



The Link

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CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU!

I suspect that each of us reads *The Link* differently. Some of us pull the week's edition from the mailbox and look first at the schedule on the back to see what is happening at the church in the coming week. Some of us turn immediately to page two to find out if anyone is in the hospital and who else is on the prayer list. Most of us probably look at the front page to discover the "big news" of the week. Eventually, however, if not at first, we all turn to page three to see what the offering was for the week and how our giving is doing in relation to our needs.

I certainly hope that you have been looking at page three every week of this month. If so, you learned that we were very generous last year, exceeding our budget needs by a little over \$7,300. Because of our careful use of resources, we saved funds in several areas so that we ended the year with a positive balance of \$19,307. The Board of Finance will decide where to allocate those funds in ways that will benefit our ministries going forward.

Congratulations! You are a faithful and generous congregation! Over a year ago, you wholeheartedly approved the 2019 Ministry Plan. When we were faced with a challenge to revise that plan in order to be better stewards, you courageously took that step. And in order to be certain that our resources were sufficient, you gave generously. Thank you!

As of this week, we have met and exceeded our budgeted needs for the month. How good it is to see a positive number in the column that details our giving compared to our needs. Imagine what it would be like to have a positive number in that column every month of the year. Why not find out?!

Thank you for every act of generosity and self-giving. Jody Wright

TOPNOTCHERS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Please join us as we celebrate J. N. Willcox's 90th Birthday! We will gather for lunch at the Skinner's (604 Chad Street) on Thursday, February 6, at noon. Please call the church office (446-0126) by Monday, February 3, to let us know that you are coming. Drivers will be available if you need a ride.

LAKESIDE LADIES BOOK CLUB

Join us at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 4, at the home of Susan Skinner (604 Chad Street) as we discuss *The Water Dancer* by Ta-Nehisi Coates. Terry Martin will lead the discussion and Kathy Manning will co-host.

TOPNOTCHERS VALENTINE BANQUET

Lakeside's Youth invite our Topnotchers to join us for a Valentine Banquet on Sunday, February 16, at 6:00 p.m. in Robbins Hall. We will enjoy a delicious meal, interactive games, and lots of sweet treats. Please contact the church office or complete the Event Registration form on the website by February 12 to sign up.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Rocky Mount Rehabilitation Center, 160 S. Winstead Avenue (04)

Sue Daughety

At Home:

Ed Astin, 121 Candlewood Road (04)

Clayton Brown (Doris Booth's brother), 2609 Taylor Rd., Chesapeake, VA 23321

Brody Cuthrell (Sue Bulluck's cousin), 4412 Powell's Point Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23455

Meghan Davis (extended family of Helen Laughery), 1305 Sunset Drive, Greensboro, NC 27804

Laura Deulio, (extended family of Ann and Leo Bishop), 88 Lakeside Drive, Newport News, VA 23606

Joyce Dickens, 128 Timberlane Road (04)

Scott Farber (Patty Schirman's brother), 11218 S. Utah, Davenport, Iowa 52802

Agnes Fore (J.N. Willcox's sister-in-law), 177 Forest View Rd., Surgoinsville, TN

Josh Hill (Dorrie and Jim Wright's son-in-law) 11260 Donner Pass Road, Truckee, California, 96161

Erin McAuliffe, 34 Winders Creek (04)

David Ozment (Debbie and Tim Ozment's son), 1249 Green Tee Lane (04)

Cody Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

Frank Rountree (Anna Anderson's brother-in-law), 76 Mill Pond Road, Gatesville, NC 27938

Vena Scott, 2324 41st Street, Apt. 355, Wilmington, NC 28403

Brian Spencer (Weathers' son-in-law) 813 Nuttree Place, Raleigh, NC 27606

Joe Stanton, PO Box 41, Nashville, NC 27856

Jim Wiggs, 1441 Rock Creek Drive (04)

Our Members-at-Home

Ethel Hines, 125 Cobblestone Court (04)

Joyce Siler, 1575 John Knox Drive PB-206, Colfax, NC 27235

Jean Smith, Fountains at The Albemarle, 200 Trade Street, Tarboro, NC 27886

Barbara Harris, 161 Irene Court Unit-3, Box-9 (04)

We want to thank everyone for your prayers, cards, food, and many acts of kindness shown to us during Michael's long illness and death on January 12.

Brenda and Dennis Culpepper and the Michael Riley Family

WOMEN'S RETREAT

This year's Women's Retreat will take place February 21-22 at the Boseman farm. Pamela Bailey, local minister, speaker, and mentor, will lead us in a time of study, reflection, prayer, fellowship, and fun. We will begin with dinner at 5:00 p.m. on Friday and end with dinner on Saturday. The cost of \$50 per person includes meals. Please call the church office to sign up or for more information.

FAITH BIBLE CLASS RESUMES

The Faith Bible Class will resume on Sunday, February 2, at 9:45 a.m. in Room 116 of the Education Building. Adults of all ages are invited to join in this time of Bible study and guided discussion. The first series, *Walking in the Good Way*, considers the relationship faith builds between belief and actions. Dick Berry will lead the class.

YOUTH NEWS

We had a fabulous ski trip last weekend as we joined nearly 400 youth and adults from CBFNC churches at Winterplace! Many thanks to the donors who helped to make the trip possible as well as Leslie Paszek, David Browder, Andrew Robillard, and Alex Broomell who accompanied us.

Join us for a Super Bowl party at my home in Nashville this Sunday night and for our regular schedule of activities on February 9. Our casserole sale fund raiser is March 14. All fifth and sixth graders are encouraged to sign up for our next Discipleship Class which will be offered the first four Sundays of March at 3:30 p.m. each week. I hope to see you all on Sunday. Elizabeth

CASSEROLE AND BAKE SALE

Plan to stock your freezer at our annual casserole and bake sale on Saturday, March 14. Casseroles, soups, chili, sauces, and baked goods of all kinds will be available. We will begin signing up for food donations in the narthex on February 2. Proceeds will benefit the youth summer trip fund and local missions.

WINTER BIBLE STUDY

This year's winter Bible Study will be a five-week exploration of the Epistle to the Colossians and will begin on January 28 and 29. The Tuesday group will meet at 7:00 p.m. each week. The Wednesday group will meet at 10:00 a.m. Study guides are \$7 each and are available in the church office. Please sign up by contacting the church office or completing the registration form on our website.

MUSIC NOTES

The Lakeside Ringers will lead in worship this Sunday. Please meet in the sanctuary for rehearsal at 9:15 a.m. Sunday evening choir rehearsals and Missions and Music will not meet this Sunday, but I look forward to having everyone back in place on February 9. Other important dates to remember are: the Cherub Choir will sing in worship on March 8 and the Alleluia Choir on March 15. Amy

SUNDAY MORNING AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Robert Sykes and Frank Maynard
 Ushers - Group II, Wayne Cotton, Captain
 Acolyte - Maggie Paszek; Crucifer - Edward Evans
 Extended Session - Catherine Matlack
 Audio Booth Volunteer - Ricky Cobb

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2020 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$615,249

	Week	YTD
Anticipated Giving	\$11,832	47,327
Through January 26	\$11,973	\$48,106
Variance	+\$141	+\$779

LAKESIDE AT WORSHIP

February 2, 2020 ✧ *The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany*
The Celebration of Communion

Lessons: Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40

Sermon: "Epiphany of the Faithful"

Chancel Choir Anthems:

"Forever Blest Is He" - Handel

"Offertory" - Beck

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LAKESIDE CALENDAR

Thursday, January 30

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor
 3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Children's Classroom
 5:30 p.m. Board of Finance, Conference Room

Sunday, February 2

9:15 a.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal, Sanctuary
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, Education Building Foyer
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 12:15 p.m. Growing Young Team, Conference Room
 6:00 p.m. Youth Super Bowl Party, Edwards Home in Nashville
 There will be no children's activities at the church on Sunday night.

Monday, February 3

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Children's Classroom

Tuesday, February 4

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study Group, Conference Room

Wednesday, February 5

10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study Group, Conference Room
 6:30 p.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal
 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 6

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor
 3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Children's Classroom

FLOWER CALENDAR

You may reserve dates for altar and narthex floral arrangements by signing up on the 2020 Flower Calendar in the office hallway or by calling the church office.