



# The Link

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## LENT 2020

### A LENTEN MOSAIC: LIVING IN GRACE

For the members of Lakeside, our Palladian “Window on the World,” Dr. Lehman’s “Go To Be Involved” benediction, and the chancel cross with its colorfully tiled mosaic, are three meaningful expressions of our faith. Each one is a beautifully crafted representation of beliefs we hold dear.

During the season of Lent, we will focus on the cross mosaic while piecing together how we, as followers of Christ, understand, find, and learn to live in grace. We will begin our Lenten journey on February 26 with our Ash Wednesday service at 6:30 p.m. A light supper will be offered at 5:30 p.m. in Robbins Hall.

We also invite you to contribute a Lenten devotion which is a creative expression of your own faith and understanding of grace. You may want to share a favorite hymn or poem or write your own inspirational story or verse. You may choose to sketch a picture of “amazing grace” or submit a photograph of grace in action. We encourage you to include a passage of scripture, a prayer, or a blessing with your devotion. Send your devotion to the church at lakesiderm@embarqmail.com or edwardselizabeth@embarqmail.com.

Lakeside is a wonderfully diverse and talented congregation. We look forward to sharing with one another how each of us imagines God’s grace.



### WHAT MATTERS MOST AT THE END OF LIFE

What do we most wish for at the end of our lives? What do we most fear about dying? As my mother-in-law experienced a health crisis toward the end of her life, these two questions were posed to her by a hospital physician. They are questions worthy of consideration for each of us (no matter what stage of life we find ourselves).

During the month of March, we will begin to think about how to create a dignified and meaningful end of life for ourselves and the people we love. John Derbyshire will lead a series of discussions on these topics with the Discussion Class on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. Please join our conversations.

March 8: How Did We Get So Old? An Introduction to Aging

March 15: Who Is Going To Take Care of Us? A discussion of issues raised in the book *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande.

March 22 & 29: Life! Ain’t No Getting Out Alive! End of Life Issues

April 5: Be Prepared! Planning at the End of Life.

Following the series, we will also offer an opportunity to talk about planning for a memorial or funeral service and other ways we can prepare for the end of life.

Jody Wright

## 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

**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

**Mae Joyner**, 700 Drexel Road (03)

**Carlton Kimbro**, Liberty Commons, 121 Racine Drive, Wilmington, NC 28403

**Audrey Scarboro**, 724 York Street (03)

**Jane Abbottt**, 3413 Brookview Road (04)

We rejoice with Justin and Bridget Sykes in the birth of their son, Edward Davis, on February 6 in Washington, D.C. Janet and Robert Sykes are proud grandparents; Jean Smith is Davis’ great-grandmother.

### 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 will be available. You may sign up for food donations in the narthex on Sunday mornings through March 8. Proceeds will benefit the youth summer trip fund and local missions.

### IMAGINE! WITH OUR MINISTER

This Sunday night, February 23, our children in Missions and Music will dialogue with Dr. Wright about the images of God found in the Bible, as well as in paintings, music, and in other cultures and religions. They’ll have a chance to ask questions about images that are difficult to understand, think of new ways to “see” God, and discuss other wonderings about their faith. After sharing with one another, the children will have a chance to design their own images of God for a special project to be used later during worship. We hope children in grades 1-5 will join us for a fun evening of learning and growing together!

## YOUTH NEWS

I am so proud of all of you who helped with the Valentine Banquet on Sunday night! Your helpfulness and enthusiasm made it a wonderful evening at Lakeside! 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. Youth helpers are needed to assist with Vacation Bible School on June 1-5. You can sign up by completing the youth volunteer form on the church website by April 30. We will have a regular schedule of activities on Sunday evening. Elizabeth

## 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.

## CHILDCARE HELPER NEEDED

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.

## MUSIC NOTES

As we prepare for the season of Lent, please save the following important dates. The Chancel Choir will sing for our Ash Wednesday service on February 26 and will have a brief rehearsal following the service. Lakeside Ringers will not rehearse on Ash Wednesday. The Cherub Choir will sing in worship on March 8 and the Alleluia Choir will sing on March 16. Both the Cherub and Alleluia Choirs will sing on Palm Sunday, April 5. The Lakeside Ringers will ring in worship on Maundy Thursday, April 9, and Easter Sunday, April 12. See you all in rehearsal as we prepare to give our best. Amy

## SUNDAY MORNING AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Leslie Paszek and Andrew Robillard  
 Ushers - Group II, Wayne Cotton, Captain  
 Acolyte - Landyn Adkins; Crucifer - Anna Adkins  
 Extended Session - Nancy Berry  
 Audio Booth Volunteer - Ricky Cobb

### LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2020 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$615,249

	Week	YTD
Anticipated Giving	\$11,832	\$82,822
Through February 16	\$8,271	\$68,777
Variance	-\$3,561	-\$14,045

### LAKESIDE AT WORSHIP

February 23, 2020 ♦ The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Lessons: II Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9

Sermon: "Epiphany in the Cloud"

Chancel Choir Anthems:

"Beautiful Savior" - Alwes

"Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" - arr. Scott

### LAKESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

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### CHURCH STAFF

Jody Wright  
 Senior Minister  
 Liz Broomell  
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 Susan Skinner  
 Senior Adult Director

Elizabeth Edwards  
 Associate Minister  
 Diana Kirkpatrick  
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 Linda Davis  
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## LAKESIDE CALENDAR

### Thursday, February 20

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

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

### Friday, February 21 - Saturday, February 22

Women's Retreat, Carol Taylor's Home

### Sunday, February 23

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, Education Building Foyer

11:00 a.m. Worship

5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir and Alleluia Choir

5:45 p.m. Supper for Youth and Children, Robbins Hall

6:15 p.m. Youth & Children's Activities

### Monday, February 24

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

### Tuesday, February 25

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

### Wednesday, February 26

10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study Group, Conference Room

5:30 p.m. Supper, Robbins Hall

6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service, Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, February 27

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

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

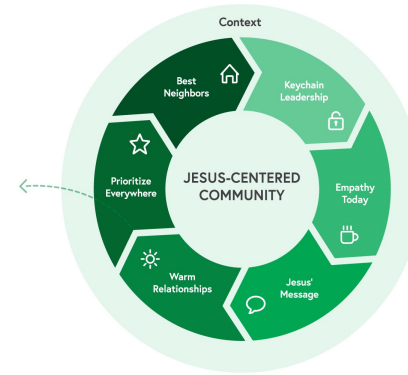
# ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE AND SUPPER February 26, 2020

Our Ash Wednesday service will take place in the sanctuary at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 26. We will celebrate the imposition of ashes and communion as we prepare for our Lenten journey.

A soup and sandwich supper will be offered prior to the service at 5:30 p.m. in Robbins Hall in the Kincheloe Building. The cost of the meal is \$5.00. Please complete the reservation form and return it to the church office, place it in the offering plate, call the church office, or visit the events registration page on our website to make reservations for the meal. All reservations are needed by noon on Tuesday, February 25. A nursery will be provided.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_



## GROWING YOUNG, GROWING TOGETHER LUNCHEON AND CONVERSATION

Our congregation has thrived for sixty-five years because we work together in everything we do. That kind of cooperation and commitment has never been more important than now as we consider our present ministry and look to the future. We want to know how can we best grow together and what we need to do to reach young people in our community. How can we connect with people who may not enter our doors but who are open to God's love?

These are some of the ideas we want to discuss when we get together for conversation on March 8. After worship, we will enjoy one of our delicious covered dish luncheons, then we will gather in small groups to talk about our church, our ministry, and our future. We want to hear your thoughts.

Please join us on March 8 for worship and then for lunch and conversation. You are asked to bring vegetable, fruit, salad, or dessert dishes. The church will provide fried chicken and drinks. Please complete the reservation form and return it to the church office, place it in the offering plate, call the church office, or visit the events registration page on our website to make reservations for the meal.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_