



**THE FIFTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

*July 13, 2025
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

ORGAN PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Grammer

CHORAL INTROIT: "Take My Life and Let It Be"

H. A. César Malan

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow
in ceaseless praise.

Frances R. Havergal

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 606: "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

NETTLETON

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Mr. Mauk

Leader: Give thanks to our God who is so good,

People: Whose love stands firm forever.

Leader: From Little Easonburg to Little Raleigh, from Candlewood to Clark Street,

People: Let everyone that draws breath give thanks to our God, whose love stands firm forever!

Leader: Let those who have called this community their home from birth say it;

People: Let those who have settled here from far-away places say it;

Leader: Let mill workers and migrant workers, farmers and physicians say it;

People: Let those who live in comfortable homes and those who rest their heads on park benches say it;

Leader: Let young and old, rich and poor, healthy and sick, black and white and brown say it;

People: Let people all across this community say it:

All: Give thanks to our God who is so good, whose love stands firm forever!

adapted from Psalm 107

* 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.**

** Please stand as you are able.*

* 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.

CHORAL ADORATION: "I Bind My Heart This Tide"

Grace Wilbur Conant

I bind my heart this tide to the Galilean's side, to the wounds of Calvary, to the Christ who died for me. I bind my soul this day to the brother far away, and the sister near at hand, in this town, and in this land.

Lauchlan MacLean Watt, alt.

GATEKEEPERS WORKCAMP EXPERIENCES

REFLECTIONS ON GATEKEEPERS WORKCAMP 2025

Brenda Hurdle, Adult Volunteer

Bo Browder, Youth Volunteer

MEDITATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

Mr. Ross

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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Dr. Grammer

* OFFERTORY HYMN 490: "Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant"

THE SERVANT SONG

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dr. Grammer

We give thanks for Gatekeepers Workcamp, which repairs homes for elderly and disabled homeowners in our community. A Workcamp t-shirt is on the altar.

ORGAN OFFERTORY

* 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: "Christ Has Broken Down the Wall"

Mark A. Miller

Christ has broken down the wall. Let us join our hearts as one. Christ has broken down the wall. We're accepted as we are. Through God's love all is reconciled. We're accepted as we are. Cast aside your doubts and fears. Peace and love, freely offered here. We will tear down the walls! We will tear down every wall. God has called us one and all. Christ has broken down the wall.

EPISTLE LESSON:

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16

SERMON:

"We Are Stronger Together"

Dr. Edwards

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Young and old, sons and daughters of God, we who are the diverse creations of God's imagination and love join in praise and thanksgiving as we worship the One who brings us together. We come to this place, bringing our varied stories, our unique gifts, and our distinct calls to serve. We come together in partnership and mission, knowing that we are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to serve others, to seek justice, to offer the hope of the Resurrected Christ. We are called to be the Body of Christ—a community of believers, a household of faith, a communion of saints, the people of the covenant. We are called to the one hope of our high calling—one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God. As members of the body of Christ, we covenant together to build on the sure foundation of Jesus Christ our Lord and to seek the vision of Christ's hope for the world.

Sharlande Sledge

CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 494: “They’ll Know We Are Christians”

ST. BRENDAN’S

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

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

Dr. Edwards

* ORGAN POSTLUDE

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in memory of David McKnight by Terry and Rob Martin.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Libby Grammer
Senior Minister

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister

James Mauk
Minister of Music

Zack Ross
Organist

The Lakeside Chancel Choir

Kerrigan Stinson
Acolyte

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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.*

Today is Gatekeepers Workcamp Sunday,** celebrating the good work of Gatekeepers in our community this past week. In 1992, Gatekeepers Workcamp started as a partnership of Rocky Mount churches committed to providing free home repairs to elderly and disabled homeowners in our community and offering our youth an opportunity to serve their neighbors. Thirty-four years later, we can see an even greater need for cooperation across lines of age, denomination, race, economic status, and ideology. We believe that seeking unity within the Body of Christ and forming partnerships with others are vital for a thriving community. This year's Gatekeepers theme has helped us to explore biblical themes of unity, cooperation, and offering our gifts as many members of the one Body, knowing that **WE ARE STRONGER 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, Sammie Kunz, Esther Keller, Allison Benoit, and Jacob McCain, who enrich our music ministry in many ways. Choral Scholars and guest singers are supported by the Gossett-Biggs Music Fund.

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:

UNC-Nash, 2460 Curtis Ellis Drive (04)

William Ward, CCU

At Home

Keith Abbott, 3413 Brookview Road (04)

Jim Ashby, 341 Old Coach Road (04)

Dave Corn, 3611 Browning Place, Raleigh, NC 27609

Della and Lela Edwards (Katie and Stewart Edwards' daughters)

211 River Bank Lane, Greenville, NC 27834

Michelle Costa Foster, 105 Gloucester Court (03)

Katie Hand, 4752 Honeysuckle Lane (04)

Bill Hoyle, P.O. Box 8194 (04)

Robert Kincheloe, 3704 Hawthorne Road (04)

Bill Jones (Dorrie Wright's brother)

Jim Martin, 116 Cobblestone Court (04)

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

Howard Phykitt, 106 Whispering Pines Drive (04)

Anthony Severini (Molly and Theo Pitt's neighbor)

Jean Smith, The Landings, 1365 River Drive (04)

Marian Underwood (William Underwood's mother)

Jill Ward, 3833 Westmoreland Drive (04)

Jo Webb, 209 Southern Boulevard (04)

Dorrie Wright, 1513 Jeremy Lane (03)

Our Members-at-Home

Stan Ford, 10820 Sandy Oak Lane, #208, Raleigh, NC 27614

Jim Wiggs, 1441 Rock Creek Drive (04)

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of Marilyn Kimbro who died on July 6. A gathering for friends and family will be held in Wilmington at a later date.

SUMMER COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE: "FEED MY SHEEP"

Join us for a gathering of Rocky Mount churches for community worship on Sunday, July 27 at 6:00 p.m. at New Morning Star Church of Christ (225 S. Glendale Drive). Rev. Mary Harris Todd, Pastor of Morton Presbyterian Church will preach. We will receive an offering to support the work of Meals on Wheels.

SHAWLS FOR WORSHIP

We have received requests to provide more shawls or wraps for those who are chilly during the worship hour. We currently have a basket with a few shawls available in the Narthex each week. If you have shawls, wraps, or large scarves you no longer need and would like to donate, please drop them off at the church office.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Our next Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday, July 22, from 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Robbins Hall. Sign up to give the gift of life by scanning the QR code or contacting the church office.



THIS WEEK AT LAKESIDE

Sunday, July 13: Gatekeepers Sunday

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

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

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

Wednesday, July 16

10:00 a.m. Gatekeepers Supply Clean-Up, *Lecture Room*

Sunday, July 20 – Saturday, July 26

Youth Mission Trip to NYC

Sunday, July 20

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*

Tuesday, July 22

1:30 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive, *Robbins Hall*

**Keep up with all that's happening at Lakeside
with the calendar on the church website!**

GATEKEEPERS
WORKCAMP
VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED

WAYS YOU CAN HELP:

☑ Wednesday, July 16 – 10:00 a.m. – Supply Clean-Up

Contact Elizabeth for more information.

WE'RE HIRING!

Lakeside is looking for a part-time Minister to Children who will expand and lead our ministries to children, birth through fifth grade, and their families.

If you know of someone in our congregation or community, or a college or seminary student, who loves working with children and has a heart for faith formation, have them visit our website or contact the church office for a job description and information about applying.