



The Link

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THE GIFT OF A SABBATICAL

There are many benefits to being a part of the Lakeside family and especially of being on the Lakeside staff. Lakeside is a forward-thinking congregation that appreciates tradition and innovation. You recognize that worship is the most important thing we do as a family of faith and that ministry flows from our worship. You are involved, engaged, and supportive of all that we do as a congregation.

You are also supportive of our staff. One of the greatest gifts you offer to full-time clergy here is the opportunity to take a sabbatical every five years. You recognize that ministry is both a fulfilling and demanding occupation. Periodically it is beneficial to have some extended time away to refresh body, mind, and spirit. I am grateful for that opportunity.

Later this summer, our family will take advantage of your generosity. Deborah, Catherine, and I will leave on July 22 and head for Europe. Our first stop will be Košice, Slovakia where we will spend a little over two weeks with Robert and Lenka. We are so excited to see them and to visit their home and the Staroň family.

After a few days in Košice, the five of us will travel to the Grand Tatras to enjoy the beauty of Slovakia's mountain area. Early in August, we will visit Prague, Vienna, and Budapest before saying goodbye to Robert and Lenka and heading to England.

On August 11, I will begin a two week period of study at The Oxford University Theology Summer School which will be held at Christ Church College, the oldest college of Oxford University. I will have the privilege of taking four courses: "Christian Freedom through the Eyes of Milton," "Using the New Testament in Ethical Dilemmas Today," "Psalms: The Prayer Book of Israel," and "Schools of Virtue." While I am studying, Deborah and Catherine will travel in England and Scotland.

At the conclusion of my studies, we will return to London for a week of sightseeing while Catherine begins her work as the Resident Assistant for the Wake Forest University London study program for the fall semester. Deborah and I will return to Rocky Mount on September 2.

Before leaving, I will provide details regarding worship leadership and pastoral care responsibilities while I am away. Needless to say, I am grateful to our staff for the additional responsibilities they will assume while I am gone.

I thank you for the privilege of having time away to study and travel. It will be a very special time for our family and a welcome time for renewal.

Jody Wright

AMONG OUR MEMBERS

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

Nash General Hospital, 2460 Curtis Ellis Drive (04)

Bob Minor, Room 408

Old Vineyard, 3637 Old Vineyard Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27104

Chris Wiggs

Presbyterian Orthopaedic Hospital, 1901 Randolph Rd., Charlotte, NC 28207

Don Stallings

At Home:

Faye Conner, 104 Birdie Court (04)

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

Mary Ruth Coss (J.N. Willcox's sister), Hendersonville, NC

Hank Dunham, 1109 Meadow Drive, Townville, SC 29689

Harold Harper, 2410 Joelene Drive (03)

John Hartness, Jr. (Johnny), 1041-I North Jamestown Road, Decatur, GA 30033

Molly Pitt, 116 Candlewood Road (04)

Frank Pittman, 1561 Yorkshire Lane (03)

Sue Toney, Somerset Court, 918 Westwood Drive (03) (Jerry Jolley's mother)

Betty Watts, 616 Nichole Lane (03)

Jim Wiggs, 1411 Rock Creek Drive (04)

Drew Yanishak, 9022 Brigadier Road, Mechanicsville, VA 23116

Our Members-at-Home

Winnie Brown, 108 Bunn Drive (04)

Lambert Sutton, 3400 Hawthorne Road (04)

Ed Hamlet, Autumn Care, 1210 Eastern Ave., Nashville, NC 27856, Room 603

Nancy Henry, The Fountains at the Albemarle, 200 Trade St., Tarboro, NC 27886

Doug Daniel, 201 Dover Road (04)

Susi Goodman, 4009 Woodstock Road (03)

We offer our sympathy to Bobby and Jo Webb and their family in the death of his mother, Edna Webb Smith, on May 7.

TOPNOTCHERS NEWS

Please join us for our annual Spring Luncheon on Thursday, May 23, at noon in Kincheloe Hall. We will enjoy delicious dishes from some of Lakeside's best cooks. Feel free to invite a friend. Don't forget to call the church office or visit our web site to sign up because you will not want to miss out on all the fun and fellowship.

INDIAN COOKING SESSION OFFERED

Do you want to learn how to prepare a delicious healthy vegetarian Indian meal? Purvi Desai, a local physical therapist and Pilates instructor, will lead a "hands-on" cooking session on Tuesday, May 14, from 10-1 in the Lakeside kitchen. After we prepare the meal, we will enjoy our creation and then clean up together. Class size is limited to 8 people. Call the church office to sign up.

DISCUSSION CLASS GUEST SPEAKER

Kelly Lee will meet with the Discussion Class this Sunday, May 12, to talk about the Rocky Mount Fun Run which was just completed, the charities which participate in this event, and the North Carolina Community Foundation. Everyone is invited to attend.

YOUTH NEWS

Despite the dreary weather, Sunday's softball game was SO MUCH FUN! Thanks to all those who participated for your wonderful spirit. We may have started a new Lakeside tradition! Many thanks to James Biggs and Ricky Cobb for grilling for the cookout and to the members of the Social Committee for your hard work in organizing the meal. It was a fun day to be at Lakeside.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the car wash on May 18. Remember that the Graduate luncheon on May 19 is open to all youth and their families. Graduates and their immediate family members are invited as our guests. Others may sign up to join us for \$7 per person. I hope you will all come to celebrate this special time with our graduates. I look forward to seeing all of you for Sunday School and worship on Sunday. Elizabeth

GATEKEEPERS WORKCAMP

We are now registering volunteers for our 22nd year of Gatekeepers Workcamp which will take place July 7-12. Registration forms have been mailed to all youth and adults who have participated in recent years. If you did not receive a form but would like to work on a crew, please contact the church office. Youth and adult forms are due no later than June 3. If you are interested in helping serve lunches, deliver snacks, serve at the cookout or assist in some other way, please contact Elizabeth. A meeting for all adult volunteers will be held on Thursday, June 13, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Education Building.

GRADUATE INFORMATION NEEDED

If a family member graduated from college in December or will graduate from high school or college this spring, please contact the church office by May 14 so that we may recognize them in *The Link* and during our Graduate Recognition Service on May 19. We need full names, school, degree, and future plans.

YOUTH CAR WASH

The Lakeside youth will hold a car wash on Saturday, May 18, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The location will be announced. We will receive donations for our summer trip fund.

SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Louis O'Neal and Jerry Carter
 Ushers - Group II, Ray Weathers, Captain
 Crucifer - Spencer Bulluck; Acolyte - Reynolds Cobb
 Extended Session - Betty Ann and Scott Waters
 Nursery - Anna and Jerome Costa
 Audio Booth Volunteer - Jerry Hamrick

Worship at Lakeside

May 12, 2013

Pentecost Sunday

History Lesson: Acts 1:1-11

Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:44-53

Sermon: "Left Behind . . . for Good"

Chancel Choir Anthems:

"God of Grace and God of Glory" - Langston

"Thy Perfect Love" - Rutter

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CHURCH STAFF

Jody Wright
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Linda Davis
Administrative Assistant

Napoleon Taylor
Custodian

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister

Sandy Tharrington
Secretarial Assistant

Mark Gansor
Organist

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CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, May 12

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
 10:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, Education Building Foyer
 11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, May 13

10:30 a.m. WMU Group 6, Margaret Carpenter, 120 Plymouth Road
 11:15 a.m. WMU Group 9, Depart Church for Lunch at Something Different
 6:30 p.m. WMU Group 10, Salad Supper, Nancy Berry, 1412 Jeremy Lane

Tuesday, May 14

10:00 a.m. Indian Cooking Class, Kitchen
 11:30 a.m. WMU Group 2, Lunch, Location to be Announced

Wednesday, May 15

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, Sanctuary
 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR 18 WEEKS

2013 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$633,379

	Week	YTD
Budget Goal	\$12,180	\$219,247
Receipts May 5	\$12,186	\$179,847
Amount remaining to meet the Annual Budget		\$453,532