



# The Link

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## GROWING YOUNG, GROWING TOGETHER

The Church Assessment that you completed last fall asked you to indicate how you think our congregation lives out certain basic characteristics of a church that is vibrant and involves younger people. As noted last week, you indicated that we are quite strong in three areas: conveying Jesus' message, developing warm relationships, and being best neighbors to our community.

While we are obviously intentional about the other three characteristics the survey addressed, there is also room for improvement in the areas of keychain leadership, empathy, and prioritizing everywhere.

Keychain leadership is the practice of encouraging and enabling young people to be a part of the decision making process in the church. How can we involve more young people in leading our ministries?

Obviously, empathy is the desire and ability to understand what it is like to be a teenager or young adult in the world today. We clearly remember what it was like when we were between the ages of 13-29, but do we appreciate the differences that exist for young people today? Are we willing to find out?

Another important aspect of a thriving church is the willingness to prioritize young people in our planning and activities. Does our schedule of ministries reflect current commitments and responsibilities or is it tied to a way of life that is unfamiliar to most younger people?

Our Growing Young, Growing Together emphasis is an opportunity to think about and explore these issues together. Following worship on Sunday, March 8, we will enjoy a covered dish luncheon together and then take some time for conversation about how we can continue to grow together.

Our congregation has thrived for sixty-five years because we work together in whatever we do. That kind of cooperation and commitment has never been more important than now. When we get together for conversation, we want to hear from everyone about how we can continue to grow together and share the love of God with our community.

## 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 as soon as possible.



## 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, Room 214**

### 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)

**Nancy Porter**, 1202 Rosedale Avenue (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 41<sup>st</sup> Street, Apt. 355, Wilmington, NC 28403

**Joe Stanton**, PO Box 41, Nashville, NC 27856

**Dorrie Wright**, 1513 Jeremy Lane (03)

### Our Members-at-Home

**Doris Booth**, 206 Clifton Road (04)

**Dozia Collins**, 2552 North Old Carriage Road (04)

**Sherry Johnson**, c/o Brighton Gardens, 3101 Duraleigh Rd, Rm 165, Raleigh, NC 27612

**Martha Tuttle**, Morningside Rock Hill, 1830 West Main St., Rock Hill, SC 29732

## FAREWELL AND BLESSINGS

Mary Frances Dinan has moved to Hot Springs, Virginia, to be with her daughter Ann. We will miss her here, but offer our blessings to her there. Her new address is: P.O. Box 741, Hot Springs, VA 24445. Her phone number is: (540) 839-2144.

## 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.

## LAKESIDE LADIES BOOK CLUB

Join us at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, at the home of Barbara Valentine (205 Fort Street, Nashville) as we discuss *The Dearly Beloved* by Cara Wall. Edna Corn will lead the discussion.

## YOUTH NEWS

We are looking forward to hosting the Topnotchers for our Valentine Banquet on Sunday evening. Please arrive in Robbins Hall by 4:30 p.m. to help with preparing dinner and setting tables and plan to dress nicely. We should finish around 7:30 p.m. Youth families are needed to assist with the casserole sale sign-up in the narthex each Sunday between now and the sale on 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.

Upcoming dates for summer activities are: VBS – June 1-5; Gatekeepers Workcamp – July 12-17; New York Mission Trip – week of July 26. 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 Sunday mornings through March 8. Proceeds will benefit the youth summer trip fund and local missions.

## MUSIC NOTES

We are in need of someone to help with the preschool activities on Sunday evenings from 5-7 p.m. Sue Cataline does a great job teaching the children and planning the activities, but another adult is needed to help out. If you can only commit to one or two Sundays a month, your help would be appreciated. Hanging out with little ones can help keep you young in heart and mind. A small time commitment can yield great reward. Please contact me if you or someone you know would like to help out. Amy

## 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.

## SUNDAY MORNING AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Leslie Paszek and Andrew Robillard  
 Ushers - Group II, Wayne Cotton, Captain  
 Acolyte - Elizabeth Paszek; Crucifer - Reynolds Cobb  
 Extended Session - Teresa and Dan Herring  
 Audio Booth Volunteer - Wayne Cotton

## LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2020 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$615,249

	Week	YTD
Anticipated Giving	\$11,832	\$70,990
Through February 9	\$2,567	\$60,506
Variance	-\$9,265	-\$10,484

## LAKESIDE AT WORSHIP

February 16, 2020 ✧ *The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany*

Lessons: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon: "Epiphany on the Mountain"

Chancel Choir Anthems:

"It Is a Precious Thing" - Peter/arr. Dickinson

"Lord of the Small" - Forrest

## LAKESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

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## CHURCH STAFF

Jody Wright Senior Minister	Elizabeth Edwards Associate Minister	Amy Shortt Minister of Music
Liz Broomell Administrative Assistant	Diana Kirkpatrick Organist	Linda Davis Secretarial Assistant
Susan Skinner Senior Adult Director	Milton Marrow Custodian	Rachel Holloman Preschool Director

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## LAKESIDE CALENDAR

### Thursday, February 13

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

### Sunday, February 16

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. Diaconate, Conference Room  
 4:30 p.m. Youth meet in Robbins Hall  
 5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir, Preschool Building  
 5:00 p.m. Alleluia Choir, Children's Choir Room  
 5:45 p.m. Dinner for Preschoolers and Children, Youth Room  
 6:00 p.m. Topnotcher's Valentine Banquet, Robbins Hall  
 6:15 p.m. Preschool Storytime, Children's Missions Activities

### Tuesday, February 18

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

### Wednesday, February 19

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 20

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

Our Lakeside Preschool is looking for someone to assist Sharon Boistard in caring for children in our afterschool program. Please contact Rachel Holloman at 446-2626 if you know someone who is interested.