

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

“We envision Lakeside United Methodist Church to be God’s **HANDS** in our community and beyond: **H**ospitable, **A**lways faithful, **N**urturing, **D**iscipleship, **S**ervice.”

June 25, 2017

10:50 AM

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

We’re glad you’re here! We invite all worshipers to sign the *Friendship Pad* that is at the end of each pew and pass it down your row. Please take notice who shares your row and welcome them.

Prelude *At the River* **Copeland**
Our worship begins with the prelude. Let the power of the music speak to you of God’s glory; let its quietness tell you of God’s peace; let its beauty lift your hearts in prayer.

***Call to Worship** *The World Methodist Social Affirmation (responsively)* **UMH 886**

We believe in God, creator of the world and of all people; and in Jesus Christ, incarnate among us, who died and rose again; and in the Holy Spirit, present with us to guide, strengthen, and comfort.

We believe; God, help our unbelief.

We rejoice in every sign of God’s kingdom: in the upholding of human dignity and community; in every expression of love, justice, and reconciliation; in each act of self-giving on behalf of others; in the abundance of God’s gifts entrusted to us that all may have enough; in all responsible use of the earth’s resources.

Glory be to God on high; and on earth, peace.

We confess our sin, individual and collective, by silence or action: through the violation of human dignity based on race, class, age, sex, nation, or faith; through the search for security by those military and economic forces that threaten human existence; through the abuse of technology which endangers the earth and all life upon it.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

We commit ourselves individually and as a community in the way of Christ; to take up the cross; to seek abundant life for all humanity; to struggle for peace with justice and freedom; to risk ourselves in faith, hope, and love, praying that God’s kingdom may come.

Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

***Prayer for the Church (all praying)** **Lay Reader**

Most merciful Father, send your heavenly blessings upon this your Church, that all its members may dwell together in unity and love. Keep far from us all self-will and discord. Endue your pastors with righteousness, and enable them faithfully to fulfill their ministry, to bring again the outcasts, and to seek the lost. And grant to us so to receive their ministrations, and to use your means of grace, that in all our words and deeds we may seek your glory and the advancement of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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An Order of Farewell to Our Pastor

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***Hymn** *Marching to Zion* **UMH 733**
Lighting of the Altar Candle

***Psalter Reading** Lay Reader *Psalms 17* **UM**

Children’s Time **Pastor Bill**

All children are invited to come to the front for Children’s Time. Afterward they may go to Children’s Church (ages 3-7) or return to sit with their families.

Prayers of the People/The Lord’s Prayer **Pastor Bill**
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer Response *Thank you, Lord* **Unison**
Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord. I just want to thank you, Lord.

Presenting our Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings

Offertory Anthem *To God Be The Glory* **Men’s Chorus**

***Doxology**
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Offertory Prayer** Lay Reader **Unison**

Generous God, you are the source of abundant life. You reveal a great mystery: those who lose their life for the sake of your Son will find it. When we are aware of loss, send your Holy Spirit to help us trust in your steadfast love. You are transforming our lives and this world as surely as you have transformed the cross by Christ’s resurrection. Let our gifts bring vitality to the healing ministries of this community of faith. We ask this in the name of our risen Lord Jesus. Amen.

***Hymn of Preparation** *God of Grace and God of Glory* **UMH 577**

***Gospel Reading** *Matthew 10:24-29* **Pastor Bill**
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God **People: Thanks be to God.**

Message **“ARE YOU HAPPY?”** **Rev. Bill**
James

***Hymn of Dedication** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* **UMH 557**
During the singing of the closing hymn, the chancel rail is open for private prayer and meditation. If you would like for the pastor to pray with you, simply raise a hand.

***Benediction**
***Benediction Response** **Chancel Choir**

***Postlude**
Those who wish may be seated for the postlude.

We are glad you are here today! We are a church with Open Doors and Open Hearts. We invite you to join us again. Pastor Bill James would be delighted to answer any questions you may have and discuss membership with you. Pastor Bill can be reached at 804-266-7016.

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the glory and honor of God and in honor of my son, Wilfried Yahí and my son-in-law Serge Melloh on their birthdays, by Grace Mimbe. **Participating in worship today:** **Lay Reader,** Victoria White; **Greeters,** High School Students; **Sound,** Dyane Winn; **Projection,** Beth Trader.

Come and meet and greet our new pastor, Pastor Mark Rooks and family, at a Cake and Ice Cream Social! Drop by the church on Saturday, July 8 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM to visit and welcome them to the Lakeside family!

The Upper Room is for you: The Upper Room for **July/August** is available and is located on the rack by the water fountain. The Upper Room devotional is a ministry of our Church that blesses us all. Please put your donation for the Upper Room devotional booklet in the offering plate and earmark it "Upper Room". Many thanks for your contribution to this mission and ministry of spiritual growth!

Hearing devices are available (special loops for hearing aids). Large print bulletins are located on the Welcome Center. *Please stand as you are able whenever you see this symbol. All **bold type** indicates congregational participation. As we worship, we are using the red hymnal and the black book. We do ask that you turn off all electronic equipment, including cell phones, as a courtesy to others. Nursery care for infants-preschoolers is available at the 10:50 AM Service, in the educational wing. Please see an usher for assistance.

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