



TENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
August 2, 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: "O Worship the Lord"

Robert McCutchan

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; Serve him with gladness all the earth. *from Psalm 96*

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 386: "We Come as Guests Invited"

WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Mr. Schodt

Leader: Come, all who are hungry and thirsty.

People: The Lord will provide for our needs.

Leader: Come this day to the table of the Lord.

People: Here we will find welcome and sustenance.

Leader: Come to this time of gathering and praise.

People: Lord, we come with open hearts and spirits to receive your gracious gift of love.

Nancy C. Townley

* 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

Mr. Schodt

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.*

MEDITATION & PROCLAMATION

FIRST LESSON:

Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21

Mr. Ross

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

CHORAL ADORATION: "We Would Extol Thee"

Louis Bourgeois

We would extol thee, ever blessed Lord. Thy holy name forever be adored. Each day we live to thee our psalm we raise. Thou, God and Sov'reign, worthy of our praise, great and unsearchable art all thy ways. Thou, Lord, art gracious, merciful to all, nigh to thy children when on thee they call. Slow unto anger, pitiful and kind, thou to compassion ever art inclined. We love thee with our heart and strength and mind.

based on Psalm 145

SECOND LESSON:

Romans 9:1-5

Will Lucas

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 73:

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

WELLESLEY

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dr. Grammer

ORGAN OFFERTORY

Mr. Ross

* 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!**

ANTHEM: "Come To The Water"

John Foley, S. J., arr. Lynda Hasseler

O let all who thirst, let them come to the water. And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord: without money, without price. Why should you pay the price, except for the Lord? And let all who seek, let them come to the water. And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord: without money, without strife. Why should you spend your life, except for the Lord? And let all who toil, let them come to the water. And let all who are weary, let them come to the Lord: without labor, without rest. How can your soul find rest, except for the Lord? And let all the poor, let them come to the water. Bring the ones who are laden, bring them all to the Lord: bring the children without might. Easy the load and light, come to the Lord.

SERMON:

"Grief and Hope"

Dr. Grammer

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Mr. Schodt

CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Gracious Lord, we are filled with a mixture of feelings today. Some of us are rejoicing in a joyous season while others continue to seek relief from the burdens and worries that they bear. All of us stand in need of your refreshing and nourishing love and forgiveness. You know how many times we have turned our backs on those in need; we have been too busy, too preoccupied with our own problems. Cause us to turn around and see instances in which we can be of help and comfort to someone else. Give us strength and courage to truly be your loving disciples in the ways in which we care for others. Forgive us when we stray from the paths of righteousness and peace. These things we offer in Jesus' Name.

Nancy C. Townley, adapted

(Pause for silent confession.)

SHARING OF BREAD AND CUP

Dr. Grammer & Mr. Schodt

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Dr. Grammer

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into Hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

Apostles' Creed

CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Dr. Grammer

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 101: "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

QUEBEC

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

* 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 memory of Faye Cooper Reese by Hope Reese.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Libby Grammer
Senior Minister

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister

Zack Ross
Minister of Music

Jacob McCain
Minister to Children

Jason Schodt
Ministerial Intern

Dyson Ponte
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 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.

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Lakeside Fellowship and Ministry

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

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)

Andrea Cuthrell, 3517 Mansfield Drive (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)

Brian Lassiter, 104 Killian Court (04)

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)

Ziggy Zalzneck, 324 Piedmont Avenue (03)

Our Members at Home:

Ethel Hines, 125 Cobblestone Court (04)

Ester McKnight (Terry Martin's mother), Brookdale Assisted Living, 650
Goldrock Road, Room 106 (04)

David Ozment, 1249 Green Tee Lane (04)

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.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

One of this year's Gatekeepers Workcamp houses needs some additional interior painting. We are in need of volunteers to help from 8:00 a.m. to noon on August 11, 12, and 13. We will also be seeking donations of furniture and housewares to help the homeowner be able to return to her home.

KITCHEN CLEAN-UP

We are in need of volunteers to help clean and organize the church kitchen on Wednesday, August 19, at 9:30 a.m. Come dressed for cleaning.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Join us on Sunday, August 30, at 11:00 a.m., as we take time during our morning worship to bless our students of all ages and their educators as they return to school.

WELCOME, JACOB!

Join the families of Lakeside's children and youth in a fellowship luncheon on Sunday, August 30, following worship, in welcoming Jacob McCain as our new Minister to Children. Please sign up by August 26 on the Event Registration page of the church website or by calling or emailing the church office.

THIS WEEK AT LAKESIDE

Sunday, August 2

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

12:15 p.m. Continue the Communion, *Chico's*

Sunday, August 9

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

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

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

CONTINUE THE COMMUNION

Our Continue the Communion lunch group will meet after worship today at Chico's Mexican Restaurant (1701 Sunset Avenue). Please join us for a delicious meal and good fellowship.

BACKPACK BUDDIES

Backpack Buddies, Lakeside's ministry to provide meals to 35 students at Benvenue Elementary School, will resume in August. If you can volunteer once per month or sponsor a child, please contact the church office. The cost to sponsor is \$35 per month or \$315 for the year. Donations in any amount are appreciated.

STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

We are so grateful for Sue Bulluck's two years of ministry among us as Senior Adult Director and for Cindy Davis' three years serving among us as Custodian (and now Secretarial Assistant).



The Frederick E. Turnage Distinguished Speaker Series at Lakeside:

Conversations in Christian Citizenship
FEATURING

DAVE CLAWSON

- Executive Affiliate of the Allegacy Center for Leadership & Character
Wake Forest University School of Business
- Former Head Coach of Wake Forest Football
- 2021 ACC Coach of the Year

Sunday, August 23, 2026

"LEADING WITH A VALUE SYSTEM"

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

11:00 a.m. - MORNING WORSHIP, LAKESIDE SANCTUARY
Hear a part of Coach Clawson's own faith story.

2:30 p.m. - SMALL-GROUP DISCUSSION, ROBBINS HALL
(By reservation only)

A conversation with area coaches, athletic directors, and business leaders about how to lead and mentor through your value system.

5:00 P.M. - PUBLIC PRESENTATION & DIALOGUE, LAKESIDE SANCTUARY

The entire community is invited to join the conversation.



All events will be held at Lakeside Church
1501 Sunset Avenue, Rocky Mount
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scan the QR Code for more details about these
events and the Turnage Series.

