



LAKESIDE CHURCH

Rocky Mount, NC

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

October 4, 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 worshipping 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: Prelude on "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Raymond H. Haan

WORDS OF WELCOME & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH Dr. Grammer

CHORAL INTROIT: "Eat This Bread" Jaques Berthier

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and never be hungry. Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 420: "I Come With Joy" DOVE OF PEACE

* CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Edwards

Leader: God who is One, you call us to be one,

People: May we be one with all who are made in your image.

Leader: God who is Three, you call us to be community,

People: May we find community with all who are called by your name.

Leader: God who calls us all by your name,

People: May we find our place in your eternal family.

Christine Sine, adapted

* GLORIA PATRI GREATOR EX

**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 & 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.

MEDITATION & PROCLAMATION

FIRST LESSON: Acts 2:42-47 Carol Lucas

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

** Please stand as you are able.*

CHORAL ADORATION: “Verily, Verily I Say Unto You ”

Thomas Tallis

Verily, verily I say unto you, except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood hath eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood dwelleth in me, and I in him.

John 6:53-56

Gossett-Biggs Choral Scholars

SECOND LESSON:

I Corinthians 10:16-17; 11:23-26

Mr. McCain

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

SUNG RESPONSE 327:

(All are invited to join in singing.)

John S. Wilson

Write these words in our hearts, we beseech you, O God.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

Dr. Edwards

* OFFERTORY HYMN 429:

“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

FINEST WHEAT

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dr. Grammer

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord

Rudolf Moser

* 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: “*Ave Verum Corpus*”

W. A. Mozart

Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary, having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind, from whose pierced side water and blood flowed: Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet] in the trial of death! O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus, O Jesus, son of Mary, have mercy on me. Amen.

Eucharistic Hymn, 13th century

SERMON:

“I Come With Joy”

Dr. Grammer

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Dr. Grammer

COMMUNION LITANY

Leader: God Almighty, today by the power of your Spirit,
we come with joy and unite at your table,

People: We unite with all our siblings in Christ.

Leader: We unite with siblings from all Christian churches and denominations,

People: We unite with all who are joined by the Holy Spirit of God.

Leader: We unite with followers from every church and congregation,

People: We unite with God’s children from every creed and culture. *Christine Sine, adapted*

CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Dr. Edwards

God, we yearn to be a worldwide community of believers, united in your Spirit. Yet we struggle with differences that become divisions, rather than tapestries. We are weighed down by tensions and things that break us apart. Forgive us, God, when we fail to build a bigger table and instead erect walls to keep us apart. Help us to reach out across our differences and love this world as you love us. In the name of Christ, who lived like us, died like us, and lives again, we pray, Amen.

Waiting for Water, adapted

(Pause for silent confession.)

SHARING OF BREAD & CUP

Dr. Grammer & Dr. Edwards

At the invitation of the ministers, you are invited to come forward for communion. Forming two lines, please use the center aisle as you approach the altar and the side aisles as you return to your seat. If you prefer to remain seated, a Deacon will serve you. This morning, we will take the bread and the cup by intinction, dipping the bread into the common cup. You will take a piece of bread from the plate offered by one of the deacons and dip it into the chalice offered by one of the ministers. You may then place the bread in your mouth. A common response when taking communion is to say, "Thanks be to God." or a simple, "Amen."

COMMUNION HYMN: "Bread of Life / Pan de Vida"

Jaime Cortez

**Bread of Life, *Pan de Vida*, Wine of Love, *Vino de Amor*.
All as one body, *todos Unidos*, at the table of God, *en la mesa de Dios*.**

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.

CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Dr. Grammer

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

MERLE'S TUNE

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

* BENEDICTION

Dr. Grammer

SUNG RESPONSE 404: *(All are invited to join in singing.)*

BOYLSTON

**A hymn of joy we sing around your table, Lord;
again our grateful tribute bring, our solemn vows record.**

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Postlude in F

Christian Cappelen

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

Gus Haley
Acolyte

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Today is World Communion Sunday, which is observed annually on the first Sunday in October. In a time when fear and violence divide the people of God's earth, World Communion Sunday reminds us of our unity through Christ. Christians in congregations around the world are participating in communion today, and Lakeside Church joins our brothers and sisters in all nations as we gather around the table to remember Christ's sacrifice. The paraments on the altar and pulpit, along with the ministers' stoles, provide us with visual cues about the meaning of our faith. The liturgical color of the day is white, symbolic of purity and light.

Our First Sermon Series this Fall is "Hymns of Joy," where for four weeks, we will explore the hymns we sing and the scriptures they invoke. We'll find joy anew as we sing and share these important parts of our shared worship!

Restrooms are located in the hallway behind the sanctuary. **Childcare** is available in the preschool building. You are welcome to utilize our **Kids' Corner** in the back of the sanctuary. **Children's worship bags** are available in the narthex. **Bibles, several large print hymnals, and wireless hearing aides** are available for your convenience and are located in the Prayer Room off the Narthex.

Lakeside Fellowship and Ministry

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

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

Connie Griffin, Room 202

At Home:

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)

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

Katie Hand, 4752 Honeysuckle Lane (04)

Linda Hoyle, 210 Gravely Drive (04)

Bill Jones (Dorrie Wright's brother)

Brian Lassiter, 104 Killian Court (04)

Caroline Martin (Ginny & Ricky Cobb's granddaughter)

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

Howard Phykitt, 106 Whispering Pines Drive (04)

Grady Pittman, 313 Englewood Drive (04)

Jeannette Pittman, 313 Englewood Drive (04)

Billie Stallings, 404 Wildwood Avenue (03)

Kate Thomas (Jaye and James Biggs's granddaughter),
904 Shepard St., Morehead City, NC 28557

George Ward (Witten & Travis Ward's son), 332 Iron Horse Road (04)

Ziggy Zalzneck, 324 Piedmont Avenue (03)

Our Members at Home:

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

John Cappiello, Brookridge Retirement Community,
1199 Hayes Forest Dr., 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

CHURCHWIDE FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Join us in Robbins Hall on Sunday, October 11, following worship, for a covered-dish meal as our youth share photos and stories from June's Arizona Pilgrimage. We will provide chicken and beverages. Each family is asked to bring a side dish or a dessert. Please sign up by October 8.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

We will celebrate the annual blessing of the animals this evening, October 4, at 6:30 p.m., in front of the Youth Building. Bring your pets on a lease or in a carrier, or bring a plush animal friend, for this time of blessing and giving thanks for the creatures that bring us joy.

THIS WEEK AT LAKESIDE

Sunday, October 4: World Communion Sunday

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

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

12:15 p.m. Security Training, *Lecture Room*

2:00 p.m. Missions Committee, *Conference Room*

3:30 p.m. Discipleship Class, *Conference Room*

5:00 p.m. Children & Youth Activities,
Music & Youth Building

6:30 p.m. Blessing of the Animals, *Youth Suite Lawn*

Tuesday, October 6

4:00 p.m. Lakeside Ladies' Book Club, *101 Bunn Ave.*

7:00 p.m. Study Group, *Zoom*

Wednesday, October 7

10:00 a.m. Study Group, *Conference Room*

10:00 a.m. Dove Notes, *Godwin Library*

6:00 p.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal, *Music Suite*

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, *Music Suite*

Sunday, October 11

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

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

11:00 a.m. Worship with Children's Church,
Sanctuary

12:15 p.m. Youth Pilgrimage Luncheon, *Robbins Hall*

3:30 p.m. Discipleship Class, *Conference Room*

5:00 p.m. Children & Youth Activities,
Music & Youth Building



Let's DO LUNCH

Continue the Communion Lunch Group

Sunday, October 4
Sal's Pizza
2820 Sunset Avenue

The group meets at a local restaurant after worship for a pay-for-your-own meal and fellowship the first Sunday of each month.

Contact Sue Bulluck or Joan Ashby for more information.

www.lakesidechurchmt.org

SECURITY & ABUSE PREVENTION TRAINING

This training is being offered twice this fall and is required for all staff, volunteers, chaperones, and committee members who work with our youth and children. The first session will be held today after worship and the second will be on Sunday, October 18, at 2:00 p.m., in the Lecture Room.