



The Lake Junaluska Singers will give two Lakeshore Goes Broadway performances on July 17 and 18

LAKESHORE GOES BROADWAY

On the evenings of July 17 and 18, the Lake Junaluska Singers will bring the bright lights and excitement of Broadway to the shores of Lake Junaluska.

These performances, entitled Lakeshore Goes Broadway, will consist of a plated three-course meal accompanied by music from famous Broadway shows such as "Hamilton" and "Chicago."

The Singers, a 16-voice ensemble with a 60-year history at Lake Junaluska, have 11 returning members this year, allowing the group to pursue a wide range of musical choices and emotions.

Additionally, although the Lake Junaluska Singers often do light choreography during their performances, the addition of more Broadway music inspired more dance moves.

"This is the first year in my memory that we are going to have several pieces with intense dance demands," said Director Mary Huff. "There are two pieces that require very strong dancing skills and throughout the course of the evening there may even be a kick line."

The Lakeshore Goes Broadway event began in 2017 and sold out. This year, guests have the opportunity to choose between a Tuesday or Wednesday night performance.

Both nights of the performance begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Harrell Center Auditorium. Seating is limited.

Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased online at lakejunaluska.com/singers, by calling 800-222-4930 or at the Bethea Welcome Center.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JULY 15

Special Summer Worship Series

Join Bishop Lawrence McCleskey at the cross for a special evening worship service. There will be NO Summer Sunday School this week. Amphitheater under the cross, 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 16

Lakeside Devotion

Join devotion leader Julie Hagen for a time of reflection as you start the week. Harrell Center Porch, 8:30 a.m.

Taizé Service

Come together for a contemplative service of prayer and song in Memorial Chapel. The atmosphere encourages participants to slow down in the midst of fast-paced lives. Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

Monday Movie

Letters to Juliet

Bring a blanket or lounge chairs to enjoy a movie under the stars. Nanci Weldon Gym Lawn, 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 17

Mixed Flow Yoga

Relax as you enjoy yoga outdoors. Some yoga skill recommended for the mixed flow yoga classes, but all are welcome.

\$7 for residents and guests

\$14 for others

Inspiration Point, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Lakeshore Goes Broadway

Join the Lake Junaluska Singers for a three-course dinner as they perform favorite Broadway selections from shows both new and old. Buy tickets at lakejunaluska.com/singers, in the Bethea Welcome Center or by calling 800-222-4930. \$50 Harrell Center Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.

GLENN DRAPER BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED

Nearly 200 people gathered to celebrate the 90th birthday and legacy of former Lake Junaluska Singers Director Glenn Draper on July 7.

A festive worship service entitled "When in Our Music God is Glorified" was held in Memorial Chapel followed by a reception and birthday party for Draper in the Harrell Center Auditorium.

Around 20 alumni of the Lake Junaluska Singers participated in the worship service, and they joined with

the current Singers to perform anthems like "If Ye Love Me" and "He Never Failed Me Yet."

At the reception, Draper's wife, Lounelle, their sons and grandchildren were also in attendance.

"This was a huge experience for me, and it was so wonderful sharing about the good times with everyone who has been part of this through the years," said Draper. "The most rewarding thing was that former Singers would come back. I am so grateful. It was a fantastic event."



Director Mary Huff leads the Lake Junaluska Singers and alumni in Memorial Chapel. Around 200 individuals attended this celebration of Glenn Draper's 90th birthday.

PLANT OF THE WEEK:

BLACK-EYED SUSAN

With sunny yellow leaves and a dark seed head, black-eyed Susans add a bright happiness to any flower bed. A member of the sunflower family, black-eyed Susans do resemble their well-known cousins but grow shorter, bushier and with thicker seed heads. Lake Junaluska's black-eyed Susans are particularly tall for the species, growing well above the average 2 to 3 feet.

For more information, contact Roddy Ray, Lake Junaluska grounds and landscape manager, at r-ray@lakejunaluska.com.



Find the tall and sunny black-eyed Susan outside the Bethea Welcome Center.

SUMMER STAFF PROFILE: JULIE HAGEN PREPARES FOR SEMINARY

Those attending Summer Activities Program events the past week may have noticed a new face leading them. Her name is Julie Hagen, and during a lull in her youth ministry intern position at Lake Junaluska, she will spend three weeks working with the activities program.

Hagen, who will begin at Wesley Theological Seminary in the fall in pursuit of a Master of Divinity, has a true love of community and personal relationships.

"Part of being in a faith community is that you can go from one to the other and feel really accepted and loved," said Hagen. "So you get [to Lake Junaluska] and just feel loved."

During her nine-week internship, Hagen lives in Colonial Inn with the other

summer staff, including the other youth ministry interns, the Lake Junaluska Singers and the international staff.

So far, Hagen has particularly enjoyed attending and learning from the diverse worship services offered here.

"The more ways I can learn to connect with God, the more I can help guide and teach as I get older and my career goes on," said Hagen.

This summer is just one more step in Hagen's work in discerning her call to ministry. While others go into seminary with a clear idea of their future ministry, Hagen is enjoying the journey, led by her deep conviction to serve the church.

Moving forward in her faith and



Julie Hagen leads a board game on July 11 as part of the Summer Activities Program.

education, Hagen looks forward to immersing herself in her studies and learning varied ways to interpret scripture—always while making new connections with those she encounters.

Coming up, Hagen will lead the July 16 devotion and the July 19 bonfire, along with many future Summer Activities Events.

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GUEST PROFILE: SUMMER HARP ACADEMY

July 15 to 22, Lake Junaluska will host 18 harpists and their instructors during the sixth Summer Harp Academy.

The Academy is a comprehensive program designed to develop the versatile harpist. Instruction during the week covers topics both theoretical and practical, such as "Conquering Harmonics" and "Harp Maintenance 101."

The week also includes a faculty recital, daily master classes, lectures, ensemble rehearsals and performances.

"The area is beautiful and everyone is so pleasant to work with," said Christine Kercheval, administrative director. "We



Young harpists from the 2017 Summer Harp Academy at Lake Junaluska work on their skills.

love to share our music, and we love how excited everyone is to hear us."

The faculty concert will take place on Tuesday, July 17 at 7 p.m. The student concert will take place Saturday, July 21 at 3 p.m. Both concerts are at the First United Methodist Church of Waynesville and are open to the public.

HISTORICAL MOMENTS: INSPIRATION POINT

This summer, as part of the Summer Activities Program, individuals have the opportunity to attend yoga classes surrounded by the beauty of Inspiration Point.

This purpose of Inspiration Point, to provide quiet renewal, dates all the way back to 1921 when a rustic gazebo was built on the bluff for study and meditation. Located conveniently next to Centenary Mission Inn—now Lambuth Inn—the location gained a place in the hearts of those who visited.

After many years, the gazebo began to show its age, so, in 1999, several leaders and residents at Lake Junaluska started a campaign to redevelop the historic site into a garden. Work started on the garden that year.

When the garden was completed and dedicated in 2006, Inspiration Point officially became one of the 16 gardens at Lake Junaluska.

The finished garden includes blooming

landscaping, a serpentine path, a life-size statue of Christ and a prone cross—all designed to create an atmosphere of contemplation and beauty.

Hattie Polk, chairman of Inspiration Point, and her fellow chair members continue to improve the garden every year with the support of the community's charitable giving.

"I think the yoga is wonderful," Polk said when asked about this new activity happening at Inspiration Point. "I can't think of anything more appropriate. My concept of religion is very broad. It takes in your whole life and your whole body and everything about you."



A couple enjoys the view of the Lake Junaluska Cross at Inspiration Point.

THIS WEEK (CONTINUED)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

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Harrell Center Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 19

Sunrise Yoga

Experience the sunrise over Lake Junaluska while enjoying this unique summertime yoga class.

\$7 for residents and guests

\$14 for others

Inspiration Point, 6 a.m.

Gentle Yoga

Relax as you enjoy yoga outdoors.

All levels and abilities are encouraged to attend gentle yoga classes.

\$7 for residents and guests

\$14 for others

Inspiration Point, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Bonfire

Get to know your community around a cozy campfire.

Shackford Fire Pit, 7 p.m.

For more information about the Summer Activities Program, go to lakejunaluska.com/summeractivities

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LAST WEEK'S EVENTS IN PHOTOS



Incorporating art into the July 9 Monday devotional, leader Debra Church taught attendees how to make spiritual hats. Back Row: Anne Carty, Debra Church, Rex Taylor, Catherine Van Der Kamp Alons, Patsy Blalock, Melba Hanson, Bill Gattis, Fred : Front Row: Julie Hagen, Molly Wilkes, Irene Gattis



Glenn Draper (center) poses for a picture with attendees of his 90th birthday celebration.



Hazel Morgan and Lydia Ricks enjoy listening to the Blue Ridge Big Band on July 6.

SUMMER WORSHIP PROFILE: BISHOP LAWRENCE MCCLESKEY

On Sunday, July 15, Lake Junaluska resident Bishop Lawrence McCleskey will lead a special Summer Worship service at the amphitheater below the Lake Junaluska Cross at 7 p.m.

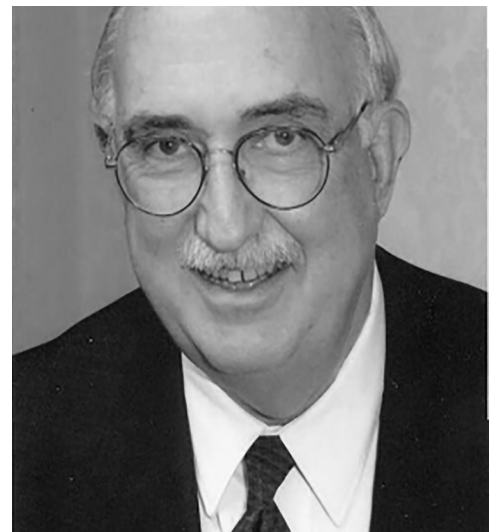
McCleskey will draw inspiration from Mark 6: 45-52, the story of Jesus walking on water, which is sure to be especially impactful as attendees sit lakeside and observe the beauty of the surroundings.

Bishop Lawrence McCleskey was elected to the UMC episcopacy in 1996 and served eight years as the resident bishop in the South Carolina Conference and four in the Western North Carolina Conference before retiring in 2008.

His ministry has been marked by an emphasis on education, mission and racial reconciliation through work in local churches, general church boards and universities.

Currently, he volunteers as the executive vice president for development of the Africa University (Zimbabwe) Development Office, raising funds for the university's scholarships, endowment and capital projects.

He has life-long connections to Lake Junaluska. He married his wife, Margaret, in Memorial Chapel 55 years ago.



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