

The Link

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SAVE THE DATE

Our fall schedule of activities resumes on Sunday, September 10. We hope you will make plans to join us for:

Pastries & Fellowship - 9:30 a.m. - Sugg Foyer

Growing Together Groups - 9:45 a.m. - Education Building

Worship - 11:00 a.m. - Sanctuary

Welcome Back Fellowship - 12:00 noon - Lehman Courtyard

Family Fun Night for Youth & Children's Families 5:00 p.m. - Robbins Hall



WELCOME HOUSE MINISTRY

This week, a team of adults and youth from Lakeside will be helping a refugee family from Congo to move into their new home. Our partnership with the Welcome House Network, through the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina, provides opportunities for us to extend hospitality to people who are relocating to our area after fleeing their war-torn homelands and to offer the love of Christ as they establish a new life. We are looking at the possibility of establishing a Welcome House Ministry Team to help with opportunities for offering hospitality to new neighbors. If you are interested in serving, please contact the church office for more information.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

At Home:

Pat Astin, 121 Candlewood Road (04)

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

Robert Bose, 103 Carolyn Court, Hertford, NC 27944

Chuck Daniel (Brenda and Dennis Culpepper's nephew)

Stan Ford, 1103 Belvins Trace Drive, Durham, NC 27703

Michele Costa Foster, 105 Gloucester Court (03)

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

Jim Martin, 116 Cobblestone Court (04)

David Pitt, 2724 Layden Street, Raleigh, NC 27603

Jim Pittman, 333 Iron Horse Road (04)

Brandon Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

Cody Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

Jane Snow, 213 Cobblestone Court (04)

Joe Stanton, PO Box 41, Nashville, NC 27856

Joe Warner, 137 Steeplechase Road (04)

Bill Watts, 616 Nichole Lane (03)

Robert Woods, 115 Sunshine Lane (01)

Our Members-at-Home

Doris Booth, The Lodge at Rocky Mount, 3322 Village Road, Room 305 (04)

Ethel Hines, 125 Cobblestone Court (04)

Joyce Siler, 1575 John Knox Drive PB-206, Colfax, NC 27235

J.N. Willcox, c/o The Landings of Lake Gaston, Room 111,

206 N. Mosby Avenue, Littleton, NC 27850

LAKESIDE LADIES' BOOK CLUB

Plan to join us next on Tuesday, September 5, at 6:00 p.m. at 300 Wildwood Avenue. We will enjoy a taco salad supper while discussing *Open Secrets: A Memoir of Faith and Discovery* by Richard Lischer. We will also talk about upcoming book recommendations. Meanwhile, enjoy a summer of good reading.

BACKPACK BUDDIES SPONSORS

Our Backpack Buddies ministry to Benvenue Elementary School will resume in early September. We are in need of sponsors for the purchase of food to fill the bags. You can sponsor a child for \$35 per month (\$315 for the school year). Donations in any amount are appreciated and will help us to continue to provide weekend meals for as many children as possible. We are in need of volunteers who can help once per month or on an occasional basis as a substitute. Please contact the church office for more information.

YOUTH NEWS

All youth and children, ages 3 through 12th grade, and their parents are invited to kick off the fall season with us on Sunday, September 10, at 5:00 p.m. in Robbins Hall for a Family Fun Night. We'll enjoy dinner and a fun family activity, make new friends, and learn about all the exciting activities we have planned for the coming year. Friends are welcome to join us. Please sign up by Wednesday, September 6, by calling the church office or through the Event Registration page on the website.

We are making plans for a fall Discipleship Class for our 5th through 8th graders. If you have not already responded to the earlier notice or did not receive one, please let us know as soon as possible if you are interested in participating. Enjoy your last few days of summer vacation!

MUSIC NOTES

The Chancel Choir will hold its annual retreat on Saturday, September 9, beginning at noon. Wednesday evening rehearsals for Chancel Choir and Handbells will resume on September 13. If you have interest in joining one or both ensembles, please reach out!

This Friday at 7:00 p.m. is the 11th annual "Music for Hope" at First Christian Church in Wilson. This concert features many musicians from the area and proceeds go toward Hope Station, which provides food and shelter assistance to the Wilson community.

On Sunday, we welcome Todd Johnson back as our guest organist. What a gift to have so many talented musicians leading us in worship.

THIS SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Trevor Lane and Kathy Manning Ushers - Group II - Wayne Cotton, Captain

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

August 27, 2023 * The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Lessons: Exodus 1:8-2:10; Matthew 16:13-20 Sermon: "Pulled from the Water"

Anthems:

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing" - harm. Evans "Christ, We Do All Adore Thee" - Dubois "Christ Is Our Cornerstone" - Thorne

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2023 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$561,922

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	Week	YTD	2022
Anticipated Giving	\$10,806	\$367,410	\$390,372
Through August 20	\$8,240	\$299,312	\$287,459
Variance	-\$2,566	-\$68,098	-\$102,913

Our ministry is a responsibility that all of us share. Are you doing your part to help fund our ministry?

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LAKESIDE CALENDAR

Sunday, August 27

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

10:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

11:00 a.m. Worship

GRACE-HAYWORTH CLASS

The Grace-Hayworth Bible Class meets each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Education Building. Using the Connections Lectionary-Based Bible Study as a resource, our teachers alternate in leading study and discussions each Sunday. We invite you to join us for both fellowship and growing our faith.

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.