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Lakeshore Presbyterian Church
May 3, 2026
Pastor Bill Davis, presiding

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (I Peter 2:9-10)

One: But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people,

ALL: In order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

One: Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people.

ALL: Once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

One: Let us worship the LORD our GOD!

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

1 Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,

God of glory, Lord of love;

Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,

Opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;

Drive the gloom of doubt away;

Giver of immortal gladness,

Fill us with the light of day.

2 All Thy works with joy surround Thee,

Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,

Stars and angels sing around Thee,

**Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in Thee.**

**3 Mortals, join the happy chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o'er us,
Joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear eternal FATHER in Heaven, thank you for choosing us to be a chosen race, a royal priesthood, YOUR own people! YOU have blessed us! Now we confess to YOU that we behave in ways that we regret. We confess that our anger gets the best of us, our faith is frail, our criticism of others is not helpful. Thank YOU, that your son JESUS died to free us from YOUR judgement for our sin. Thank you that in spite of our sins, we are truly YOUR own people. Amen.

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 *“All the Way My Savior Leads Me”*

SCRIPTURE John 14:1-11

¹Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going.' ⁵Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' ⁶Jesus said to him,

'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

⁸ Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' ⁹ Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"?' ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves.

SERMON "A New Start"

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

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

HYMN "Let Us Break Bread Together" #513

1 Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

2 Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

3 Let us praise God together on our knees;
Let us praise God together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise...

...Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord...
...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is Risen.

Christ will come again.

The power of the Holy Spirit fills our Holy Communion with God's presence and joins us with saints throughout the ages who have trusted the Holy Spirit for sharing the truth about Jesus Christ....

We gratefully thank the Father, Son and Holy Spirit for calling us, strengthening us, and granting us salvation. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

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, I Want to Be a Christian" #372

**1 Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart.
In-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart.**

**2 Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart,
In-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart.**

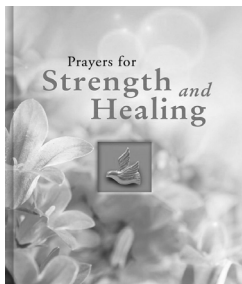
**3 Lord, I want to be more holy in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in-a my heart.**

**In-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in-a my heart.**

**4 Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart.
In-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

FELLOWSHIP



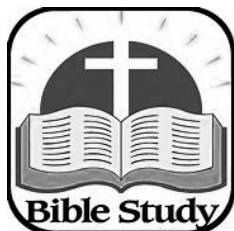
**Sue Dykstra
Roger Sheldon
Debi Singer**

**and all those we
bring before
You or hold in
the silence of
our hearts**



**Wyatt Bade
Sue Bergeon
Jessica Bade**

**Roger & Mary-
Beth Sheldon**



**Sunday
Mornings
9 am – 9:45 am**



**Thursdays
10:30 am**

EVENTS

5/9 1-3 pm Craft Day
5/10 11 am Mother's Day Brunch
5/13 4 pm Potluck
5/28 noon-2 pm Pray with Pastor



Meetings

5/6 4 pm Deacons
5/7 11 am E&O
5/12 10 am Stewardship & Mgt
5/14 12:30 pm Worship
1:30 pm Session

USHERS

Today Team 2

Kathy Pennanen
Jackie Bolman
Janet Saxon
Sandy Hunwick

5/10 Team 3

Sharon Nash
Lana Gerrow
Rick Murray
Jessica Bade

OFFERING COUNTERS

Today Pat Moses, Barb Wismer
5/10 Pam Blish, Brenda Losey

Laniera (Lee) Fearnside

May 9th 1pm
Light lunch following the service

