

**COMMUNION**

Come and receive of the feast that Jesus offers those who follow him. During this time, we remember Jesus' sacrifice and are nourished by his Body that was broken on the cross for us and Blood that was poured out for the sins of many. In front of the stage there is an area available for private prayer. There are also members of the congregation and Prayer Team available for prayer in the cafeteria during and after communion.

**SING YOUR LIFE**

When I'm quiet I can hear  
The Spirit sings a song  
The Spirit sings the Word  
And I ache to sing along

I sing soft but no one stops to hear

Will you play a song of love  
Please sing a song of peace  
And the song you play is life  
And you sing your life through me

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**SUMMACH**

When I'm quiet I can hear  
The Spirit sings a song  
The Spirit sings the Word  
And I ache to sing along

I sing loud and lose my voice again

Will you play a song of love  
Please sing a song of peace  
And the song you play is life  
And you sing your life through me

**DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him all creatures here below  
Praise him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son & Holy Ghost

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**THOMAS/MAINZER**

UPCOMING <a href="http://www.allgather.org/calendar">www.allgather.org/calendar</a>	CONTACT	FINANCIAL UPDATE
Lakewood Vacation Bible School: August 13th-15th (W-F) 6-8:30pm & August 16th (Sa) 9:30a-1pm. Contact Chris ( <a href="mailto:chris@allgather.org">chris@allgather.org</a> ) if you'd like to volunteer as a kids helper or A/V volunteer.	Office at Hamilton Centre 1415 W NC54 Ste 114 Durham, NC 27707	-2014 Budget: \$432,000
Help the Scrap Exchange move to Lakewood Shopping Center August 11th-15 <sup>th</sup> , 9:30a-5:30p or 5:30p-9:30p. Contact Lindsey Miller ( <a href="mailto:events@scrapexchange.org">events@scrapexchange.org</a> ) if you'd like to help out.	p919.797.2884 f919.908.1171	-YTD Income Goal: \$157,000 (36% of budget)
You may designate tithes and special gifts to the Lakewood Church Plant by noting that designation in the memo line of your check made out to the Gathering Church.	<a href="http://www.allgather.org">@allgather</a> <a href="https://facebook.com/allgather">facebook.com/allgather</a>	-YTD Income Actual: \$136,000 (31% of budget)
Fill out a blue card to receive our church-wide midweek email keeping you abreast of news and opportunities.	Access a password-protected Church Directory at: <a href="http://www.allgather.org/info/directory/">www.allgather.org/info/directory/</a>	

August 3, 2014

Psalm 27:7-14 | Acts 20:13-38



**LIVING IN GOD'S STORY**

*A Study of the Book of Acts*



"Church is the gift of a community of Christians in which we rehearse and orient ourselves in the practice of resurrection. It is never an abstraction, never anonymous, never a problem to be fixed, never a romantic ideal to be fantasized. The rehearsal and orientation take place in several ways but never apart from conversations between God, who reveals himself in Jesus, and in named men and women... There is more to church than sermons and sacraments, theology and liturgy, Bible studies and prayer meetings, committee meetings and mission statements. There is us. Conversation is the form that language takes when the persons of the Trinity and the persons of the congregation are in the same room."

-Eugene Peterson

**GATHERING MUSIC – FOUR STRONG WINDS**

IAN TYSON

Written by Ian Tyson © 1963 Slick Fork Music

**HE LEADETH ME**

GILMORE/BRADBURY

He leadeth me: O blessed thought  
O words with heavenly comfort brought  
Whate'er I do, where'er I be  
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me

Lord, I would place my hand in thine  
Nor ever murmur nor repine  
Content, whatever lot I see  
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me

He leadeth me, he leadeth me  
By his own hand he leadeth me  
His faithful follower I would be  
For by his hand he leadeth me

And when my task on earth is done  
When by thy grace the victory's won  
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee  
Since God through Jordan leadeth me

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom  
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom  
By waters still, o'er troubled sea  
Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me

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**WELCOME**

Welcome to the Gathering Church. We are a church that is growing in doing three things well: being present to God in worship, being connected to each other in community, and being engaged in the world by serving and sharing God's love. Thank you for gathering this morning to worship the Lord.

**EVERLASTING GOD**

BROWN/RILEY

Strength will rise as  
we wait upon the Lord  
We will wait upon the Lord  
We will wait upon the Lord

You are the everlasting God  
The everlasting God  
You do not faint  
You won't grow weary  
You're the defender of the weak  
You comfort those in need  
You lift us up on wings like eagles

Our God, you reign forever  
Our hope, our strong deliverer

Written by Brenton Brown/Ken Riley ©2005 Thankyou Music EMI CCLI #4556538

**OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART**

BALOCHE

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord  
Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see you  
I want to see you

Holy, holy, holy  
We cry holy, holy, holy  
You are holy, holy, holy  
I want to see you

To see you high and lifted up  
Shinin' in the light of your glory  
Pour out your power and love  
As we sing holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy  
Holy, holy, holy  
You are holy, holy, holy  
I want to see you

Written by Paul Baloche ©1997 Integrity's Hosanna! Music CCLI# 2298355

**BE THE CENTER**

FRYE

Jesus, be the center  
Be my source, be my light, Jesus  
Jesus, be the center  
Be my hope, be my song, Jesus

Jesus, be my vision  
Be my path, be my guide, Jesus  
Jesus, be my vision  
Be my path, be my guide, Jesus

Be the fire in my heart  
Be the wind in these sails  
Be the reason that I live, Jesus, Jesus

Written by Michael Frye ©1999 Vineyard Songs (UK) CCLI 2640429

**DISMISSAL OF THE CHILDREN & THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

As the children are dismissed to participate in Gathering Kids activities, find someone you do not know, welcome them, and exchange a sign of Christ's welcome and peace. As the kids leave, please fill in the two center seating areas. There are bibles available for use on the back table if you didn't bring one.

**SERMON NOTES**

[Something I have learned.]

[Something I will share.]