

The Link

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FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATING LAKESIDE'S 68 YEARS OF MINISTRY

Join us this Sunday, June 4, as we celebrate the 68th anniversary of the founding of Lakeside. Ted Gossett will serve as our organist for the day. We will recognize our charter members, hold a brief conference following worship to approve the Pulpit Search Committee and hear a report from the Board of Finance, and enjoy a covered dish luncheon in Robbins Hall. Following the meal, we will enjoy a hymn sing, so come with your favorite hymns in mind. Please call or sign up to let us know you will join us. Bring vegetables, salads, fruit, or dessert dishes to add to the feast.

WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS?

A forum is planned for Sunday morning, June 11, at 9:45 in the Lecture Room. This gathering is intended to offer you an opportunity to share your thoughts with the Pastor Search Committee about their upcoming work. What are the qualities you expect in our next Senior Minister? What strengths do you hope this person will have? What are priorities you think he or she will need to address?

Candidates for this position will be looking as closely at us as we will at them. What is it about Lakeside a candidate will find attractive? It is important we all contribute to making the search process comprehensive and thoughtful. That is why we need your input. Please join us for this time of conversation. We want to hear your thoughts.

RIPE FOR REVIVAL MOBILE MARKET

This year's Food Truck Party Community VBS is partnering with the Ripe For Revival Mobile Market to help "Revive Communities Through Food." Ripe Revival will spend Thursday morning of VBS with the children teaching them about their ministry of connecting local farmers with our community, especially people who are food insecure. On Friday, June 16, the partner VBS churches will sponsor the pay-as-you-can market from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m. at 1920 Sunset Avenue (the former location of Riverside Animal Hospital). We encourage you to visit the Mobile Market during these hours to shop for fresh, local produce and learn more about this innovative ministry.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

The Lodge at Rocky Mount, 3322 Village Road, Rocky Mount, NC 27804

Doris Booth, Room 236 * David Ozment, Room 245

Margaret Carpenter, Room 330

Emerald Health & Rehab Ctr, 54 Red Mulberry Way, Lillington, NC 27546

Robert Bridgers (Marie Bridgers' brother-in-law)

Vidant Medical Center, 2100 Stantonsburg Road, Greenville, NC 27835

Joyce Dickens, ICU

At Home:

Denise Bennett, 9773 Groffs Mill Drive #404, Owings Mills, MD 21117

Chuck Daniel (Brenda and Dennis Culpepper's nephew)

Michele Costa Foster, 105 Gloucester Court (03)

Bill Jones (Dorrie Wright's brother), 2957 Tillinghast Trail, Raleigh, NC 27613

David Parker, 3529 Mansfield Drive (03)

Cody Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

Joe Stanton, PO Box 41, Nashville, NC 27856

Joe Warner, 137 Steeplechase Road (04)

Bill Watts, 616 Nichole Drive (03)

Jim Wiggs, 1441 Rock Creek Drive (04)

Our Members-at-Home

Martha Bulluck, Spring Arbor, 1251 South Winstead Avenue (03), Room 205 Sallie Ray Wilkerson, Stoneridge, 105 Convention Dr., Apt. 434, Cary, NC 27511 Elwood Berry, Spring Arbor, 1251 South Winstead Avenue (03), Room 206

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of Diggs Wimberley who died on May 29. Diggs was a friend to Lakeside and to many of our members.

HELP NEEDED FOR SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Plans are underway for many of our upcoming summer activities, and your help is needed to make them happen!

We are in need of adult volunteers for Gatekeepers Workcamp, July 9-14, for work crews, the Sunday night cookout, refreshments deliveries, and serving lunches. If you are available to help, please contact Elizabeth as soon as possible. Registrations for crew members are due by June 1.

Volunteers are needed for VBS set-up and decorating on June 11 beginning at 2:00 p.m. Donations of food items are needed for both Vacation Bible School and the Gatekeepers Cookout. If you are willing to help, please contact the church office for a complete list of items needed.

AT THE TABLE: A SUMMER OF PSALMS

This fall our At the Table group will begin a new study combining faith and the arts which focuses on the psalms. We invite all who might be interested in joining us to spend time over the summer months reading, reflecting on, and praying with the book of Psalms. When we meet again in September, we will use 150: Finding Your Story in the Psalms by Kevin Adams and Journalling the Psalms: A Guide for Reflection & Prayer by Paula Gooder to deepen our understanding of God and ourselves.

YOUTH NEWS

Registration forms for Gatekeepers Workcamp are due no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 1. Youth registrations cannot be received after this deadline. Participants in the upcoming mission trip to New York will meet for orientation on June 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. At least one parent from each family should plan to join us at 7:30 p.m.

We are working on our summer acolyte schedule. Please respond to the text that went out earlier this week to let us know which Sundays this summer you will be available. Have a great summer, everyone! I hope to see you whenever you are in town.

GATEKEEPERS ADULT VOLUNTEERS UPCOMING MEETING

All adult volunteers for Gatekeepers Workcamp, mark your calendars to meet on Tuesday, June 20, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

MUSIC NOTES

The final choir rehearsal of the season is this evening! Chancel choir, please check your emails for details regarding our end-of-season party at the Barker's on Saturday afternoon. If you've not done so already, please also send your summer availability updates via email and on the calendar in the choir room.

Jake

THIS SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Trevor Lane and Kathy Manning Ushers - Group III - Alicia Hamrick, Captain Acolyte - Daniel Edwards

Worship is live on our homepage and YouTube channel at 11:00 a.m., but we love having you with us in the sanctuary!

June 4, 2023 ***** Founders Day

Lessons: Genesis 1:1-2, 4a; Matthew 28:16-20 Sermon: "It's Not Over Yet"

Anthems:

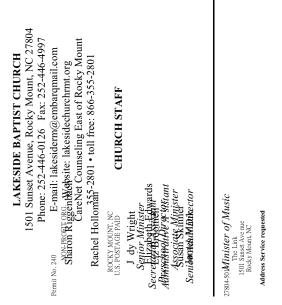
"A Hymn of Joy We Sing" - Schumann "God the Holy Trinity" - Halls "O God Beyond All Praising" - arr. Proulx

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2023 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$561,922

	Week	YTD	2022
Anticipated Giving	\$10,806	\$237,736	\$252,594
Through May 28	\$7,649	\$177,148	\$198,428
Variance	-\$3,157	-\$60,588	-\$54,166

Are you doing your part to help fund our ministry?



LAKESIDE CALENDAR

Wednesday, May 31

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, June 4

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

10:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

11:00 a.m. Worship and Called Congregational Conference

12:15 p.m. Founders Day Covered Dish Luncheon & Hymn Sing, Robbins Hall

Tuesday, June 6

12:00 p.m. Al-Anon, Conference Room

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

Our Discussion Class is using the PBS series, *Ear to the Common Ground*, to guide our conversations on a variety of current critical issues. Each episode features a musical artist and a diverse cross-section of their fans. The participants share a meal while discussing a given topic, with only one rule: to listen and speak with compassion. We spend the first 20 minutes listening to the conversation and the remaining 30 minutes "joining in" the conversation ourselves. On June 4 we will consider Gun Rights and Gun Control. The group meets in the Lecture Room of the Education Building at 9:45 a.m. Join us, won't you?

REMINDER

Many thanks to everyone who has contributed to our Deferred Maintenance Reserve in support of much needed repairs and improvements to our facilities. So far we have received \$18,100 toward our goal of \$25,000. Your participation in this effort is encouraged. Thank you for your continued support.