

PALM SUNDAY
March 24, 2024
Eleven O'Clock A.M.

We welcome our guests and would like for you to know more about Lakeside Church and its ministry. We 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.

Our church is Baptist by tradition and heritage, but 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 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 to Lakeside from other Christian denominations. 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 PRAISE

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Where God Is"

UBI CARITAS, arr. by Richard A. Williamson

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CHORAL INTROIT: "Hosanna to the Son of David"

PLAINSONG

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is He, He that comes in the name of the Lord. O King of Israel, Hosanna in excelsis.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 192:

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

ST. THEODULPH

(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

* CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 118 Carol Lucas

Deacon: Hosanna to the son of David, the King of Israel.

People: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

Deacon: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

People: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

Deacon: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

People: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 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.

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

ADORATION: "Hosanna"

Carol McClure

Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna! Children & Chancel Choirs

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE LITANY OF CONFESSION

Minister: Side by side, face to face we sit—the silence, like a stone wall, separating us.

People: It is not enough to sit in proximity if we have no trust and do not welcome one another.

Minister: Give us hearts of flesh to grieve our hostilities and voices of tenderness to speak peace;

People: Then grant us conversation and laughter, and gentle hands to work for healing

and forgiveness.

Minister: Even if we do not see eye to eye clearly, dare us to open up our hearts and minds to be hospitable;

People: Give us courage to be vulnerable, to dare to sit soul to soul with hope and in joy.

Kate Compston, adapted

A time of silence for personal confession.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Philippians 2:1-11

Minister: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 191: "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty" CANONBURY

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: "Christ lag in Todesbanden"

Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau

Rev. Edwards

* THE DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

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

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

Passion Chorale, arr. Joel Raney

O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down, now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown: O sacred head, what glory, what bliss 'til now was thine; yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine. What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend, for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end? O make me thine for ever; and should I fainting be, Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.

Kristi Roller, cello

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 12:12-16

SERMON: "A Scandalous Welcome"

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God who calls us to a journey of faith, promising to travel with us through wilderness places and welcoming us as beloved children. We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God, who ate with outcasts, welcomed those who were rejected from other tables, and loved everyone he encountered without regard for status or station. We believe in the Holy Spirit who joins us together as companions, gives us strength as we travel through this day, courage as we sojourn toward tomorrow, and hope for all our days to come. We believe God's promises "that there is a better place, a Promised Land, and that there is no way to get from here to there without joining hands, traveling together."

Michael Walzer, Mishkan T'filah, adapted

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 197: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" ST. CHRISTOPHER (Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

- * THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
- * ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Prelude and Fugue in D minor (BWV 554)"

J.S. Bach

* Please stand as you are able.

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Elizabeth Edwards		James Mauk
Associate Minister		Minister of Music
Zackary Ross	The Lakeside Chancel Choir	Catherine Cobb
Organist		Acolyte

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The paraments on the altar and pulpit, along with the ministers' stoles, provide us with visual cues about the meaning of our faith. The color of the season is purple, used to indicate royalty and suffering alike, a reminder of Christ's kingship and the suffering he endured for us all. Throughout Lent we undertake a journey of self-discovery leading to repentance and renewal. The symbol is comprised of the two Greek letters, chi and rho, the first two letters in the Greek word Christos, meaning Christ. The Acolyte brings light to the altar as a reminder of Christ, the Light of life, and leads us out of the sanctuary as a reminder that we are to take this light to the world. In the same way, we begin and end our worship following the cross as a symbol of God's self-giving love for us all.

HOLY WEEK AT LAKESIDE

Today at Noon - Fellowship Luncheon - Robbins Hall followed by an Easter Egg Hunt

Tuesday, March 26 - Noon - Labyrinth Communion Service

Thursday, March 28 - 5:30 p.m. - Fellowship Supper - Robbins Hall 6:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Worship - Sanctuary

Friday, March 29 - Noon - Good Friday Prayer Service - Sanctuary

Sunday, March 31 - 11:00 a.m. - Celebration of Christ's Resurrection

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

Childcare is available in the Preschool Building. 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 LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AVAILABLE

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 AIDS

Wireless hearing aids 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.

CHORAL SCHOLARS

We are grateful for Jackson Baldwin, Sammie Kunz, and Meghan Neff, our Choral Scholars who enrich our music ministry in many ways. Choral Scholars and guest musicians are supported by the Gossett-Biggs Music Fund.

LAKESIDE FELLOWSHIP AND MINISTRY

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

At Home:

Bob Boseman (Carol Taylor's brother)

Chuck Daniel (Brenda and Dennis Culpepper's nephew)

Doug Edwards, 4699 Moreland Drive, Battleboro, NC 27809

Stan Ford, 1103 Belvins Trace Drive, Durham, NC 27703

Michele Costa Foster, 105 Gloucester Court (03)

Barry Goldstein, 7958 E. Highway 97, Elm City, NC 27822

Ethel Hines, 125 Cobblestone Court (04)

Bill Jones (Dorrie Wright's brother), 2957 Tillinghast Trl, Raleigh, NC 27613

Frank Maynard, Jr., 6148 Gate Post Road, Charlotte, NC 28211

David Morris, 1930 Northern Boulevard (04)

Cody Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

Dan Shingleton, 5325 Pridgen Road, Elm City, NC 27822

Rebecca Timar (Jean Tripp's sister)

Bill Watts, 616 Nichole Lane (03)

Sallie Ray Wilkerson, 221 Brightmore Drive, Cary, NC 27518

Our Members-at-Home

John Cappiello, Brookridge Retirement Community, 1199 Hayes Forest Dr., Winston-Salem, NC 27106, Room 534

J.N. Willcox, c/o The Landings of Lake Gaston, Room 111, 206 N. Mosby Avenue, Littleton, NC 27850

We rejoice with Catherine and Drew Lopiano in the birth of their son, Frank Hudson, on March 18. Deborah and Jody Wright are his proud grandparents.

Join us for a chance to Dine & Dialogue

Sunday, April 7 Following Worship Robbins Hall

One of the major strategies outlined in our Strategic Plan was to clarify Lakeside's unique identity and, as a part of that process, to evaluate our relationship to Baptist organizations. On Sunday, April 7, Baptist historian Dr. Lydia Hoyle will preach in morning worship. Following worship, we invite you to join us for lunch, where Dr. Hoyle will offer a presentation and question and answer session to help us begin discussion around these issues. We want the input of the entire church family.

We will order Subway boxes for lunch. The cost will be \$8 per person. Please sign up by April 4.

Register at the church office or www.lakesidechurchrmt.org



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TRAVELING TOGETHER: WELCOMING GOD & ONE ANOTHER LENT 2024

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

TUESDAY, MARCH 26 Labyrinth Prayer Service at 12:00 noon

MAUNDY THURSDAY, MARCH 28
Fellowship Supper at 5:30 p.m.
Please sign up by Monday, March 25.
Worship at 6:30 p.m. with the Lakeside
Chancel Choir presenting
a Lenten cantata, A Lamb Goes
Uncomplaining Forth

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29 Prayer Service at 12:00 noon

We also hope you will pray with and for our youth using the Lenten Prayer Guide that they have created. Copies of *Pray With Us* can be picked up at the close of worship today, found on the Youth Page of the website, or requested from the church office.

FLOWERING THE CROSS

For our celebration on Easter Sunday, March 31, there will be a Flowering Cross in Lehman Courtyard. We invite you to bring cut flowers, from your own yard if possible, and place them on the cross before worship begins as a witness to the new life offered to us through Christ's Resurrection.