

## OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

### At Home

**Keith Abbott**, 3413 Brookview Road (04)

**Jim Ashby**, 341 Old Coach Rd (04)

**Dave Corn**, 3611 Browning Place, Raleigh, NC 27609

**Della and Lela Edwards**, 211 River Bank Lane, Greenville, NC 27834

**Michelle Costa Foster**, 105 Gloucester Court (03)

**Robert Kincheloe**, 3704 Hawthorne Road (04)

**Bill Jones** (Dorrie Wright's brother)

**Jim Martin**, 116 Cobblestone Court (04)

**C.B. Morris**, 1930 Northern Boulevard (04)

**Howard Phykitt**, 106 Whispering Pines Drive (04)

**Anthony Severini** (Molly and Theo Pitt's neighbor)

**Jean Smith**, The Landings, 1365 River Drive (04)

**Marian Underwood** (William Underwood's mother)

**Jill Ward**, 3833 Westmoreland Drive (04)

**William Ward**, 3833 Westmoreland Drive (04)

**Jo Webb**, 209 Southern Boulevard (04)

### Our Members-at-Home

**Elwood Berry**, Spring Arbor, 1251 South Winstead Avenue (03), Room 206

**Ann Bishop**, 2600 Croasdaile Farm Parkway, Apt. S210, Durham, NC 27705

**Chuck Daniel** (Brenda and Dennis Culpepper's nephew)

**Sallie Ray Wilkerson**, Stoneridge, 105 Convention Dr Apt. 434, Cary, 27511

We offer our sympathy to Duane Williams and his family in the death of his brother, John Williams, on July 14.

## MEAL TRAIN FOR THE WARD FAMILY

Both Jill and William Ward have had recent surgeries, and William remains in the hospital being treated for a serious infection. We would like to help them during this difficult time by providing some meals for their family. You can sign up at [www.mealtrain.com/trains/gv8zw3](http://www.mealtrain.com/trains/gv8zw3) or by contacting the church office. Please note the allergy restrictions.

## PRAYING THE PSALMS IN WORSHIP

Our three-week sermon series, "Help, Thanks, Wow," inspired by Anne Lamott's book of the same title, begins this Sunday. We will learn to pray the psalms together in these weeks, as we hear these simple prayers: "Help, Thanks, Wow," repeated in the Bible's prayer book. For Week One, we will reflect on the Psalms of Lament as we learn how to pray: Help.

Each week, you will be invited to write your own psalm during the affirmation of faith, which can guide your prayer life during the week to come. You will also be invited to share your prayers / psalms with the wider congregation by sending your prayer to the church office.

## YOUTH NEWS

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make this year's Gatekeepers Workcamp a great success! A complete list of volunteers and sponsors can be found on the insert in this edition of *The Link* and on the Gatekeepers page of the website where you can also find a link to photos from the week. Elizabeth

## MUSIC NOTES

Mark your calendars! On Sunday, August 24, our Choral Scholars will be presenting a recital of solo and small ensemble music in the Lakeside Sanctuary. This evening of music will seek to raise funds for the Gossett-Biggs Music Fund, which supports our Choral Scholars program and guest musicians. More information will be coming out soon, but mark your calendars now! Jake

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

Rev. Blythe Taylor, daughter of Chuck and Carol Taylor, is currently pursuing a Doctor of Spirituality degree at Claremont School of Theology. As her project, she is exploring the creation of a tea house and café that speaks to the principles of compassion, justice, and belonging. She is in need of volunteers to complete a survey to assist in her research. By scanning the QR code, you can find the survey and more details. She would be grateful for your participation in this survey.



## THIS SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeter – Alan Clements, Nancy Berry  
Ushers - Bill Marshburn, Dick Berry, and Brenda Hurdle

### *July 20, 2025 ❖ The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

Lessons: Psalm 121; Psalm 86

Sermon: "Help"

Anthems: "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" – Traditional  
"Hear Me When I Call" – Shepherd

## LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2025 Missions and Ministry Budget \$588,144

	Week	YTD	2024
Anticipated Giving	\$11,310	\$316,693	\$302,107
Through July 13	\$9,258	\$265,788	\$235,272
Variance	-\$2,052	-\$50,905	-\$66,835

*Lakeside's ministries never go on vacation. Remember to keep your giving up-to-date if you are away during the summer months.*

## SHAWLS FOR WORSHIP

We have received requests to provide more shawls or wraps for use during the worship hour. If you have shawls, wraps, or large scarves you no longer need and would like to donate, please drop them off at the church office.



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## LAKESIDE CALENDAR

### Sunday, July 20

9:45 a.m. Growing Together Groups, Education Building  
10:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
10:30 a.m. Youth Depart for New York Mission Trip  
11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

### July 20 – 26 Youth Mission Trip to NYC

### Tuesday, July 22

1:30 – 6:00 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive, Robbins Hall

*Keep up with all that's happening at Lakeside with the calendar on the website or the downloadable, printable monthly calendar that can be sent to you by email.*

### **SUMMER COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE: "FEED MY SHEEP"**

Join us for a gathering of Rocky Mount churches for community worship on Sunday, July 27 at 6:00 p.m. at New Morning Star Church of Christ (225 S. Glendale Drive). Rev. Mary Harris Todd, Pastor of Morton Presbyterian Church will preach. We will receive an offering to support the work of Meals on Wheels.

### **BIG APPLE, HERE WE COME!**

On Sunday, eight of our youth and two chaperones will board a train for New York! We are looking forward to working with our friends at Fresh Youth Initiatives once again, as we assist with one of their summer day camps for children each day and spend our evenings exploring the Big Apple. We will also have a chance to meet artist Laura James who painted the Stations of the Cross that were displayed in our sanctuary throughout Lent.

We are grateful to our Lakeside Family for supporting our fundraising efforts to make this trip possible and look forward to sharing our adventures with you at a fellowship event this fall. Please pray for us as we travel and work with our friends at FYI to serve the children of Washington Heights. Elizabeth

### **WE'RE HIRING!**

Lakeside is looking for a part-time Minister to Children who will expand and lead our ministries to children, birth through fifth grade, and their families. We are grateful for the generous initial donation from Don & Martha Bulluck and Barbara Stevens, establishing the *Corbi Bulluck Children's Legacy Endowment*, which will financially support this new position.

If you know of someone in our congregation or community, or a seminary or college student, who loves working with children and has a heart for faith formation, have them visit our website or contact the church office for a job description and information about applying.

### **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

Our next Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday, July 22, from 1:30 to 6:00 p.m. in Robbins Hall. Sign up to give the gift of life by scanning the QR code or contacting the church office.



### **TOPNOTCHERS NEWS**

Special thanks to Kathy Manning for organizing Continue the Communion at Mario's while I was away. The photos proved another good time was had by all! Our next Continue the Communion Lunch will be at Barley and Burger, 113 Gateway Blvd. on August 3. Call the church office to sign up. We would love to have you join us!

The Senior Adult Committee will meet on July 23 at 11:30 a.m. in Godwin Library to prepare for the upcoming year. If you have suggestions for outings or activities or would like to be a Topnotcher volunteer, please let me know. Sue



*Gatekeepers Workcamp 2025*

**GATEKEEPERS WORKCAMP**  
***WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER***  
*Ecclesiastes 4:9-10*  
**July 6-11, 2025**

Gatekeepers Workcamp began at Lakeside Baptist Church in 1992 as a missions partnership of Rocky Mount churches. In this, the 34<sup>th</sup> year of Gatekeepers Workcamp, we had about 55 youth and 22 adults from 12 area churches. Special thanks to those from the Lakeside family who invested so much of themselves at our work sites throughout the week: Andy Barker, Dick Berry, Bo Browder, Catherine Cobb, Wayne Cotton, Millie Crumley, Sammie Crumley, Cindy Davis, Daniel Edwards, Isabella Haire, Barnes Haley, Gus Haley, Dan Herring, Brenda Hurdle, Chase Joyner, Mary Douglas Robillard, Will Robillard, Riley Stussie, Chuck Taylor, William Underwood, Ramsey Ward, Andrew Williams, Abigail Yamba, and Juliet Yamba.

Many other people also helped to make Gatekeepers run smoothly. Thanks to our photographer, Libby Grammer; our refreshment coordinators, Hope Reese, Theo Pitt, Dennis Culpepper, and Brenda Culpepper; our lunch coordinator, Carol Barker; and our cookout coordinators, Ginger Maynard and Teresa Herring. Others who also made donations of food or supplies or volunteered their time are: Angela Allen, Joan Ashby, Pat Astin, Keith Ballentine, Kate Barnes, Nancy Berry, Trey Bulluck, Janet Carter, Chick Conley, Edna Corn, Michele Harold, Beth Murphy, Nancy Ellis, Bruce Harris, Kathy Hutcheson, Elva Hux, Vel Johnson, Lori Joyner, Phillip Joyner, Debra Kincheloe, Trevor Lane, Will Lucas, Sheila Martin, Mary McAdams, Denise O'Geary, Molly Pitt, Don Raper, Genie Raper, Andrew Robillard, Carrie Roney, Susan Skinner. Many thanks also to all of our other Lakeside members and friends who made donations or donated their time.

Thank you to the Lakeside staff for all of your extra time and effort preparing for Gatekeepers - Libby Grammer, Liz Broomell, Cindy Davis, and Zack Ross. Thank you, also, to those who made contributions to the Workcamp Scholarship Fund. It would be impossible for us to do this ministry each year without the support of many community partners: Daughtridge Gas & Oil/Fuel Doc & Oasis Stores (with special thanks to Southco Distributing Company, COCA-COLA Consolidated, FRITO-LAY Inc., PEPSI Bottling Ventures LLC, Carolina Ice/Chilly Water, Coastal Beverage Company Inc., Jesse Jones, Long Beverage Co., and Carolina Eagle Distributing), Don Bulluck Chevrolet, Boddie-Noell Enterprises, Jim Dickens Printing, Pamela Bailey Photography, Lowe's Home Improvement Warehouse, Top Dog Waste Solutions, Pizza Inn, Chick-Fil-A, Subway at Westridge Shopping Center, Chew & Chat, Rocky Mount Academy, and Customized Tree Service.