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Lakeshore Presbyterian Church
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WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 100)

One: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

ALL: Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

One: Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are his.

ALL: We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

One: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

ALL: Give thanks to him, bless his name. For the LORD is good;

One: His steadfast love endures for ever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

ALL: Let us worship the LORD our GOD with gladness.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you!

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

Please stand if you are able

HYMN "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" #220

1. All people that on Earth do dwell,

Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;

Him serve with fear, his praise forthtell;

Come ye before him and rejoice.

2. The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;

Without our aid he did us make;

**We are his folk, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.**

**3. O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.**

**4. For why? The Lord our God is good;
His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

LORD, we will joyfully sing for YOU. We will gladly thank YOU. We will heartily worship YOU. We will gleefully praise YOU. But first we have things to do. We have programs to watch. We have shopping to do. We have people to see. We have cleaning to finish. LORD, forgive us when we push YOU to the back of the line. Forgive us when we put off thanking YOU, worshipping YOU, and praising YOU. We are YOUR people, the sheep of YOUR pasture. Amen.

PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE OF PRAISE Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM *“O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee” #357*

SCRIPTURE Genesis 29:15-20

¹⁵ Then Laban said to Jacob, ‘Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?’ ¹⁶ Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. ¹⁷ Leah’s eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. ¹⁸ Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, ‘I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.’ ¹⁹ Laban said, ‘It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other

man; stay with me.’ ²⁰ So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON “God’s Story”

Please stand if you are able

HYMN “Here I Am, Lord” #525

I, the Lord of sea and sky

I have heard my people cry

All who dwell in dark and sin

My hand will save

I, who made the stars of night

I will make their darkness bright

Who will bear my light to them?

Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night

I will go, Lord, if you lead me

I will hold your people in my heart

I, the Lord of snow and rain

I have borne my people's pain

I have wept for love of them

They turn away

I will break their hearts of stone

Give them hearts for love alone

Who will speak my word to them

Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night

I will go, Lord, if you lead me

I will hold your people in my heart

I, the Lord of wind and flame

I will tend the poor and lame

I will set a feast for them

My hand will save

**Finest bread I will provide
'Til their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send?**

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night
I will go, Lord, if you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us say what we believe:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell; On the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

RESPONSE "Hear Our Prayer, O LORD"

**Hear our prayer, O Lord
Hear our prayer, O Lord
Incline Thine ear to us
And grant us Thy peace**

THE OFFERING

DOXOLOGY #592

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.

HYMN “Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore” #357

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

FELLOWSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<i>In our Prayers</i> Loving Father, we ask for Your healing touch to restore our bodies, minds, and spirits. Grant us strength to face each moment with courage and peace. May Your comfort surround us, and Your hope lift us up. We especially pray for Don Colwell in Hospice and his wife, Sue Roger Sheldon recovering from liver transplant and his wife, Mary-Beth Sue Dykstra upcoming surgery Joanne Swan congestive heart failure Pat Stay hospitalized		 BIRTHDAY Joslyn Gerrow Caleb Sheldon Brenda Losey
Sunday Mornings 9 – 9:45am 	 Group Prayer Thursdays 10:30am	

EVENTS

- 8/2** Deacons collecting non-perishable food items
8/12 Potluck 4pm
8/15 Ice Cream Social 3pm
8/22 Scrapbooking 10am – 5pm

NEW EVENT

- 8/29** Historicity of the Gospels
 By Todd Shoudy 6pm
 free admission
 refreshments following

meeting

8/5	Deacons	4pm
8/6	E&O	11am
8/11	Stewardship & Mgt	10am
8/13	Worship	12:30 pm
8/13	Session	1:30pm



Tuesday and
 Wednesday Aug
 4 & 5 bring your
 donations for the
 church table

Yard Sale Setup August 6th



August 7th and 8th
7am – 5pm
Lakeshore Parking Lot + some indoor spots available
Contact Sue Dykstra for spot rental information.