



Traditional Worship - June 14, 2026 - 8:30 & 11:00 am

Entering into the Spirit of Worship

Greeting 8:30 - Tom Beattie 11:00 - David Morgan

Prelude *Méditation from Thaïs* Massenet
Kristen van Dyck, violin

***Call to Worship** 8:30 - Susan Beattie 11:00 - Chad Wagner

Leader: We gather today not merely to hear about God, but to be transformed by Him.

People: Lord, let our faith become visible.

Leader: Jesus calls us to love not only with words, but with action, compassion, and surrender.

People: Lord, let our lives reflect Your Kingdom.

Leader: We come not to earn Your grace, but because Your grace has already reached us through Christ.

People: Fill us with living faith and joyful obedience.

Leader: Let us worship the King whose mercy changes hearts and whose Spirit makes all things new.

People: We will worship the Lord with all that we are. Amen.

***Hymn** *This is my Father's World* #19

The Uniting of our Hearts in Prayer

Prayer 8:30 - Pastor Robby Strock 11:00 - Pastor Jared Priset

Lord's Prayer

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.

Proclaiming the Word of God

Anthem *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* Winston Cassler
Josiah van Dyck, oboe; Kristen van Dyck, violin

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:13-16 pg. 780

Statement of Faith

We believe that salvation is by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ alone. We believe that Jesus died for our sins and rose again to give us new life. We believe that true faith is visible - shown through love, obedience, compassion, and surrender. We are not saved by good works, but genuine faith produces a transformed life. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may our lives reflect the heart of King Jesus in our church, our homes, and our world. Amen.

Offering our Gifts to God

Silver Haired Daddy of Mine
Rod Harrison, soloist

Long/Autry

*Response in Song (11:00 only)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts; Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts. Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication (11:00 only)

*Hymn (11:00 only)

Here I Am Lord (v. 1)

#589

Scripture

James 2:14-26

pg. 984

Message

Faith that Works
Kingdom Wisdom

Pastor Jared Priset

Sending Forth

*Closing Hymn

Oh Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

#596

*Benediction

Postlude

"Hornpipe" from Water Music

Handel

*Those who are able, please stand

Choir Director & Organist/Accompanist - Dean Wagner

Altar Flowers: are given by Rebekah & Stephen Herceg
in celebration of their anniversary

Sermon Outline

Focus: Kingdom faith is visible. Real faith does not merely profess Christ. it reflects the Gospel.

I. Kingdom Faith produces action. (James 2:15–17)

Faith moves toward people in need.

Compassion is evidence of genuine faith.

Jesus didn't merely SAY He loved us – He moved toward us.

“Faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.” — James 2:17

II. Kingdom Faith transforms the whole person. (James 2:18–20)

Intellectual agreement is not the same as saving faith.

Saving faith is surrender.

We are saved by grace through faith — not by works.

But saving faith always produces visible fruit.

III. Kingdom Faith trusts God enough to obey. (James 2:21–26)

Abraham's obedience revealed the authenticity of his faith.

Real faith becomes visible through costly obedience.

IV. Application:

Is my faith visibly shaping the way I live?

What would visible faith look like in my home, workplace, or relationships?

Where is God calling me to greater obedience?

Key Truth: Works are not the ROOT of salvation –
they are the FRUIT of salvation.

Contemporary Worship - June 21, 2026 - 9:30 & 11:00 am

Praise Songs

*House of the Lord
Bless God*

Welcome

9:30 - Matt Ritzert Oasis - Julia Fabich

Worship Song & Offering

More Like Jesus

Prayer

Pastor Robby Strock

Scripture

James 2:14-26

Message

Faith the Works
Kingdom Wisdom

Pastor Bryan George

Closing Song

Lord I Need You

Benediction

Sermon Outline

Focus: Kingdom faith is visible. Real faith does not merely profess Christ, it reflects the Gospel.

I) Kingdom Faith in the Book of James: No separation of faith from works

Is there a contradiction between:

James 2:26 *"faith without works is also dead"*

Romans 3:28 *"a person is justified by faith apart from works"*

Wesley *"none shall finally be saved by any faith but that which works by love, both inward and outward holiness"*

II) Kingdom Faith produces *action* (James 2:15-17)

Faith moves toward people in need.

"and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that?" (v. 16)

"faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead" (v. 17)

III) Kingdom Faith *personally transforms* (James 2:18-20)

More than just being a fan of Jesus but a follower:

"You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe and shudder" (v. 19)

Saving faith involves personal surrender to the Jesus way

IV) Kingdom Faith involves costly obedience (James 2:21–26)

The examples of Abraham and Rahab: Costly obedience connects to justification

"a person is justified by works and not by faith alone" (v. 25)

V) Faith like a Child

Jumping into the arms of a loving parent

Wesley: *"casting yourself with a reckless abandon on the grace of God."*

Church Office Hours - The church office will be closed on Mondays in June and July.

Explore

Healing Ministries Fellowship Picnic

Join us on **Wednesday, July 22nd**, 2:00 - 9:00 pm at the Jackson Township North Park Shelter. We'll eat around 5:30 pm. This is for anyone who has been part of one of our GriefShare or DivorceCare Groups, their families and potential participants. Bring a covered dish to share. Let Pastor Nancy know that you are attending, 330-417-4334.

Baptism by Immersion

A Baptism by Immersion service will be held on **Sunday, August 16th**, during the church picnic. Anyone who has never been baptized into the Christian faith and would like the chance to make a profession of faith in Jesus and be baptized by immersion are invited to take part. There will be an informational meeting on *Sunday, August 9th*, 12:15 pm in room 206. If this is a first baptism this meeting is strongly encouraged, those reaffirming their baptisms are not required to attend. For more information contact Cassandra in the church office, 330-499-8972.

Annual Church Picnic

Join us for our annual church picnic on **Sunday, August 16th** immediately following the 11:00 services. This year's festivities will take place at the church, in the Activity Center and parking lot. There will be a giant jump house, games, and more for the kids. Bring a dish to share. Hotdogs, buns, drinks, and paper products are provided, the meal will begin at 12:30 pm.

Serve

Jackson Community Festival

We are in need of donations of small toys or candy (that won't melt) for prizes. Drop items off at the church office by *June 21st*. Church of the Lakes will have a booth at the Jackson Community Festival, **June 24th - 27th**. We need volunteers to be at the booth during the festival. We'll have a free carnival game with small prizes for children, and information about our church. Students can receive community service hours for volunteering. If you are interested in volunteering at the booth contact Susan Kirkland, skirkland8791@gmail.com, or 330-806-7953.

Royal Family Kids Camp Snack Donations Requested

RFKC is in need of various items for snacks for campers and staff attending camp. Visit the church website to view the complete list and sign up to provide any of these items (items have specific amounts needed, so do not purchase without first registering on the website). All donations provided will be appreciated by everyone attending camp. Drop off your donations *June 14th - July 8th* to room 115. Call Sherry Mulcahey, 330-256-2137 with questions.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Church of the Lakes is hosting a blood drive on **Saturday, August 8th**, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm in the Activity Center. The American Red Cross is in critical need of blood donations. Signup for an appointment at redcrossblood.org and search using sponsor code 'churchofthelakes'.

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Visit churchofthelakes.org/online-giving or text: give to 330-961-5524

Offering envelopes are located by the Activity Center entrance

For EFT instructions contact Stephanie Strock, stephanie@churchofthelakes.org

ready, set. build!

Build with the
Kerns Family
Church of the Lakes



Brittany • Breeze (4)

Ready to volunteer?

1. Visit habi.build/COTL and click "Sign Up to Volunteer."
2. Select your preferred volunteer shift(s).
3. Tell us a little about yourself.
4. Provide your emergency contact information.
5. Click "Continue."
6. Review the Release and Waiver of Liability, add your signature to agree, then click "Submit." You will receive an automatic email confirmation and text.



Questions?
Contact Habitat:
330-915-5888

Scan to sign up!



Volunteers needed for our Habitat Home Build:

Saturday 6/27 - Blueboard

Wednesday 7/1 - Siding

Thursday 7/16 - Stain Trim
at Habitat Workshop

Saturday 7/18 - Insulation

We also need volunteers for devotions & snacks for build days. Register for these opportunities at habi.build/cotl

Lil' Lambs Closet Fall & Winter Consignment Sale



Friday, July 31st
10 am – 7 pm

Saturday, August 1st
8 am – 12 pm
50% off select merchandise on Saturday

Register to consign or volunteer at
www.cotl-lillambscloset.com

Find updates on  - Lil' Lambs Closet Jackson

FIND GREAT DEALS:

Back-to-School clothes for infants, children, teens & young adults, nursery & children's furniture, shoes, bookbags, books, DVDs, sports equipment, accessories, baby items, exersaucers, and more!

*30% of proceeds
go to children in need*

Submit your news, information or announcements to betsi@churchofthelakes.org.



Please pray for: Jim Grow, Landon Thiel, Janet Fish, Dan West, Roxy Sonntag, Ken Krummrich, and Bill Christiansen

Our condolences to Teresa Egner and family on the passing of her father, Ford Warren. Our condolences to Dave Palky and family on the passing of his mother, Kathleen. To submit prayer requests call 330-499-8972 ext. 203 or email: prayer@churchofthelakes.org.