

## OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

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

**Charlotte Gilliam**, Room 205

### At Home

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

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

**Robyn Edwards Chapman** (Jeannette Pittman's cousin)

**Dave Corn**, 3611 Browning Place, Raleigh, NC 27609

**Bob Davis** (Dan Davis' brother), Greenville, SC

**Della and Lela Edwards**, 211 River Bank Lane, Greenville, NC 27834

**Michelle Costa Foster**, 105 Gloucester Court (03)

**Ethel Hines**, 125 Cobblestone Court (04)

**Linda Hoyle**, 210 Gravely Drive (04)

**Bill Jones** (Dorrie Wright's brother)

**Jim Martin**, 116 Cobblestone Court (04)

**C.B. Morris**, 1930 Northern Boulevard (04)

**Cornelia Singletary**, 15 Weatherstone Drive (04)

**Barbara Valentine**, 112 Hickory Street, Greenville, NC 27858

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

### Our Members-at-Home

**Elwood Berry**, Spring Arbor, 1251 South Winstead Avenue (03), Room 206

**Stan Ford**, 10820 Sandy Oak Lane, #208, Raleigh, NC 27614

**Robert Kincheloe**, 3704 Hawthorne Road (04)

**Jim Wiggs**, 1441 Rock Creek Drive (04)

## YOUTH CANDY GRAM FUNDRAISER

What to give to that person on your list who has everything? For this year's Holiday Fundraiser, our youth are offering Candy Grams! For a donation to our Summer Trip Fund, we will mail a card and sweet treat to someone you would like to honor, either with your name or anonymously. Please complete the form on the youth page of the website or contact the church office by December 12.

## CHRISTMAS FAMILIES

Many families in our community struggle during the holiday season. If you would like to help a family in our community celebrate Christmas, please send monetary donations marked for "Christmas Families" by December 12. These funds will be offered to a local charity to distribute to families in need.

## 70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE ITEMS

These make great commemorative gifts for family and friends this holiday season! NEW SALE PRICES: Tumbler: \$15 or 2 for \$25; Mug: \$8 or 2 for \$15; Bag: \$5; OR Bundle (Bag, Mug, & Tumbler) Price: \$25. Or buy updated gicleé prints of Marion Weathers' artwork, the "Lehman Benediction." Costs are: \$75 for 16x20, \$50 for 11x14, and \$35 for 8x10. Notecards of the print are also available for purchase (8 notecards for \$15). You can order these items online using the Give page of our website or purchase after church on November 30.

## YOUTH NEWS

Please meet in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. this Sunday to rehearse for Hanging of the Greens. On Sunday evening, we will meet at St. Andrew's for Jingle Mingle, our Community Youth Christmas Party. Bring non-perishable food items to donate to UCM. Be sure to watch texts and email for details about all the upcoming Advent activities. I'm looking forward to a beautiful season of *Making Room* for the coming of Christ!

Elizabeth

## MUSIC NOTES

Advent is here! Reminder that there are no evening rehearsals on Wednesday, November 26, for Choir or Handbells. Chancel Choir, please check your email for details regarding Sunday's schedule. We will meet in the choir room at 9:45 a.m. Children's choir should plan to arrive at 10:15 a.m. and go into the Music Suite where Lori Joyner will assist with robes before moving into the Sanctuary. Zack will provide logistical instructions at that time. We're looking forward to this busy but special service!

Jake

## TOPNOTCHERS NEWS

See you at our upcoming events: Continue the Communion on Sunday, December 7, at El Jimador (2181 Lawrence Circle), the Christmas party at Dick & Nancy's Berry's home (1412 Jeremy Lane) on Sunday, December 14, after the Candlelight Service, and a visit to the Dunn Center to view the Life & Art of Charles M. Schulz exhibit on the afternoon of January 6, 2026.

Sue

## THIS SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeter – Sammie Crumley and Jennifer Cobb  
Ushers – Bill Bulluck, Frank Maynard, and Richie Cobb  
Acolyte – Dyson Ponte

### *November 30, 2025 ♦ Hanging of the Greens*

Lessons: Isaiah 2:1-5; Matthew 24:36-44

Sermon: "Making Room for Hope"

Anthems: "The Holly and the Ivy" – arr. Sharpe

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" – arr. Wilberg

"Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light" – Bach

## LAKESIDE'S MISSIONS AND MINISTRY PLAN

2025 Missions and Ministry Budget \$588,144

|                     | Week     | YTD       | 2024      |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Anticipated Giving  | \$11,310 | \$531,592 | \$507,108 |
| Through November 23 | \$18,917 | \$461,952 | \$423,553 |
| Variance            | +\$7,607 | -\$69,640 | -\$83,555 |

*As the end of the year approaches, we need your continued financial support to make our 2025 budget. Please review your current 2025 giving to Lakeside and complete your plan for this year, considering any additional funds you may be able to provide. With your support, we can close the current budget shortfall and be in a position to fulfill all the missions we are so very blessed to support.*

– Board of Finance

## LAKESIDE CHURCH

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### CHURCH STAFF

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Sue Bulluck  
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Elizabeth Edwards  
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Liz Broomell  
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## LAKESIDE CALENDAR

### Thursday and Friday, November 27 and 28

Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

### Saturday, November 29

1:00 p.m. Chrismon Tree Decorating, Sanctuary

### Sunday, November 30

9:30 a.m. Hanging of the Greens Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
9:45 a.m. Growing Together Groups, Education Building  
9:45 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite  
10:15 a.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite  
11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary  
5:00 p.m. Youth Jingle Mingle, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church  
5:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Party, Music & Youth Suites

### Tuesday, December 2

9:30 a.m. Englewood Garden Club, Lecture Room  
5:00 p.m. Lakeside Ladies Book Club, 1421 Country Club Road  
5:00 p.m. Endowment Committee, Conference Room

### Wednesday, December 3

11:15 a.m. Dove Notes, Godwin Library  
6:00 p.m. Lakeside Ringers Rehearsal, Music Building  
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Music Building



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## ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT LAKESIDE – “MAKING ROOM”

*“Let every heart prepare Him room...”*

This year's theme for Advent and Christmas is “Making Room.” Advent is the season that prepares our hearts for the coming of Christ. We must *make room* for Christ's life and message in our lives as we hear these stories of hope, peace, joy, and love once more.

And as we make room for that message individually, we also *make room* as a church family for Christ to come into our midst, as we welcome others in Christ's name, this season and always. All are welcome here, and we will *make room* for you.

## ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & EVENTS

### **Sunday, November 30 ♦ First Sunday of Advent**

11:00 a.m. Hanging of the Greens Service  
5:00 p.m. Youth Jingle Mingle & Children's Christmas Party

### **Sunday, December 7 ♦ Second Sunday of Advent**

11:00 a.m. Chancel Choir presents Vivaldi's *Magnificat*  
1:30 p.m. Departure for Moravian Lovefeast at Wake Forest University

### **Sunday, December 14 ♦ Third Sunday of Advent**

11:00 a.m. Advent Worship  
6:00 p.m. Candlelight Lessons & Carols Service

### **Sunday, December 21 ♦ Fourth Sunday of Advent**

11:00 a.m. Advent Worship  
6:00 p.m. Longest Night Service

### **Wednesday, December 24 ♦ Christmas Eve**

6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Worship & Communion

### **Sunday, December 28 ♦ First Sunday after Christmas**

11:00 a.m. Christmas Worship

## SIGN UP NOW: MORAVIAN LOVEFEAST

On Sunday, December 7, we will travel to Winston-Salem to attend the Moravian Lovefeast at Wake Forest University. **Sign up by November 30** online or by calling the church office.

## HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED

Throughout November, we will be collecting nonperishable food items and monetary donations to provide food for our neighbors who are struggling during these difficult times. Please drop off donations at the church office.