



**NINTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**
*July 26, 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: From "He Leadeth Me"

William B. Bradbury

He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me: his faithful follower I would be, for
by his hand he leadeth me.

Joseph H. Gilmore

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 6: "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

MIT FREUDEN ZART

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Inspired by Romans 8:31-39

Kate Barnes

Leader: If God is for us, who is against us?

People: God who gave us the Son, now gives us the Spirit in power!

Leader: The Holy One is in our midst:

People: Equipping us for life in the service of Christ.

Leader: In Christ we are more than conquerors,

People: For nothing in creation can separate us from the love of God!

Leader: May the all surpassing grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And the unshakable love of God be with you.

Leader: The joyous communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: And also with you!

Calvin Institute of Christian Worship

* 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 & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Dr. Edwards

Loving and Merciful God, we come before you acknowledging our weakness. We confess that we do not always pray as we ought, our minds consumed by the anxieties of this world. We admit that we don't always trust that your Spirit knows our hearts and will draw us near to you. We fail frequently and give into fear, believing all is lost, rather than living into the hope you have provided to us. Forgive us when we doubt your presence and help us be reminded of the depth of your great love for us.

(Pause for silent confession.)

MEDITATION

FIRST LESSON:

Psalms 119:129-136

Mr. McCain

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

CHORAL ADORATION: "God With Me"

Stephen Paulus

God with me lying down, God with me rising up, God with me in each ray of light, Nor I a ray of joy without Him, Nor one ray without Him. Christ with me sleeping, Christ with me waking up, Christ with me watching, And with me ev'ry day and night. God with me protecting, The Lord with me directing, The spirit with me strengthening, Forever and forever more, the chief of chiefs, Amen. God with me lying down, Christ with me waking up, God with me in each ray of light, And with me ev'ry day and night, Forever and forever more.

Celtic Invocation

Gossett-Biggs Choral Scholars

SECOND LESSON:

Romans 8:26-39

Mr. Mauk

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. Grammer

* OFFERTORY HYMN 566:

"Be Still, My Soul"

FINLANDIA

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

Mr. Schodt

ORGAN OFFERTORY

Mr. Ross

Today we give special thanks for our partnership with United Community Ministries, which provides a nurturing and supportive environment for homeless, and nearly homeless, families and individuals as they move toward wholeness. UCM is the beneficiary of our Community Worship Service offering this evening. The UCM logo and a candle holder depicting hands held in prayer are 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: "Do Not Be Afraid"

Philip W. J. Stopford

Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by your name; you are mine. When you walk through the waters, I'll be with you; you will never sink beneath the waves. When the fire is burning all around you, you will never be consumed by the flames. When the fear of loneliness is looming, then remember I am at your side. When you dwell in the exile of a stranger, remember you are precious in my eyes. You are mine, O my child, I am your Father, and I love you with a perfect love.

Gerard Markland

SERMON:

"Inseparable"

Dr. Grammer

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God: in his goodness in which we were born, in God's mercy by which we are kept, in God's love from which we cannot be separated.

We believe in Christ: whose way we follow, whose truth guides our steps, whose life claims ours.

We believe in the Spirit: from whom we receive comfort, in whom we find courage, by whom we are called to a life of service and love.

CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Dr. Grammer

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 534: "When Our Confidence Is Shaken"
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

LAUDA ANIMA

* BENEDICTION

Dr. Grammer

* 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 James Mauk, in celebration of his four years of leadership and service to the music ministry of Lakeside Church, by friends of Lakeside's Music Ministry.

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

Elena Grammer-Underwood
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.

Our Second Summer series is Good News for Tough Times and follows the letter from the Apostle Paul to the church in Rome. Paul's letter to the Romans is addressed to people he had never met, in hopes of encouraging and building up this community to which he dreamed of traveling. Christian life was perilous in those days. In this letter, we learn how God sustains us in the midst of brokenness, both within and without, helping us find wholeness and unity, no matter what crises we are facing.

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:

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

Lela Chesson, 53 Whispering Pines Drive (04)

Shelton Chesson, 53 Whispering Pines Drive (04)

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)

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:

Martha Bulluck, Spring Arbor, 1251 South Winstead Ave., Room 208 (03)

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

We offer our sympathy to Ethel Hines and her family in the death of her son,
Robert Landis, on July 15.

*To Lakeside Church, The family of Bob Davis, Greenville, SC, would like to
graciously thank you for all the creative and beautiful Dove Notes that were
sent to our home. Each sweet, thoughtful message gave joy and
encouragement. This is a wonderful mission of your church. Thank you for
your many prayers also. With love and heartfelt appreciation for your
kindness: Gay Davis.*

THANK YOU, JAKE!

Join us for a reception honoring Jake Mauk & Rebecca Blackwell in Lehman
Courtyard following worship today as we say goodbye and wish Jake well in
his doctoral studies in Madison, WI.

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 26

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

12:00 p.m. Reception for Jake Mauk, *Lehman Courtyard*

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

7:30 p.m. Fellowship Reception, *Lehman Courtyard*

Tuesday, July 28

1:30-6:00 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive, *Robbins Hall*

Thursday, July 30

11:00 a.m. Endowment Committee, *Conference Room*

Sunday, August 2

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

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

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

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

We are 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
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Childcare will be
provided.

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