

The Link

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Worship at Lakeside

April 19, 2020 The Second Sunday of Easter
Lessons: I Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31
Sermon: "Have You Seen Jesus?"
Solo: "Safe within Your Arms" arr. Hayes
Rob Martin, soloist

Each week, our worship services are available on our website. Visit www.lakesidechurchrmt.org and look for a link on our homepage. Although we cannot be physically together, we can unite in spirit as we worship together.



THANKS FOR HELPING US CELEBRATE EASTER

Thank you to everyone who shared pictures with us to add to our Easter worship video. It was good to see you! If you have pictures that you did not send, please send them to us and we will add them to our website.

We are also grateful to Nancy Berry for providing palm branches for our Palm Sunday worship and a beautiful floral arrangement for our Easter worship. Many thanks to Rebecca Watkins for painting the beautiful sign above that greeted passersby on Easter morning.

WHAT ARE WE DOING?

We continue to follow the advice of health officials and elected leaders who have asked that we refrain from all gatherings and stay at home. We have reduced our office hours to 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. each day. This schedule allows us to continue to publish *The Link* and respond to other needs of the congregation.

We ask that you keep us informed of any needs you have or know about. Please also read *The Link* carefully for the information it contains. Look for special emails or Facebook posts. Also, visit our website where you will find plenty of information, including a recording of each week's worship.

We are beginning to hold some meetings and activities by Zoom gatherings. If you lead a committee or group and wish to find out how you can get together virtually, call the church office and we will help you through the process.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

The Gardens of Nashville, 1022 Eastern Avenue, Nashville, NC 27856

Ann Battle

Womack Army Medical Center, 2817 Reilly Road, Fort Bragg, NC 28310

JoAnne Messer (Diana Kirkpatrick's friend)

At Home:

Leona Brock (Leslie Paszek's mother) 345 Old Coach Road (04)

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

Margaret Carpenter, 3833 Westmoreland Drive (04)

Brody Cuthrell, 4412 Powell's Point Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23455

Sue Daughety, 6131 Downs Ridge Road, Whitakers, NC 27891

Meghan Davis, 1305 Sunset Drive, Greensboro, NC 27804

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

Lillian Flowers (Linda Hoyle's cousin who lost three family members recently),

2474 Jones Country Trail, Asheboro, NC 27205

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

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

Nancy Pridgen, 3731 Loblolly Drive (04)

Cody Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

Frank Rountree, 76 Mill Pond Road, Gatesville, NC 27938

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

Joe Stanton, PO Box 41, Nashville, NC 27856

Judy Wallace, 49 Mockingbird Lane (04)

Our Members-at-Home

John and Denise Cappiello, Brookridge Retirement Community, 1199 Hayes

Forest Dr., Winston-Salem, NC 27106, Room 534

Doris Booth, 206 Clifton Road (04)

We offer our sympathy to Ronald and Rhonda Cobb in the death of Ronald's mother, Mavis Cobb, on April 9.

We offer our sympathy to Kathy Manning in the death of her father, Roy Manning of Chillicothe, Ohio, on April 11.

"ZOOMING" IN WITH THE LAKESIDE LADIES' BOOK CLUB

What a fun evening our technically challenged ladies had for our first virtual book club meeting! This month we'll be reading *Mothers and Strangers*, edited by Samia Serageldin and Lee Smith. We'll meet again on Zoom on Tuesday, May 5, at 7:00 p.m. with Mary McAdams leading our discussion. If you'd like to join us please email Deborah (deborahwright@embarqmail.com) so we can add your email address to the Zoom invitation list. If we can do it, you can too!

YOUTH NEWS

Thanks to everyone who has created and shared yard signs. We have just a few blank signs left that we would like to share with some of our homebound members. If you would be willing to make an extra sign, let me know.

We have a fun new online game to try on Sunday evening beginning at 7:00 p.m. If you don't have a phone to which I can text the invite, make sure I have an email address you can access from a device with a touch screen. Watch your texts and email for more details. We will continue to look for ways to connect and share our faith while we cannot be together. Stay safe and well.

#BeTheChurch

We will continue to send resources for devotions and activities to our families each week. We would love to have your feedback about which activities are most meaningful and helpful for your family or other ideas for things we can include. This week's packet will include some ideas for gifts you can make at home to share with some of our members at home. Watch your email for more details.

SPRING STUDY GROUP

We are going to try a different format for our spring book study. We invite you to read along with us Kate Bowler's book, *Everything Happens For a Reason And Other Lies I've Loved*. We will "meet" via Zoom for a discussion about the book during the first week of May. Elizabeth will contact recent study group participants and others who are interested to schedule the date and time. If you have not participated in a study group in the last few years and would like to join us, please email the church office or Elizabeth by Sunday, April 19 to sign up.

MUSIC NOTES

I am working on putting together a virtual hymn sing and I would like to include some of your favorites or perhaps a hymn which has been particularly meaningful in helping you through this time of crisis. Email me your selection and why the hymn is important to you at ashortt1975@gmail.com. I will include as many hymns as possible along with some interesting stories and facts.

The Chancel Choir will connect and sing together through Zoom on Wednesday, April 15, at 7:00 p.m. Check your emails for music and instructions. I look forward to seeing your smiling faces.

Thank you, Chase Joyner, for sharing your gift of music with us for the online Maundy Thursday service.

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN		
2020 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$615,249 Week YTD		
Anticipated Giving	Week \$11,832	\$177,476
Through April 12	\$10,643	\$177,470
Variance	-\$1,189	-\$40,627

During this time when we cannot gather for worship, please mail or draft your offerings to the church. Your generosity is critical to ensure that our ministries continue under challenging circumstances.

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HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS

LAKESIDE BUDDIES

We have been working to form partnerships between one Lakeside family unit and another. These Lakeside Buddies are committing to check on and pray for one another during the weeks ahead and maybe make an occasional special delivery! We've paired thirty-eight family units with a buddy. If you'd like to be or have a buddy please contact Susan Skinner (813-6627 or sskinner8487@aol.com) or Deborah Wright (908-5391 or deborahwright@embarqmail.com).

THANK YOU BACKPACK BUDDIES VOLUNTEERS!

Thank you to our regular Backpack Buddies volunteers and others who have stepped up to help keep the program running for the past several weeks. Now more than ever, vulnerable families in our community need our help, and you all have responded to the challenges of changing schedules and plans with generosity.

If you are available to help as a volunteer or to make a financial contribution, please contact the church office.



SUPPORT OUR MINISTRIES

Although we cannot be together for worship, Bible study, and other activities, we continue to minister to our congregation and community in many ways. In order to fund those ministries and continue to care for our facilities, your financial support is as essential as ever. We encourage you to mail your offerings to the church, have your bank draft your donations, or visit our website where you can conveniently give - http://lakesidechurchrmt.org/give.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment and support!