



The Link

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LENT AT LAKESIDE

LISTENING ALONGSIDE



ECHOING CHRIST

March 12, 2017 ✧ *The Second Sunday in Lent*

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 12:1-4a

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 4:23-25

Sermon: "Listen for the Cries"

Adult Choir Anthems

"Come to the Water" - Foley/arr. Hasseler

"Lord of the Small" - Forrest



THE JOY OF GIVING

We all know firsthand how good it feels to give something to someone else. In fact, for many of us, the delight of gift giving is not so much in the actual gift itself, but in the reaction of the person who receives it. Surprise over an unexpected present, excitement over a gift long desired, and the joy of experiencing someone's love through gift-giving are a few of the pleasures we derive from the act itself. Giving feels good.

Giving is also contagious. When we see others offering gifts for whatever reason, it awakens within us the desire to be a part of the kindness. We have seen that kind of delight in our congregation over these past two months. Many of you have begun the year with great generosity so that we are much further ahead of our giving than we were at this time last year. Not only does your thoughtfulness provide a good foundation for funding our ministries this year, it also inspires the rest of us to do the same. For example, through Missions Marketplace and last weekend's Casserole Sale, over \$5,000 was raised for missions! Wouldn't it be encouraging and even fun if we were able to give equal to our budget each month. And how much more festive December would be if we were not worrying about paying the bills! Generosity is contagious. May we all catch the "bug"!

THANK YOU TO THE LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

We are grateful to the Landscape Committee for their ongoing work in keeping our grounds beautiful. A small crew spent last Saturday morning pruning shrubs, pulling weeds, and spreading fresh pine straw. Many thanks for all of the hard work they do on our behalf. If you are interested in helping on this committee, contact Pam Evans.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS SUNDAY MORNING.

Move your clocks forward one hour on Saturday night.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

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 409

At Home:

Ernest Bridgers, 4758 Gardenia Circle (04)

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

Bobbie Collie, 100 Bristol Court (03)

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

John Covolo, 3637 Litchfield Drive (03)

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

Jim Dickens, 3909 Hawthorne Road (04)

John Farmer, 1448 Crabapple Lane (04)

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

Grace Monroe, 3752 Loblolly Drive (04)

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

Cody Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

June Shearin, 110 Newby Court (04)

Robert Sykes, 3012 Coleberry Trail (04)

Ellen Wallace, 3416 Brookview Road (04)

Jill Ward, 3833 Westmoreland Drive (04)

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

Jean Wright (Jody Wright's mother) P.O. Box 696, Chester, SC 29706

Our Members-at-Home

Grace Beasley (Edna Corn's mother), Brookdale, 650 Goldrock Rd (04)

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

As a family of faith, we offer our sympathy to JoAnne Scalf and her family in the death of her husband Don on March 7. Coach Scalf was a member of Lakeside for 54 years. A service celebrating his life will be held in our sanctuary on Saturday, March 11, at 11:00 a.m.

VOLLIS VISIONARIES

Marion Clark Weathers will host an Artist's Talk at 5:00 p.m. this Thursday, March 9, at the Arts Council of Wilson, 121 Nash Street SW. She will talk about the creative process involved in her paintings and photographer Ron Sowers will talk about his friendship with Vollis Simpson as a person and how he came to photograph him. An opening reception of the exhibit, "Vollis Visionaries: Art in Motion," will follow from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

UNITY AND DIVERSITY IN TROUBLED TIMES

The Rocky Mount Racial Justice Group will present a forum on Unity and Diversity on Thursday, March 23, from 6:00-8:00 p.m., in the auditorium of the Rocky Mount campus of Edgecombe Community College. Food will be available from 5:30-6:00 p.m.

YOUTH NEWS

So many people pulled together to make Saturday's Casserole Sale a huge success! Thanks to the dozens of cooks and bakers who gave us delicious dishes to sell and many more of you who shopped. Thanks to all those who volunteered on Friday and Saturday. Special thanks to Carol Barker for all of the time and effort she gave to chair the event. We will divide at least \$3,300 between the youth trip fund and the work of Eastern NC Poverty Network! Remember to continue with your daily Gratitude Guide for the Lenten season. I look forward to seeing you for Sunday School and worship and for a regular schedule of choirs, dinner, and SNL on Sunday. Elizabeth

SPRING BOOK STUDY

Alicia Britt Chole's book *40 Days of Decrease: A Different Kind of Hunger, A Different Kind of Fast*, will guide us through the season of Lent. Each day the study includes a brief reflection, a Scripture passage, and space for journaling. Participants are encouraged to read and work through the book during the Lenten season so that we can gather after Easter for three sessions to reflect on the process and the insights you've gained. The Tuesday night group will begin on April 25 at 7:00 p.m., and the Wednesday morning group will begin on April 26 at 10:00 a.m. Books are now available in the church office for \$9 each.

MUSIC NOTES

Please mark your calendar of these important dates:

The Children's Choir will sing in worship on March 26 and April 9.

The Lakeside Ringers will ring in worship on Maundy Thursday (April 13) and Easter Sunday (April 16). Amy

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

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

CONETOE BEEHIVE INITIATIVE

Beginning this week, teams are working to replace the beehives lost in last fall's flooding in Conetoe. If you would like to help out, you can join the work this Thursday and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the basement of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2017 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$646,064

	Week	YTD
Anticipated Giving	\$12,190	\$121,900
Receipts March 5	\$17,070	\$109,459
Variance	+\$4,880	-\$12,441

SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Chick Conley and Theo Pitt

Ushers - Group I, Bill Hoyle, Captain

Acolyte - Will Robillard; Crucifer - Carson Browder

Nursery - Trevor Lane; Extended Session - Janet Sykes

Audio Booth Volunteer - Barry Goldstein

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LAKESIDE CALENDAR

Thursday, March 9

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Robbins Hall

Sunday, March 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

12:15 p.m. Personnel Committee, Conference Room

5:00 p.m. Board of Finance, Conference Room

5:00 p.m. Preschool Storytime, Children's Missions Activities, Youth Choir

5:45 p.m. Dinner, Robbins Hall

6:15 p.m. Preschool Games and Activities, Children's Choir

6:30 p.m. SNL

Monday, March 13

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

10:30 a.m. WMU Group 9, Parlor

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

Wednesday, March 15

6:30 p.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 16

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Robbins Hall