



The Link

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WORSHIP AT LAKESIDE

November 22, 2020 ✚ Christ the King Sunday

Lessons: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon: "Hearing the Good News (Without Ignoring the Bad)"

Anthems: "All Good Gifts" arr. Rodriguez

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" - arr. Rutter

"Now Thank We All Our God" - NUN DANKET

Each week, a video of our worship service is available on the home page of our website. Previous worship services are also available on the "Worship Videos" page. Please visit www.lakesidechurchmt.org and join us for worship!



ANNUAL CONFERENCE RESULTS

Many thanks to everyone who took the time to consider the three matters before our congregation and to complete and mail in a ballot expressing your opinion. 137 ballots were received and votes were recorded as follows: Motion 1) Approval of the Proposed 2021 Ministry Plan -131 For/5 Against/1 Abstention ; Motion 2) Approval to keep all current committees, including Deacons, in place for 2021, extending all terms for one year - 135 For/1 Against/1 Abstention; Motion 3) Authorization for the church Trustees to apply for a loan through the Paycheck Protection Program (or an equivalent) if offered again - 132 For/3 Against/2 Abstentions. All three motions were approved.

2021 MINISTRY GIVING PLANS

Each household will receive Giving Plan cards in the mail this week. Please take some time to think and pray about your financial support of our ministry for the coming year. Complete and return the card to the church before Sunday, November 22, if possible, so we can offer all of the Giving Cards as an act of commitment during worship. If you cannot return the card immediately, please do so as soon as possible. Your participation helps us prepare for the coming year.

STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

This month we celebrate Liz Broomell's fifth anniversary with Lakeside! We are delighted to have Liz as part of our family and grateful for her first year as our Administrative Assistant.

We also celebrate Susan Skinner's fifteenth anniversary as our Senior Adult Director. Susan is a travel planner, tour guide, party organizer, hostess, caretaker, and friend. We are grateful for all she does to brighten the day for so many of us.

Please thank both of these friends for their ministry with Lakeside.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Wake Medical Center, 3000 New Bern Avenue, Raleigh, NC 27610

Shirley Hayes (Dolores Costa's cousin)

At Home:

Kathleen Andersen (Richie Cobb's relative)

Barbara Barnes, 101 Briarwood Court, Tarboro, NC 27886

Jennifer Cobb, 1506 West Haven Boulevard (03)

Ricky Cobb, 3417 Brookview Drive (04)

Dolores Costa, 3540 Mansfield Drive (03)

Chuck Daniel (Brenda & Dennis Culpepper's nephew)

Lib Dawes (Linda Dawes Lee's mother), 213 Charlotte Street (04)

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

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

Roger Harris, 3126 W. Hampton Drive (04)

Glenda Hortman (Karla Willcox's mother) 1820 Willow Glynn Road (04)

Cody Richardson, 1518 Fountain Branch Road (03)

Frank Rountree, 76 Mill Pond Road, Gatesville, NC 27938

Joe Stanton, PO Box 41, Nashville, NC 27856

Patricia Taylor (Napoleon's wife), 514 Hammond Street (04)

Our Members-at-Home

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

Jean Smith, Fountains at The Albemarle, 200 Trade Street, Tarboro, NC 27886

Ann Battle, Gardens of Nashville, 1022 Eastern Avenue, Nashville, NC 27856

We offer our sympathy to Sharon and John Derbyshire in the death of Sharon's mother, Edith Smith of Thomasville, NC, on November 18.

RING THE BELL FOR THE SALVATION ARMY

Circle 10 will ring the bell for the Salvation Army on Thursday, December 3, from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at Belk. A few more ringers are needed. All ringers must wear masks. If you would like to ring, contact Vel Johnson at 442-7941 or veljohnson@embarqmail.com.

SHARE YOUR ADVENT DEVOTIONS

For Advent devotions this year, we want you to share a view from your window which has become meaningful, comforting, enlightening, or inspiring. Go to a window in your home, office, retreat, or other location where you often spend time. In a devotion, share your thoughts and reflections, as well as a photo or sketch of the view from your window. Send your devotions and pictures to lakesiderm@embarqmail.com by Friday, November 27 so we can share them daily during Advent. Come, Christmas

LAKESIDE LADIES' BOOK CLUB

Join us on Tuesday, December 8, as we meet by Zoom and discuss *The Book of Longings* by Sue Monk Kidd. Terry Martin will facilitate our discussion. Please email Deborah (deborahwright@embarqmail.com) so we can add your email address to the Zoom invitation list.

YOUTH NEWS

We have had a good response from those wanting to receive an Advent Wreath and will need help delivering them in the coming week. If your family is available to deliver a wreath, please let me know. Watch your email for details about this Sunday's Zoom call for youth and children. This month's Family Activity Packets have been emailed to each family. We are happy to mail a paper copy if you are unable to print it at home. Continue to stay safe and well. Elizabeth

MUSIC NOTES

Brava! to Sadie Ponte who shared her musical talents with us last Sunday and reminded us that God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in time of trouble. To all our Cherubs, I love hearing your voices and seeing you shine your light! Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who helped them practice and make their videos. We have a few redoes and I'll be in touch to schedule a time to make those edits. Alleluia Choir, you received an email with music, rehearsal track, and instructions on recording your videos which are due this Friday. I am available Thursday afternoon by appointment to help with the recording process.

We are excited to welcome a small ensemble of female student singers and harpist Vonda Darr to present the choral work *A Ceremony of Carols* by Benjamin Britten for our online worship on December 13. More information will be shared in the coming weeks about the composer and his Christmas composition. Amy

MAKE A CHRISMON

We invite families with children to make two Chrismons, one to put on the tree at church and the other for your tree. Two Chrismon-making kits are available at the church, but call the church office first to make sure a kit is available. Please make your Chrismons and return the kit to church quickly so that another family can use it. Bring your Chrismon to Lakeside and place it on the tree next week. Take a picture and email it to Jody (wrightjody@embarqmail.com) so we can share it during our Hanging of the Greens service.

SPONSORS FOR CHRISTMAS FAMILIES

If you would like to help a family in our community celebrate Christmas, please send monetary donations marked for "Christmas Families."

LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2020 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$615,249

| | Week | YTD |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|
| Anticipated Giving | \$11,832 | \$544,259 |
| Through November 15 | \$5,980 | \$445,740 |
| Variance | -\$5,852 | -\$98,519 |

Your gift allows us to minister to one another and our community!

The church office will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27, in celebration of Thanksgiving. Someone will be available on Friday, November 27, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. for you to place a poinsettia or hang a Chrismon.

LAKESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

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CHURCH STAFF

Jody Wright
Senior Minister
 Liz Broomell
Administrative Assistant
 Susan Skinner
Senior Adult Director

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
 Diana Kirkpatrick
Organist
 Milton Marrow
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S'MORE HOPE...S'MORE CURES...S'MORE LOVE

There are many s'more kits available at church for you to pick up so you can enjoy these tasty treats at home with your family since we won't be able to enjoy them together at the Taylor's. Many of you have already made a donation to Polka Dot Mama Foundation and Relay for Life; others of you may still wish to contribute. All of you are encouraged to stop by church and get some s'mores as you share your hope for more cures for cancer and your love for all those who have been affected by this disease.

ADVENT AT LAKESIDE

This year's Advent theme is "Come, Christmas . . ." and throughout the season we will focus on the gifts which Christ's coming brings to the world:

The First Sunday of Advent: Come, Hope . . . The Hanging of the Greens

Our virtual worship service will include all of the elements we cherish about this special service of decorating our sanctuary and exploring the meaning behind beloved symbols. Lakeside families will bless each element for us and music will once again welcome us into the season of expectation. Come, Christmas . . .

HELP US WITH THE HANGING OF THE GREENS

Although we cannot be in our sanctuary, we will decorate so that we can still enjoy the familiar sights of the season. We need your help. If you have ordered a poinsettia, we invite you to come to the church Monday, November 23-Wednesday, November 25, from 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. or Friday, November 27, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. to place your flower on the chancel and take a picture to be included in our worship. You may also place a Chrismon on the tree while here.