



The Link

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ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE

Following worship this Sunday, November 17, we will hold our annual conference for the purpose of approving our Nominating Committee Report, the Proposed 2020 Ministry Plan, and electing five deacons to serve us for the next three years. Brochures containing information about these three items were mailed with last week's edition of *The Link* and a copy is available online. These are critical matters for our ongoing ministry. Please be present on Sunday to express your support of our shared ministry.

GROWING YOUNG, GROWING TOGETHER ASSESSMENT

Many thanks to everyone who completed the church assessment. Ninety-four people participated and the Growing Young Team is studying the results and will provide updates about what this study means for us. We plan to hold a series of conversations to give you an opportunity to offer your thoughts and ideas about our future ministry.

PROPERTY MATTERS

For two years, we engaged in a thorough study of the HVAC systems in the Kincheloe Building, knowing that the units for the kitchen and Robbins Hall needed to be replaced. Over the past two months, the ductwork was cleaned and sealed and new units installed. We are also working with the contractor to remedy the problem of paint peeling from the ceiling.

In addition, we are investigating the source of water which occasionally seeps into the kitchen. We are also addressing gutters on the front of the Education Building which have come loose over time and are leaking.

With the size of our campus and the number of buildings we have, there are always maintenance issues to be addressed. Major repairs such as mentioned above are paid for from our Deferred Maintenance Fund. This fund is replenished through our Ministry Plan, but reductions in our annual budgets have meant that less money has been added to this fund. Our regular and generous giving to Lakeside enables us to maintain our property. We are fortunate to have the building resources that are ours. Please continue to support our Ministry Plan so that our buildings are always available for our ministries.

CELEBRATING THE GIFT OF THE KNOWN

In order to publish an Advent devotional booklet, we need your devotions. Please write a devotion about a meaningful tradition or memory that is yours. You may include a verse or passage of scripture that relates to your story and/or a prayer that reflects your thoughts about the tradition today. Please submit your devotion to the church office as soon as possible. We prefer an email to lakesiderm@embarqmail.com, but a printed copy will be fine. The devotions will be compiled and printed in a booklet which will be available on December 1.

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

Ed Astin, Room 329

At Home:

Hazel Ayscue, 5031 Brassfield Drive (03)

Clayton Brown (Doris Booth's brother), 2609 Taylor Rd., Chesapeake, VA 23321

Anne Crane, 5105 Corner Rock Drive, Rolesville, NC 27571

Brody Cuthrell (Sue Bulluck's cousin), 4412 Powell's Point Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23455

Sue Daughety, 133-D Mobile Drive, Atlantic Beach, NC 28512

Meaghan Davis (extended family of Helen Laughery), 1305 Sunset Drive, Greensboro, NC 27804

Joyce Dickens, 128 Timberlane Road (04)

Scott Farber (Patty Schirman's brother), 11218 S. Utah, Davenport, Iowa 52802

Agness Fore (J.N. Willcox's sister-in-law), 177 Forest View Rd., Surgoinsville, TN

Terry Martin, 300 Wildwood Avenue (03)

Erin McAuliffe, 34 Winders Creek (04)

David Ozment (Debbie and Tim Ozment's son), 1249 Green Tee Lane (04)

Marie Price, 3786 Loblolly Drive (04)

Cody Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

Michael Riley (Brenda Culpepper's son)

Libba Robbins, 821 Swan Road, Nashville, NC 27856

Tim Sawyer, 2409 Winstead Road (04)

Brian Spencer (Weathers' son-in-law) 813 Nuttree Place, Raleigh, NC 27606

Joe Stanton, PO Box 41, Nashville, NC 27856

J.N. Willcox, 2816 Wellington Drive (03)

Our Members-at-Home

Doris Booth, 206 Clifton Road (04)

Dozia Collins, 2552 North Old Carriage Road (04)

Sherry Johnson, c/o Brighton Gardens, 3101 Duraleigh Rd, Rm 165, Raleigh, NC 27612

Martha Tuttle, Morningside of Rock Hill, 1830 W. Main St., Rock Hill, SC 29732

We offer our sympathy and prayers to Michele Harrold and her family in the death of her former husband and best friend, Dr. Jim Harrold, on November 9.

LAKESIDE LADIES BOOK CLUB

This month our group will be reading favorite Christmas stories as we prepare for the season of Advent. While we think about cherished family traditions, we'll read *A Christmas Memory* by Truman Capote. *One Christmas* and *The Thanksgiving Visitor* are two other short stories by Capote that can be enjoyed this time of year. Ladies are asked to bring a copy of their favorite or newly discovered Christmas read to share at our next meeting on Tuesday, December 3, at Molly Pitt's home (116 Candlewood Road). Tie a ribbon around (but do not wrap) the book you bring. We'll put the books in a large gift basket and each of us will choose a Christmas book to take home!

Poinsettia orders are due this Sunday!

Please complete the order form and return it to the church office so that we can honor the memory of your loved ones.

YOUTH NEWS

Many thanks to all the youth who helped with our Homeless Care Backpack ministry on Sunday night and to Sheila Whitley for assisting us. We delivered 24 bags packed with food, toiletries, and cold weather gear to the UCM shelter and were able to meet some of the staff and residents when we delivered them. It was a wonderful evening. Please let me know as soon as possible if you plan to attend Jingle Mingle on November 24 and our Christmas Party with the international students at NC Wesleyan on December 1. Both will be fun times of fellowship with friends from around the community. I look forward to seeing you for a regular schedule of activities on Sunday evening.

Elizabeth

SPONSORS FOR CHRISTMAS FAMILIES

Many families in our community are in need throughout the year but especially during the holidays. If you would like to contribute to help a family in need, please send monetary donations marked for "Christmas Families" or bring new or gently used, unwrapped toys for the Peacemakers Toy Store to the church office no later than Sunday, December 1.

YOUTH GIFT WRAPPING

Our youth will hold a gift wrapping fund raiser on Saturday, December 14, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Lecture Room. You can drop gifts off for later pick up. Each package includes a beautiful, handmade bow. We will receive donations for the Youth Trip Fund.

MUSIC NOTES

Lakeside Ringers will lead in worship on Sunday, rehearsing at 9:15 a.m. in the sanctuary. On December 1, the Alleluia Choir will sing for Hanging of the Greens. On December 8, the Chancel Choir will perform the Christmas portion of Handel's *Messiah* with a string quartet from the NC Symphony and soloists from East Carolina University. Please invite friends for these times of worship.

Amy

SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Andrew Robillard and Jerry Carter
 Ushers - Group II, Ray Weathers, Captain
 Acolyte - Landyn Adkins; Crucifer - Madi Adkins
 Extended Session - Elaine and Paul Jaber
 Audio Booth Volunteer - John Farmer

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2019 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$609,228

| | Week | YTD |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|
| Anticipated Giving | \$11,716 | \$527,216 |
| Through November 10 | \$6,776 | \$475,812 |
| Variance | -\$4,940 | -\$51,404 |

LAKESIDE AT WORSHIP

November 17, 2019

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 65:17-25

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 16:13-20

Sermon: "Still Building"

Chancel Choir Anthems:

"Holy Lord" - Harlan

"Domine Fili Unigenit" from *Gloria* - Vivaldi

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LAKESIDE CALENDAR

Thursday, November 14

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Children's Classroom

Sunday, November 17

9:15 a.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal, Sanctuary

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, Education Building Foyer

11:00 a.m. Worship

12:15 p.m. Annual Church Conference

12:30 p.m. Diaconate, Conference Room

5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir and Alleluia Choir

5:45 p.m. Supper for Youth and Children, Robbins Hall

6:15 p.m. Youth & Children's Activities

Monday, November 18

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Children's Classroom

Tuesday, November 19

12:00 p.m.- 2:00 p.m. - UCM Cup of Warmth, Robbins Hall

Wednesday, November 20

6:30 p.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 21

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

3:30 p.m. heARTw♥rks, Children's Classroom