



**FOURTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**
*June 21, 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.

GATHERING

ORGAN PRELUDE

Mr. Ross

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Edwards

CHORAL INTROIT: From "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

ASSAM

I have decided to follow Jesus – no turning back.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 86: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Ginger Maynard

Leader: Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth;

People: Give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

Leader: For great is your steadfast love toward me;
you have delivered my soul from the depths of despair.

**People: O God, evil people rise up against me;
enemies seek my life, and they take no thought of you.**

Leader: But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

People: Turn to me and be gracious to me; give me your strength.

Leader: Show me a sign of your favor,
so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame,

**People: Because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.
Praise be to you forever!**

Psalm 86:11-17

* 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. Edwards

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

Mr. Ross

Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. We too often read your commandments as restrictions on our freedom rather than loving guidance for our lives. We cherish power and success rather than the life of humility and sacrifice to which Jesus calls us. We look to you for grace, but we would rather not accept the inconvenience and effort that a life of discipleship demands. Give us courage, O God, for the times when your love takes us places we do not want to go and when it calls us to extend ourselves to meet the needs of others. Help us to live lives of obedience and faithfulness after the example of Christ who gave himself for the sake of the world that you love so much. Amen.
(Pause for silent confession.)

MEDITATION & PROCLAMATION

FIRST LESSON:

Joshua 2:1-24

Mr. Mauk

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

CHORAL ADORATION: From “There Is a Line of Women”

Charlene Nafziger

There is a line of women who took on pow’rful men, defying laws and scruples to let life live again; and though, despite their triumph, their stories stayed untold, God kept their number growing, creative, strong, and bold. So sing a song of Shiphrah with Puah close at hand: engaged to kill male children, they foiled the king’s command; and sing a song of Rahab who sheltered spies and lied; and sing a song of Esther preventing genocide.

John L. Bell

SECOND LESSON:

James 2:18-25

Dr. Edwards

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

SUNG RESPONSE:

(All are invited to join in singing.)

John S. Wilson

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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Dr. Edwards

* OFFERTORY HYMN 349:

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

GORDON

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

Mr. Schodt

ORGAN OFFERTORY

Mr. Ross

As they meet this week in Jacksonville, FL, we give thanks for our denominational partner, the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, through which we can share the love of Christ with the world in an abundance of ways. The logo for CBF Global is on the altar.

* 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!**

SOLO: “Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,” from *Gloria* (RV 589)

Antonio Vivaldi

*Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.*

Lord God, King of heaven,
God the Father almighty.

Allison Benoit, Gossett-Biggs Choral Scholar, soloist

6th century hymn

SERMON:

“Unexpected Faith: Rahab”

Dr. Edwards

(Please take a moment to view and reflect upon the artwork on the back of your order of worship.)

RESPONSE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Dr. Edwards

We believe that throughout history and at present, there have been and are many valiant women, generous, gifted, who have given of themselves for the benefit of many with little or no recompense. While we want women to be affirmed not simply in terms of what they can achieve but because of who they are, it is important to recall that women are also achievers, even in the ancient stories of our faith. So we find and praise women of valor, from the earliest points of human history to those sitting here among us, and we give God our Mother thanks for them all.

Miriam Therese, adapted

CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Dr. Edwards

* RECEPTIONAL HYMN 16: “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

NETTLETON

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

* BENEDICTION

Dr. Edwards

* SUNG RESPONSE

(All are invited to join in singing.)

LANCASHIRE

**From quiet meditation, and joyous hymns of praise,
we go to do God’s mission! Christ, lead us all our days!**

* ORGAN POSTLUDE

Mr. Ross

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and
in honor of Martha & Don Bulluck’s 75th wedding anniversary.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Libby Grammer
Senior Minister

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister

James Mauk
Minister of Music

Jason Schodt
Ministerial Intern

Zack Ross
Organist

Mary Douglas Robillard
Acolyte

The Lakeside Chancel Choir &
Gossett-Biggs Choral Scholars

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This is the season after Pentecost in the Christian year. Having celebrated the “birthday of the church” through the giving of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, we enter the Season after Pentecost for 24 weeks, to celebrate the existence of the church and recall her mission in the world. The liturgical color for the season is green, symbolic of the church’s growth and mission. The triangle and trefoil on the paraments are symbols of the Trinity, reminding us that God is revealed to us as Father, Son, and Spirit. In the center is the cross, the key symbol of the Christian faith, summarizing the life and ministry, death and resurrection, incarnation and coming in glory of Jesus the Christ.

Our First Summer Series is “Women of Valor.” In these four weeks, we will explore stories of brave women of the Hebrew Bible, our Old Testament, who served God, risked much, and showed that having the character of God is not limited by gender or status. Despite these ancient stories occurring in a male-dominated society, these women are hailed as heroes of the faith. So we name in Hebrew, “Eshet Chayil” – “Woman of Valor” – the women in our own lives to mirror these inspiring, strong women from our scriptures.

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.

Lakeside Fellowship and Ministry

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Duke Children's Hospital, 2301 Erwin Road, Durham, NC 27705

Leland Goslen (Linda & Cameron Graham's newborn great-nephew)

UNC Health Nash, 2460 Curtis Ellis Drive (04)

Lela Chesson

At Home:

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

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

Robyn Edwards Chapman (Jeannette Pittman's cousin), 1481 Richardson Road, Apartment C406, Apex, NC 27523

Jennifer Cobb, 1506 West Haven Boulevard (03)

Doug Edwards, 4699 Moreland Drive, Battleboro, NC 27809

Mike Evans, 1151 Falls Road, Apartment 218 (04)

Michele Costa Foster, 105 Gloucester Court (03)

Charlotte Gilliam, 3794 Loblolly Drive (04)

Bill Jones (Dorrie Wright's brother)

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

Grady Pittman, 313 Englewood Drive (04)

Jeannette Pittman, 313 Englewood Drive (04)

Billie Stallings, 404 Wildwood Avenue (03)

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

Sheila Whitley, Barclay House, 200 Trade Street, Tarboro, NC 27886

Our Members at Home:

Martha Bulluck, Spring Arbor, 1251 S. Winstead Avenue, Room 208 (04)

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

Daisy Howell, The Landings of Rocky Mount Mills, 1365 River Drive, Room 512 (04)

Betsy Waters, 401 E. Rhode Island Avenue, Room 275, Southern Pines, NC 28387

THIS WEEK AT LAKESIDE

Sunday, June 21

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

Sunday, June 28

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*



“THE FOUR”

Artist's Note

These four women: Tamar, Rahab, Ruth and Bathsheba have something in common. They are grandmother in Jesus' family tree! Grandmothers ... who were truly not the starry-eyed perfect princesses! But God chose them. These four broken women. And that's why I gave them crowns. A symbol of grace and love from our Creator and Redeemer ... May we all walk forth this day ... with new eyes to see grace in more beautiful ways and give grace to others and receive grace from God as well.

Tricia Robinson

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION WITH DAVE CLAWSON

One of the exciting opportunities of this year's Turnage Speaker Series is a small group discussion for coaches, athletic directors, and others who work with area youth organizations. On Sunday, August 23, at 2:30 p.m., Dave Clawson will lead a time of dialogue about the challenges of our current environment of high school and college athletics, including reflections on his own journey as college sports evolved into an industry.

The session will include a chance for participants to ask questions and engage in conversation. We hope you will encourage your friends who are involved in school, community, or nonprofit youth and athletic organizations to join us. Participation for this session is by registration only through the Event Registration page of our website.

In addition to this session, Coach Clawson will share part of his faith journey with us in morning worship on August 23 and offer a public lecture at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary, where he will share further thoughts about leadership and character and provide a time of conversation. Make plans now to join us!

CELEBRATING 35 YEARS OF GATEKEEPERS

All current and former Gatekeepers Workcamp participants are invited to join us for a time of worship and celebration for 35 years of faithful ministry to our community on Sunday, July 19, at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary, with a reception following in Lehman Courtyard.