



TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

February 15, 2026
Eleven O'Clock A.M.

Although Lakeside Church is Baptist by tradition and heritage, in our worship and practice we seek to move beyond the label of a denomination to incorporate the richness of other Christian traditions. In our community service we support many ecumenical ministries that convey God's love and care beyond the lines of any denomination.

We receive members by affirmation of their faith or by transfer from other Christian churches. We honor the previous baptism of persons coming from other Christian denominations.

We welcome our guests and would like for you to know more about Lakeside Church and its ministry. We, the members of Lakeside, are persons on a journey of faith. Our church seeks to be a worshiping and serving community where the gospel of Jesus Christ is modeled and proclaimed.

If you are interested in knowing more about our church and its ministries, please fill out a guest card or speak to one of the ministers or members.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The worship of God begins with the music of the organ. Use this time for meditation and reflection and please refrain from conversation which would disturb others. Please turn off or silence all electronic devices. Following worship, share your friendship with those around you.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Mr. Ross

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Grammer

CHORAL INTROIT: From, "O Wondrous Type!"

WAREHAM

O wondrous type! O vision fair of glory that the Church may share, which Christ upon the mountain shows, where brighter than the sun he glows!

Latin, 15th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 66: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

ST. DENIO

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Sam Johnson

Leader: As God called to Moses from the mountain,

People: We are called to be God's people.

Leader: As Jesus called the disciples to climb with him to the peak of another mountain,

People: We are called to follow wherever he leads.

Leader: As the disciples stood in awe at the sound of God's voice,

People: We are called to worship in wonder and praise.

Deborah Sokolove

* GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

* INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Grammer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

** Please stand as you are able.*

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Dr. Edwards

Leader: Though we want to walk with Moses and see God's holy radiance,

People: We hide in the mist of our own desires, unable to perceive the presence of God's grace.

Leader: While we want a world of justice and peace,

People: We walk in clouds of selfishness, unable to share God's loving-kindness.

Leader: Though we want to follow Jesus up the mountain,

People: We cower in fear, unable to bear the light of God.

Leader: We enter God's presence,

**People: And we ask for forgiveness where we fall short, so that we might understand
who God is, who we are, and how we ought to live.**

Deborah Sokolove, adapt.

(Pause for silent confession.)

MEDITATION AND COMMITMENT

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

Exodus 24:12-18

Mr. Ross

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

CHORAL ADORATION: "If Ye Love Me"

Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another
Comforter, that he may abide with you forever; Even the spirit of Truth.

John 14:15-16

Gossett-Biggs Choral Scholars

GOSPEL LESSON:

Matthew 17:1-9

Mr. Mauk

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SUNG RESPONSE:

"Write These Words"

John S. Wilson

Write these words in our hearts, we beseech you, O God.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Dr. Edwards

* OFFERTORY HYMN 182:

"Transform Us"

PICARDY

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

Ms. Meadows

OFFERTORY

Mr. Ross

*Today we give thanks for the Topnotchers, our senior adult ministry, which brings senior adults together for
meals, outings, and other opportunities for fun and fellowship. A lantern is on the altar, symbolizing life and
wisdom.*

* DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

ANTHEM: "If Ye Love Me"

Philip Wilby

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another
Comforter, that he may abide with you forever; Even the spirit of Truth. And ye know him, for he
dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.

SERMON:

"Seeing God"

Dr. Grammer

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Dr. Grammer

We believe in the God of the covenant whose cloud of splendor and the fire of love revealed God's Son on the mountain heights. We long to transform our lives in his image, write his law of love on our hearts, and make us prophets of his glory, so that we may lead others into Christ's presence and light. Amen.

Vanderbilt Library, adapt.

CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 176: "Sing of God Made Manifest"

SALZBURG

(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

Dr. Grammer

* POSTLUDE

Mr. Ross

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Libby Grammer
Senior Minister

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister

James Mauk
Minister of Music

Lisa Meadows
Minister to Children

Zack Ross
Organist

Lauren Broomell
Acolyte

The Lakeside Chancel Choir

Lakeside Website: lakesidechurchrmt.org

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Today is the Last Sunday After Epiphany—known as Transfiguration Sunday. The Season of Epiphany calls attention to the words and deeds of Jesus' earthly ministry by which his divine sonship is made manifest. This last Sunday is the Transfiguration of the Lord, in which Christ's divine sonship is reaffirmed. The liturgical color for today is white, recalling Jesus' appearance in glorious splendor.

This Epiphany season, we journey with the prophets to shape how we understand and embrace God's light in this world. We will seek to find our place in God's plan to brighten this world, and we will encounter epiphanies about our life of faith as we journey together.

Restrooms, including a wheelchair-accessible family restroom, are located in the hallway behind the sanctuary. Please ask an usher if you need directions.

Childcare is available in the preschool building. If you have a young child who becomes restless during worship, you are welcome to utilize our **Kids' Corner** in the back of the sanctuary by the audio booth. **Children's worship bags** are available in the narthex and have a variety of items that will help to make worship more meaningful for our children. Please return them to the narthex following worship.

Bibles and several large print hymnals are available for your convenience and are located in the Prayer Room off the Narthex. Please ask an usher as you enter the sanctuary. **Wireless hearing aides** are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex. Please ask an usher to assist you with a set. You may return the hearing aid to the Prayer Room following worship.

We are grateful for our choral scholars, Jackson Baldwin, Allison Benoit, Rebecca Blackwell, Esther Keller, and Jacob McCain, who enrich our music ministry in many ways. Choral Scholars and guest singers are supported by the **Gossett-Biggs Music Fund**. Anyone interested in supporting the fund is invited to designate a contribution.

Want to know more about Lakeside? Discover what else is going on through our website! Watch past worship services, read current news, register for events, discover who we are, and contribute to Lakeside. **Scan the QR Code with your smart phone:**



Lakeside Fellowship and Ministry

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

The Carrolton of Nash, 7369 Hunter Hill Road (04)

Pat Judge, Room 614

At Home

Janice Bobbitt (Chuck Taylor's sister), 4204 Whitehurst Dr, Wilmington 28409

Robyn Edwards Chapman (Jeannette Pittman's cousin)

Bob Davis (Dan Davis' brother), 427 McIver Street, Greenville, SC 29601

Michelle Costa Foster, 105 Gloucester Court (03)

Charlotte Gilliam, 3794 Loblolly Drive (04)

Ethel Hines, 125 Cobblestone Court (04)

Bill Jones (Dorrie Wright's brother)

C.B. Morris, 1930 Northern Boulevard (04)

Jeannette and Grady Pittman, 313 Englewood Drive (04)

Cornelia Singletary, 15 Weatherstone Drive (04)

Patricia Taylor (Napoleon Taylor's wife), 514 Hammond Street (04)

Our Members-at-Home

Jackie Allsbrook, 113 Old Colony Way (04)

Ann Bishop, 2600 Croasdaile Farm Parkway, Apt. S210, Durham, NC 27705

Sallie Ray Wilkerson, HeartFields at Cary, 1050 Crescent Green Dr., NC 27518

We extend our Christian sympathy to Lisa and Mallory Jones and their family in the death of their husband and father, David Jones, who died on February 8. Lisa and Mallory are both part of the staff at Lakeside Preschool.

We extend our Christian sympathy to Knox Barker in the death of his mother, Beth Barker, on February 8. Knox is the grandson of Andy and Carol Barker and has participated in youth activities at Lakeside.

We extend our Christian sympathy to Chuck and Carol Taylor and their family in the death of Chuck's brother-in-law, Richard Wrenn, on February 10.

Thank you for your prayers, cards, and food during my recent fall.

Linda Hoyle

NOTICE OF CALLED CHURCH CONFERENCE TODAY

There will be a called church conference today, immediately following worship, for the purpose of approving the Provisional Revised 2026 Ministry Plan. A copy of the revised plan has been inserted into this week's order of worship.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Our next small group Bible study will be guided by Will Willimon's new book *The Last Supper: Conversations That Led to the Cross*. This six-week discussion group will meet on Tuesdays by Zoom at 7:00 p.m. beginning February 17. There will not be an in-person option for this study. Participants may order their own book in print or digital format. Please contact Elizabeth or the church office to sign up.

ASH WEDNESDAY SUPPER AND SERVICE

Join us Wednesday, February 18, at 6:30 p.m., for our Ash Wednesday service as we begin the season of Lent together with the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion. We will gather before the service for a fellowship dinner at 5:30 p.m. in Robbins Hall. Sign up for dinner online or by calling the church office.

THIS WEEK AT LAKESIDE

Sunday, February 15

11:00 a.m. Worship, *Sanctuary*

12:00 p.m. Called Church Conference, *Sanctuary*

12:15 p.m. Topnotcher Valentine Luncheon, *Robbins Hall*

5:00 p.m. Preschool, Children, and Youth Activities, *Music & Youth Suites*

Tuesday, February 17

10:00 a.m. Coffeehouse Writers, *Parlor*

7:00 p.m. Lenten Bible Study, *via Zoom*

Wednesday, February 18: Ash Wednesday

5:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Supper, *Robbins Hall*

6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service, *Sanctuary*

Friday, February 19

5:30 p.m. Board of Finance, *Conference Room*

Sunday, February 22: 1st Sunday of Lent

9:45 a.m. Growing Together Groups, *Education Building*

10:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*

11:00 a.m. Worship, *Sanctuary*

12:15 p.m. Diaconate, *Conference Room*

5:00 p.m. Preschool, Children, and Youth Activities, *Music & Youth Suites*



STAFF ANNIVERSARY

Today we celebrate 24 years of steadfast, thoughtful, and creative ministry with the Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Edwards! Elizabeth's work in providing educational opportunities for our youth and adults, her oversight of missions projects and leadership in worship, and her work in so many ways that go unseen, is so appreciated by our staff and congregation. We hope you'll say a word of thanks to Elizabeth this week!

THE WEEKLY LINK GOES ALL-VIRTUAL

In order to save money in our annual ministry plan and be better stewards of the gifts you so generously provide to Lakeside each year, our staff and Administrative Council have approved a change to our publication of *The Link*.

Moving forward, our weekly *Link* publication will be transitioning to an email-only format. **If you do not receive *The Link* via email right now and you have access to email, we need your most up-to-date email address** so we can make sure you receive the weekly *Link* in your email inbox. We need these updated email addresses by the end of February. Please email or call the church office with your information.

These changes will go into effect on March 1, 2026, so be sure to update us with your information before that date!