



The Link

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

In this season, and throughout the year, we are mindful of what a blessing it is to be a part of the Lakeside Family. We thank you for every way you encourage us and make serving Lakeside Baptist Church such a joy. We wish for you all a joyous celebration of our Lord's birth and a very happy New Year!

*Jody Wright
Linda Davis
Susan Skinner*

*Elizabeth Edwards
Liz Broomell*

*Amy Shortt
Napoleon Taylor
Mark Pichowicz*



CHRISTMAS AT LAKESIDE

December 24 * Christmas Eve Worship: Completely Forever

6:00 p.m. Communion Service
Chris Ellis, violinist; Lakeside Soloists

December 25 * Christmas Day

11:00 a.m. Worship
(There will be no Sunday School on this day.)

January 1 * The Second Sunday of Christmas

11:00 a.m. Worship: The Celebration of Communion
(There will be no Sunday School on this day.)

*In order to allow our staff their Christmas holidays,
the church office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, December 26 and 27.
It will be open on Wednesday, December 28.*

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Nash General Hospital, 2460 Curtis Ellis Drive (04)

Bill Adcock (Winnie Raper's brother), Room 468

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

NC 27106, John Cappiello, Room 718, **Denise Cappiello**, Room 534

Rocky Mount Rehabilitation Center, 160 Winstead Avenue (04)

Dozia Collins, Room 213; **Mary Frances Taylor**, 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 Road, Kelly, NC 28448

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

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 St. Clair 729 Drexel Road (03)

Marion Weathers, 1421 Country Club Road (04)

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, Autumn Care, 1210 Eastern Ave., Nashville, NC 27856 Room 209

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

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2016 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$651,111

	Week	YTD
Anticipated Giving	\$12,521	\$638,590
Receipts December 18	\$35,509	\$600,346
Variance	+\$22,988	-\$38,244
Needed to meet 2016 Ministry Commitment:		\$50,765

Have you completed your giving for the year?

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

In order to be included in this year's giving,

all offerings must be received or postmarked by December 31.

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

YOUTH NEWS

I hope your families have enjoyed discussions around our Mid-Week Conversations this fall. Find some time over the Christmas break to talk about your favorite holiday traditions, including those you share with your Lakeside family. If your conversations have raised other questions you'd like to share, please send them to me to be included in future weeks.

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. The regular schedule of choirs, dinner and SNL will resume on January 8. All youth and parents are invited to the first installment of #RealTalk on January 15. More details to come. I look forward to seeing you for Christmas worship on Sunday. Elizabeth

MUSIC NOTES

To Chancel Choir, Lakeside Ringers, Youth and Children's Choir: I am so proud and grateful to you for your giving of yourselves and sharing with our church and community such beautiful music during this Advent season. Sunday's Candlelight service was a truly worshipful hour, testament to what can be accomplished through collaboration and commitment, and a musical memory we can all cherish. Thank you! Also, Chase Joyner, super job! I could not be more proud of you! Chancel Choir will sing on Sunday, December 25. Wednesday evening rehearsals resume January 4. Merry Christmas!! Amy

COLLEGE STUDENT LUNCHEON

All college students and college-age young adults are invited to join us for lunch on Sunday, January 1. We will meet in Lehman Courtyard following worship and go out to eat to celebrate the new year and enjoy catching up with old friends. Please call the church office or complete the Event Registration on the Welcome page of the website to sign up.

WINTER BIBLE STUDY

Our next adult study group will be a five-week Bible study of the book of Jonah. Participants can choose a Tuesday evening group that meets at 7:00 p.m. each week beginning January 24 or a Wednesday morning group that meets at 10:00 a.m. each week beginning January 25. The study guides cost \$7 each and will be available in the church office in early January. Please call the church office to sign up for a group.

CHRISTMAS EVE AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Carol Barker and Jennifer Cobb
Ushers - Group III, Bill Hoyle, Captain
Acolyte - Will Robillard; Crucifer - Carson Browder
Torchbearer - Reynolds Cobb

CHRISTMAS MORNING AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Carol Barker and Jennifer Cobb
Ushers - Group III, Bill Hoyle, Captain
Acolyte - Anna Adkins; Crucifer - Andersen Cobb
Torchbearer - Spencer Edwards
Audio Booth Volunteer - Ricky Cobb

NEW YEARS DAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Wayne Cotton and Dan Herring
Ushers - Group I, Grady Pittman, Captain
Acolyte - Bo Browder; Crucifer - Georgia Morris
Audio Booth Volunteer - Wayne Cotton

LAKESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

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CareNet Counseling East of Rocky Mount
355-2801 • toll free: 866-355-2801

CHURCH STAFF

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

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LAKESIDE CALENDAR

Thursday, December 22

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

Saturday, December 24

6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 25

There will be no Sunday School today.

11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, December 26

Office Closed for Christmas Holiday.

Tuesday, December 27

Office Closed for Christmas Holiday.

Wednesday, December 28

There will be no Lakeside Ringers or Chancel Choir Rehearsals.

Thursday, December 29

12:00 p.m. There will be no Meditation Group on this date.

Sunday, January 1, 2017

There will be no Sunday School today.

11:00 a.m. Worship and Communion

12:00 p.m. College Student Lunch, meet in the Lehman Courtyard

5:00 p.m. Youth Party, Edwards Home, Nashville

Due to the holiday schedule, there will be no mailing of The Link next week.