



LAKESIDE CHURCH

Rocky Mount, NC

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 23, 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. Schodt

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Grammer

Robert Sykes, Turnage Committee

CHORAL INTROIT: "Hallelujah"

Anonymous

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 491: "As Grain on Scattered Hillsides"

MERLE'S TUNE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Sam Johnson

Leader: We look at this world, focusing on the pain and confusion,
the fears and hatred which seem to abound.

People: For what can we hope?

Leader: We wait breathlessly for the goodness of creation to be made manifest
in all the world, for this is the promise of God.

People: God is always with us, guiding, rescuing, healing, restoring us.

Leader: Get ready, dear friends, the promises of God are true.

People: Lord, quiet our spirits and open our hearts.

Bring us hope and peace.

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

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.

** Please stand as you are able.*

FREDERICK E. TURNAGE LECTURE SERIES

TESTIMONY

Dave Clawson

MEDITATION & PROCLAMATION

PSALTER LESSON:

Psalm 86:11-17

Carol Barker

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

CHORAL ADORATION: "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

Frederick A. Challinor

Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:
scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

William H. Parker

GOSPEL LESSON:

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

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 59:

"This Is My Father's World"

TERRA BEATA

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dr. Edwards

ORGAN OFFERTORY

Mr. Schodt

*Today we give special thanks for our Frederick E. Turnage Lecture Series: Conversations on Christian
Citizenship, a ministry inaugurated in 2014 thanks to a generous gift from the Turnage family and friends of
the late Fred Turnage, a longtime Lakeside member and Mayor of Rocky Mount.*

* 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: "Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth," from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn

Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in their heavenly Father's realm. Joy on their
head shall be for everlasting, and all sorrow and mourning shall flee away forever.

Jacob McCain, Gossett-Biggs Choral Scholar, soloist

Matthew 13:43

SERMON:

"In The Weeds"

Dr. Grammer

RESPONSE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Dr. Grammer

**As people of faith, we embrace fully the promise of God, not as a mere pledge to be
fulfilled, but as a distinct change from the past for the present. God's promise to us is
light, not darkness; order, not chaos; peace, not war; righteousness, not sin; salvation,
not estrangement; hope, not despair.**

**As people of faith, we enter joyfully into covenant with God, that God's promise might
be realized in us. Therefore, we are now united with God, and our covenant is bound by
Jesus the Christ, whose example we emulate and whose path we follow. Amen.**

CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Dr. Grammer

- * RECESSIONAL HYMN 699: "Rejoice, the Lord Is King!" DARWALL'S 148TH
(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. Schodt

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
 and in memory of Fred Turnage by the Turnage family.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Libby Grammer
Senior Minister

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister

Zack Ross
Minister of Music

Jacob McCain
Minister to Children

The Lakeside Chancel Choir &
 Gossett-Biggs Choral Scholars

Wilson Reynolds
Acolyte

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We Welcome Guest Speaker Dave Clawson, Executive Affiliate of the Allegacy Center for Leadership & Character at the Wake Forest University School of Business and Former Head Coach of Wake Forest Football and 2021 ACC Coach of the Year. In worship, he will offer a testimony to how his faith affects his leadership. His presentation at this evening's public lecture will be titled, "Leading With a Value System."

We welcome Jason Schodt as our guest organist today. Jason, who studied organ at East Carolina University, is a Lakeside member and current student at Duke Divinity School. We're thankful for Jason sharing his time and talents with us again this weekend.

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.

Our final Summer Sermon Series is "Surprise! Parables from Jesus." We encounter deep truths when we explore the teachings of Jesus in parables, and we also are often surprised by Jesus' interpretations. We will explore these surprising stories in a six-week series as we end our summer season 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, Allison Benoit, 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:

At Home:

Keith Abbott, 3413 Brookview Drive (04)

Ann Bishop, 2600 Croasdaile Farm Parkway., Apartment 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)

Sheila Martin, 116 Cobblestone 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:

Chuck Daniel, (Brenda & Dennis Culpepper's nephew)

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

Cody Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

We offer our sympathy to Liz, Phil, Alex, Jack, Tyler, and Lauren Broomell in the death of Liz's mother, Barbara Phiel, on August 17 in Port St. Lucie, Florida.

On behalf of the families of Sharing From the Heart, we wish to thank you for everything that God allows your ministry to do for our community. I especially thank you for our partnership of 25 years of service. God bless each of you.

Sincerely, Deborah James

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 23: Turnage Lecture Series

11:00 a.m. Worship with Dave Clawson, *Sanctuary*

2:30 p.m. Small Group Discussion
with Dave Clawson, *Lecture Room*

5:00 p.m. Turnage Lecture Series Public
Presentation & Dialogue, *Sanctuary*

Tuesday, August 25

4:00 p.m. Administrative Council, *Conference Room*

Sunday, August 30: Back-to-School Sunday

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

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

11:00 a.m. Worship with the Blessing of Backpacks,
Sanctuary

12:15 p.m. Welcome Luncheon for Jacob McCain,
Robbins Hall



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
Visit www.lakesidechurchrmt.org or
scan the QR Code for more details about these
events and the Turnage Series.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are still needed to help with Children's Church on Sunday mornings and Children's activities on Sunday evenings. Activities will resume in mid-September, so please let Jacob know if you can help.