

## OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

### UNC-Nash, 2460 Curtis Ellis Drive (04)

**Jean Smith**, Room 406

### At Home

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

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

**Janice Bobbitt** (Chuck Taylor's sister), 4204 Whitehurst Dr, Wilmington 28409

**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)

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

**Billie Stallings**, 404 Wildwood Avenue (03)

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

### Our Members-at-Home

**Margaret Harper**, Cottage #5209-101, Magnolia Glen, 5301 Creedmoor Road, Raleigh, NC 27612

**Cody Richardson**, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

## DOVE NOTES

Dove Notes, Lakeside's ministry to send notes and cards to our homebound members and others in need of encouragement, will meet on Wednesday, September 3, at 11:15 a.m., in Godwin Library. Contact Sue Bulluck or Joan Ashby for more information.

## FURNITURE NEEDS – CAN YOU HELP?

The local migrant ministry with which we partner needs furniture and linens for a family that is new to our area. We are also looking for two furniture pieces for use at church: A set of shelves up to 26 inches wide and up to 48 inches tall in a medium wood tone and a dark wood console table up to 48 inches long and 36 inches tall (drawers would be a bonus). If you can help, contact the church office.

## FALL STUDY GROUP

Our next book study will begin September 23 and 24, with a five-week study of Richard Rohr's book *The Tears of Things: Prophetic Wisdom For an Age of Outrage*. The book explores how the words of the Hebrew prophets can help us navigate our challenging times. Choose from a Tuesday group that will meet by Zoom at 7:00 p.m. or a Wednesday group that will meet in-person at 10:00 a.m. Please purchase your own book. Please sign up through the church office or website and indicate which group you prefer.

## YOUTH NEWS

We will be ordering youth group t-shirts with this year's theme logo for each youth in grades 6-12. If anyone in the congregation would like to order a shirt to show your support for our youth, the cost is \$15 for adult sizes and \$12 for youth sizes. Orders are needed ASAP. We're looking forward to seeing all our youth and children's families for the Fall Kick-Off on September 7 and can't wait to get a great year of fun, learning, and ministry underway!

Elizabeth

## MUSIC NOTES

Thank you to all who came out for our first Choral Scholars recital on Sunday! We had a great turnout and are already looking forward to the next one. We are greatly appreciative of your support of this ministry. We are two weeks away from the start of Chancel Choir rehearsals, and three weeks from Lakeside Ringers rehearsals beginning for the fall. Both groups are open to singers and ringers of all experience levels, and we invite you to join us. Please reach out to one of the music staff if you would like more information!

Jake

## TOPNOTCHERS NEWS

Mark your calendars: Our next Continue the Communion lunch will be held at Sal's Pizza (2820 Sunset Avenue) after our Kickoff Sunday social at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 7.

Sue

## CHILDREN'S VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of adult volunteers to assist with Sunday night activities for our children and as we resume Children's Church on Sunday mornings this fall. If you can help, please contact the church office.

## THIS SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeter – Jennifer Cobb and Matt Paszek

Ushers – Bill Bulluck, Keith Ballentine, and Carol Barker

Acolyte – Will Robillard

### *August 31, 2025 ❖ The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost*

Lessons: Proverbs 25:6-7; Luke 14:1,7-14

Sermon: "The Good Chair"

Anthems: "When the Church of Jesus" – Vaughan Williams

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" – traditional

## LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2025 Missions and Ministry Budget \$588,144

	Week	YTD	2024
Anticipated Giving	\$11,310	\$384,556	\$366,844
Through August 24	\$5,975	\$315,647	\$302,443
Variance	-\$5,335	-\$68,909	-\$64,401

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

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## LAKESIDE CALENDAR

### Sunday, August 31

9:45 a.m. Growing Together Groups, Education Building  
 10:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
 11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

### Monday, September 1

Office Closed for Labor Day

### Tuesday, September 2

9:30 a.m. Englewood Garden Club, Lecture Room

### Wednesday, September 3

7:30 a.m. Soul Space, Sanctuary  
 11:15 a.m. Dove Notes, Godwin Library

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

## NEEDLES & PRAYERS

Our Prayer Shawl ministry, Needles & Prayers, begins Thursday, September 4, at 10:00 a.m., in the Parlor, to knit or crochet prayer shawls and other items for the sick and bereaved, and for anyone in need of prayer. Contact Carol Taylor for more information.



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## FIND YOUR PLACE TO BELONG AT LAKESIDE GROWING TOGETHER SMALL GROUPS

Lakeside has a wide range of small groups to help you find your place to learn and grow in faith, serve, develop your gifts, and connect with others. As we approach a new fall season, we hope every person in the Lakeside family will explore how you can find a place to belong through our small group ministry. A complete list of Growing Together Small Groups and descriptions is available on the Get Involved page of the website and was included in the Order of Worship on Sunday.

## BEGINNING SOON: *GRANDFRIENDS!*

We have a new partnership between Lakeside Preschool and our Topnotchers Ministry: Grandfriends! Our senior adults are invited to make intergenerational connections with the Lakeside Preschool children, serving as a class Grandfriend once a week for eight weeks on Wednesday mornings, from September 17 to November 5. If you are interested in participating in this new ministry, please contact Sue or Elizabeth.

## LAKESIDE LADIES BOOK CLUB

The Lakeside Ladies Book Club will resume on Tuesday, September 9, at 5:00 p.m., at the home of Marion Weathers (1421 Country Club Road). Denise O'Geary will facilitate a discussion of *Winter Garden* by Kristen Hannah. The group meets on the first Tuesday of each month. If you are interested in joining the book club, email Ginny Etheridge at [ginnyetheridge@gmail.com](mailto:ginnyetheridge@gmail.com).

## AT THE TABLE

Join us on September 10 *At The Table*. Our study will be guided by Debie Thomas' book *Into the Mess & Other Jesus Stories: Reflections on the Life of Christ*. Mary Catherine Harris and Carol Taylor will lead the group, which will meet on the second Wednesday of each month from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Benvenue Country Club. Please order your own book. Participants have the option to stay for lunch from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. Contact Sammie Crumley or the church office for more information.

## LAKESIDE COFFEEHOUSE WRITERS

Our writers' group, the Lakeside Coffeehouse Writers, begins Tuesday, September 16, at 10:00 a.m., to explore ideas, share stories, and offer suggestions on writing.