

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

The Lodge at Rocky Mount, 3322 Village Road (04)

Jean Smith

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

Martha Bulluck, Spring Arbor, 1251 South Winstead Avenue (03), Room 208

John Capiello, Brookridge Retirement Community, 1199 Hayes Forest Dr., Winston-Salem, NC 27106, Room 534

Daisy Howell, Landings of Rocky Mount Mills, 1365 River Drive, Room 512 (04)

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 a Tuesday group that will meet by Zoom at 7:00 p.m. or a Wednesday group that will meet in-person at 10:30 a.m. **Note the change in time for the Wednesday group.** Please purchase your own book and sign up through the church office or website.

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.

YOUTH NEWS

I'm looking forward to having everyone back together this Sunday evening as we get the new fall season underway! All our youth and children's families are encouraged to come at 5:00 p.m. to help us welcome Lisa Meadows to Lakeside, enjoy hot dogs and ice cream sundaes, and receive information about upcoming events. Don't miss this special time of fun and fellowship! Elizabeth

MUSIC NOTES

The Lakeside Music Ministry still has a place for you! The Chancel Choir and Lakeside Ringers are both great opportunities to fellowship with our church family and serve as part of worship on Sundays. Chancel Choir will begin rehearsals next week on September 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the choir room, and Lakeside Ringers will begin rehearsals the following week, September 17, at 6:00 p.m. If you have any interest, we would love to talk with you! Jake

TOPNOTCHERS NEWS

Join us Sunday for Continue the Communion at Sal's Pizza, 2820 Sunset Avenue, after the Fall Kickoff reception this Sunday! Also, our new ministry, *Grandfriends*, will begin September 17, and we still need volunteers! Grandfriends will assist with a craft, activity, or story time in one of our preschool classes each Wednesday morning September 17 to November 5. You will not be responsible for planning or changing diapers. This is just fun with our preschool friends! Let Elizabeth or me know if you'd like to join us. Sue

THIS SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeter – Katie Hand and Don Raper

Ushers – Jerry Hamrick, Ronnie Tripp, and Brenda Hurdle

Acolyte – Madi Stinson

September 7, 2025 ♦ The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Lessons: Genesis 6:9-22; 7:24; 8:14-19; Genesis 9:8-17; 1 Peter 3:18-22

Sermon: "Bible Stories for Grownups: Noah and the Ark"

Anthems: "Become to Us the Living Bread" – Schones Geistliches Gesangbuch

"Open the Window" – arr. Althouse

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2025 Missions and Ministry Budget \$588,144

	Week	YTD	2024
Anticipated Giving	\$11,310	\$395,866	\$377,634
Through August 31	\$8,171	\$323,818	\$309,415
Variance	-\$3,139	-\$72,048	-\$68,219

*Thank you for your generosity as we kick off our fall season together!
Your gifts make Lakeside's many ministries possible.*

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WELCOME BACK SUNDAY!

This Sunday, September 7, we are excited to welcome you back to our fall programming! We will hold a special reception following worship at 12:00 noon in the Lehman Courtyard, and then at 5:00 p.m. the entire church is invited to a Fall Kickoff dinner with our families of youth and children in Robbins Hall, where we will formally welcome our new Minister to Children, Lisa Meadows!

Lisa comes highly recommended from our Personnel Committee and her references. She is a Middle School English teacher at Rocky Mount Academy and has served as a leader in our community VBS and Gatekeepers Workcamp. Lisa has told us she is excited to grow her skills in faith development. As she serves among us, she will be paired with a seasoned children's minister, who will serve as her mentor. Lisa is already well-known to many of you as a native of Rocky Mount who is invested in our community already. Lisa has one daughter, Sadie, who is a Senior at Rocky Mount Academy. We hope you'll join us in welcoming Lisa to our Lakeside family Sunday evening!

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.

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.

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.

LAKESIDE CALENDAR

Thursday, September 4

10:00 a.m. Needles and Prayers, Parlor

Sunday, September 7

9:45 a.m. Growing Together Groups, Education Building
 10:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
 11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary
 12:00 p.m. Reception, Lehman Courtyard
 12:30 p.m. Continue the Communion, Sal's Pizza
 5:00 p.m. Fall Kickoff, Robbins Hall

Tuesday, September 9

5:00 p.m. Lakeside Ladies Book Club, 1421 Country Club Road
 5:30 p.m. Personnel Committee, Conference Room

Wednesday, September 10

7:30 a.m. Soul Space, Sanctuary
 10:30 a.m. At the Table, Benvenue Country Club
 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite

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.