



EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
GATEKEEPERS WORKCAMP
35TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
July 19, 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. Grammer

CHORAL INTROIT: "Surely the Presence of the Lord"

WOLFE

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel his mighty power and his grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face; surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Lanny Wolfe

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 95: "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

DUKE STREET

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Sammie Crumley

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!

Psalm 107, adapted

* 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. 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.

GATEKEEPERS WORKCAMP EXPERIENCES

REFLECTIONS ON GATEKEEPERS WORKCAMP 2026

Dick Berry, Adult Volunteer
Barnes Haley & Isabella Haire, Youth Volunteers

MEDITATION

FIRST LESSON:

Psalm 107:1-9, 21-22

Abigail Yamba

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

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

H. A. César Malan

The text of the adoration is Hymn 609.

SECOND LESSON:

Exodus 13:17-22; 40:38-39

Catherine Cobb

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 67:

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

ST. ANNE

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

Mr. Mauk

ORGAN OFFERTORY

Mr. Ross

Today we give thanks for Gatekeepers Workcamp, which repairs homes for elderly and disabled homeowners in our community. A 2026 Workcamp t-shirt 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!**

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

ANTHEM: "Prayer of Consecration"

Deborah Dresie

Lord of life, sing through me. Give my heart a melody so sweet and pure, good and true that I may offer a song to you. Come to me and still my fear until my song is yours alone. Sing through me, Lord of life; make my voice your own. Lord of life, pray through me. Fill my mind with quiet peace so sweet and pure, good and true that I may have only thoughts of you. Come to me and still my doubt until my dreams are yours alone. Pray through me, Lord of life, make my mind your own. Lord of life, live through me. Keep my soul in harmony so sweet and pure, good and true that through my living I'll honor you. Come to me and still my will until my deeds are yours alone. Live through me, Lord of life; make my heart your own.

THIRD LESSON:

Philippians 1:3-11

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

SERMON:

"Faithful"

Dr. Edwards

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God who created the world and all that is in it, in the Son God sent to redeem the world, and in the Holy Spirit who is God's presence in the world today. We believe that everything we have belongs to God, given into our keeping for the good of the world. We believe that we are to live spiritually in the world, deal justly with all persons, and contribute to the care of the needy and poor among us. We believe that through our faithfulness and stewardship we are blessed with abundant life. Thanks be to God! Amen.

CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Dr. Edwards

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 709: "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

AUSTRIAN HYMN

(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 the
35th anniversary of Gatekeepers Workcamp by Elizabeth & Mark Edwards.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Libby Grammer
Senior Minister

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister

James Mauk
Minister of Music

Jacob McCain
Minister to Children

Zack Ross
Organist

Jason Schodt
Ministerial Intern

The Lakeside Chancel Choir &
Gossett-Biggs Choral Scholars

Lauren Broomell
Acolyte

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This is the season after Pentecost in the Christian year. 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.

The stoles worn today by our ministers were created several years ago by Lakeside's Preschool Children.

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-five years later, we can see an even greater need for faithful support of ministries like Gatekeepers, as we reach across lines of age, denomination, race, economic status, and ideology to love our neighbors in tangible, life-giving ways. We believe that the God who has been faithful to provide for our needs calls us to serve faithfully to meet the needs of others. This year's Gatekeepers theme has helped us to explore biblical themes of God's presence with us, God's provision for us, and the ways our faith calls us to be FAITHFUL in using our gifts and talents for the work of God's Kingdom.

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:

UNC Health Nash, 2460 Curtis Ellis Drive (04)

Shelton Chesson, Room 535

The Lodge at Rocky Mount, 3322 Village Road (04)

Lela Chesson

Autumn Care of Nash, 1210 Eastern Avenue, Nashville, NC 27856

Ziggy Zalzneck, Room 413

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)

Shane Eakes (Robert Wood's brother), 115 Sunshine Lane (01)

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)

Leland Goslen (Linda & Cameron Graham's great-nephew),
1021 Oakgate Court, Apex NC 27502

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)

Our Members at Home:

Chuck Daniel (Brenda and Dennis Culpepper's nephew)

Margaret Harper, Cottage #5209-101, Magnolia Glen, 5301 Creedmoor
Road, Raleigh, NC 27612

Cody Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

Kieth Abbott, 3413 Brookview Road (04)

We offer our sympathy to Ethel Hines and her family in the death of her son, Robert Landis, on July 15. A funeral service was held on July 18.

We rejoice with Nathan and Mary Frances Raper Miller on the birth of their son, DeWitt "Witt" Joyner Miller, on July 14. Genie and Don Raper are Witt's proud grandparents. Chick and Don Conley are his proud great-grandparents.

THANK YOU, JAKE!

Join us for a reception honoring Jake Mauk & Rebecca Blackwell in Lehman Courtyard following worship on Sunday, July 26, as we say goodbye and wish Jake well in his doctoral studies in Madison, WI. Thank you, Jake, for four years of sharing your gift of music with us!

TURNAGE LECTURE SERIES RETURNS!

On Sunday, August 23, Lakeside will host Coach Dave Clawson, former Head Coach of Wake Forest Football and current Executive Affiliate of the Allegacy Center for Leadership & Character at Wake Forest School of Business. Please pick up one of the advertisement posters in the Narthex to take to your place of business or other public location to invite others to this event, and let us know of coaches, athletic directors, and others who work with youth organizations who might be interested in a small group conversation with Coach Clawson on Sunday afternoon between worship and the public lecture at 5:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK AT LAKESIDE

Sunday, July 19

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

12:00 p.m. Gatekeepers Workcamp Reception,
Lehman Courtyard

Wednesday, July 22

10:00 a.m. Workcamp Cleanup

4:30 p.m. Turnage Series Committee, *Conference Room*

7:00 p.m. Choir Sendoff Party, *Marion Weathers' Home*

Sunday, July 26

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

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

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

12:00 p.m. Reception for Jake & Rebecca,
Lehman Courtyard

6:00 p.m. Community Worship Service, *Sanctuary*

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

We will begin collecting back to school supplies from now until August 5. Items needed include pens, pencils, erasers, highlighters, crayons, notebooks, 3-ring binders, loose-leaf paper, and feminine hygiene products. Donation bins are located in the office hallway and Sugg Foyer.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Our next Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday, July 28, from 1:30 to 6:00 p.m. in Robbins Hall. Sign up to give the gift of life using the sign up sheet available in the Narthex.

LET US PRAY

Community Worship & Prayer Service

Join us as we surround our community in prayer in a service of lament, repentance, thanksgiving, and reconciliation, and confront tensions of economics, race, and ideology that divide us.

*"Your Kingdom come, Your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven."*

Matthew 6:10

SUNDAY, JULY 26

6:00 P.M.

Lakeside Church
1501 Sunset Avenue

An offering to benefit
United Community Ministries
will be received.

Sponsored by a partnership of
Rocky Mount area churches.

Childcare will be
provided.

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