Jeff Stephens into the fellowship of Lakeside Church by profession of faith and as a candidate for baptism. Jeff is already singing in our Chancel Choir. He lives at 1220 Beal Street (04); phone: 200-4492.

TOPNOTCHER NEWS

You are invited to our Annual Topnotcher Christmas Party following the Candlelight Service on Sunday, December 15, at the home of Berkley and Susan Skinner, 604 Chad Drive. Please call the church office to sign up and let us know if you need a ride.

HONOR CARDS FOR UNITED COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

Honor Cards which benefit the homeless, hungry and indigent through United Community Ministries are available in our church office. Painted by William Mangum, these beautiful cards are perfect for Christmas and any other occasion. The cards are \$5.00 each or 5 cards for \$20.

YOUTH NEWS

I look forward to seeing all of you here on Saturday for our gift wrapping fund raiser. We will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Lecture Room. Adults are also needed to help. Please let me know as soon as possible what hours you can work.

Youth who are not in choir and bells are needed to help with candlelighting for Sunday evening's service. Please meet in the Narthex at 5:30 p.m. to receive instructions.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for caroling to our Members-at-Home on December 22 at 5:00 p.m. It will be a fun time of singing and sharing Christmas cheer. A light supper will follow in Kincheloe Hall. I look forward to seeing you for Sunday School and worship on Sunday. Elizabeth

YOUTH GIFT WRAPPING FUND RAISER

Lakeside's youth will wrap gifts on Saturday, December 14, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Lecture Room. Donations will support the youth trip fund.

MUSIC NOTES

This Sunday will be a wonderful and busy day of making music. All choirs please note the following rehearsal times:

- 9:00 a.m. - Messiah soloists
- 9:30 a.m. - Chancel Choir
- 4:00 p.m. - Youth Bell Choir
- 4:30 p.m. - Lakeside Ringers
- 5:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir (rehearsal in music suite)
- 5:15 p.m. - Children's Choir (meet in children's choir room to be robed)
- 5:30 p.m. - Children's Choir Rehearsal

The Choir Christmas party will be hosted at the home of Rob and Terry Martin (300 Wildwood Avenue). A sign-up sheet is posted in the choir room.

The music for last Sunday's worship went very well. Lakeside Ringers, you were awesome! Chancel Choir: Wow! Youth Choir--great job! Thank you for all you do to make the music during Advent so special. Amy

SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

- Deacon Greeters - Jill Ward and Louis O'Neal - a.m. and p.m.
- Ushers - Group I, Bill Hoyle, Captain
- Crucifers - Cameron Graham - a.m.; Jackson Browder - p.m.
- Acolytes - Anna Adkins- a.m.; Eli Bass - p.m.
- Torchbearer - Robbie Bass - p.m.
- Extended Session - Susan Skinner
- Audio Booth Volunteer - Ricky Cobb

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR 49 WEEKS

2013 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$633,379

	Week	YTD
Budget Goal	\$12,180	\$596,838
Receipts December 8	\$14,893	\$505,672
Amount remaining to meet the Annual Budget		\$127,707

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CHURCH STAFF

Jody Wright Senior Minister	Elizabeth Edwards Associate Minister	Amy Shortt Minister of Music
Linda Davis Administrative Assistant	Stephanie Bynum Secretarial Assistant	Susan Skinner Senior Adult Director
Napoleon Taylor Custodian	Mark Gansor Organist	Samantha Saiz Preschool Director

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CHURCH CALENDAR

Saturday, December 14

9:00 a.m. Youth Gift Wrapping, Lecture Room

Sunday, December 15

- 9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, Education Building Foyer
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 12:00 p.m. Diaconate, Conference Room
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 4:30 p.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 5:15 p.m. Children Meet in Choir Suite to Robe
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Meet in the Narthex
- 6:00 p.m. Service of Carols and Candlelighting
- 7:15 p.m. Choir Christmas Party, Rob and Terry Martin, 300 Wildwood Ave.
- 7:15 p.m. Topnotchers Christmas Party, 604 Chad Drive

Wednesday, December 18

- 6:30 p.m. Adult Handbell Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 19

- 12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor