



*Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church  
World Communion Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022*

**Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church  
Community Worship Service & Communion  
World Communion Sunday**

**Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022**

<b>9:30 A.M. Livestream is available on the LTUMC YouTube channel: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqtuJe20i8DN7S_Cfg1sWCq">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqtuJe20i8DN7S_Cfg1sWCq</a></b>
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**RINGING OF THE BELL – *Please observe silence as we prepare for the service.***

**PRELUDE**

Morning Has Broken arr. John A. Behnke

**CALL TO WORSHIP (*Please stand*)**

*When we feel spiritually homeless, where can we turn for help?*

***Our help is in the grace of God.***

*When we are imprisoned in our suffering, where can we turn for solace?*

***Our solace is in the mercy of Christ.***

*When we are trapped in the grip of misfortune, where can we turn for strength?*

***Our strength is in the power of the Holy Spirit.***

*Come! Let us worship God, our guide and guardian.*

**HYMN #145 (*Please remain standing*)**

Morning Has Broken

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**OPENING PRAYER (*Please be seated*)**

***Merciful God, though you often feel far from us, you meet us in our need.***

***When our mouths know the taste of bitter tears, you bring us to the feast of your love and mercy. When grief threatens to steal our joy, you remind us to sing of happier times. When adversaries enjoy our misfortune, you rekindle the hope that lies hidden within us. When fear robs us of our courage, you fill us with the daring to begin anew. Be with us in this time of worship, that we may be brought back to life, through the grace of your Son, who walks with us in the journey of faith. Amen.***

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (#881 The Apostles' Creed) (Please stand)**

***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 Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at 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 Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.***

**THE GLORIA PATRI #70 (Please remain standing)**

***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.***

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.  
(Let us offer our silent confessions.)*

***God of eternal return, in times of bitter loss, we yearn to be called home.  
How often have we felt like exiles of Israel who sat down by the waters of  
Babylon to weep at all they had lost? How often have we felt like Paul who  
was persecuted and locked away for his convictions and beliefs? Yet we  
cringe at Paul's invitation to join him in suffering for the gospel. We want to  
pick up our cross and be counted among the faithful, but we can't seem to  
leave our hurts behind. Help us be the people you call us to be, and give us  
the courage to follow you anew in the power and strength of your loving  
Spirit. Amen.***

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*Even in our doubt, God gives us a spirit of power, love, and self-discipline. Even in our failure to find meaning, Christ gives us the gospel of truth. Even in our despair, the Spirit gives us treasure from heaven to strengthen us on our way. Rejoice in the mercy of our God.*

***In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Let us rejoice in the mercy of God!***

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS *(Please be seated)***

### **Lamentations 1:1-6**

- 1:1 How lonely sits the city that once was full of people! How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the provinces has become a vassal.
- 1:2 She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies.
- 1:3 Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude; she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting place; her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress.
- 1:4 The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals; all her gates are desolate, her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter.
- 1:5 Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper, because the LORD has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe.
- 1:6 From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty. Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.

### **Psalm 137 *(Psalter Lesson ~ Please read the bold text)***

- 137:1 By the rivers of Babylon-- there we sat down and there we wept when we remembered Zion.
- 137:2 On the willows there we hung up our harps.
- 137:3 For there our captors asked us for songs, and our tormentors asked for mirth, saying, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!"
- 137:4 How could we sing the Lord's song in a foreign land?
- 137:5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right-hand wither!
- 137:6 Let my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth, if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.
- 137:7 Remember, O LORD, against the Edomites the day of Jerusalem's fall, how they said, "Tear it down! Tear it down! Down to its foundations!"
- 137:8 O daughter Babylon, you devastator! Happy shall they be who pay you back what you have done to us!
- 137:9 Happy shall they be who take your little ones and dash them against the rock!

## **2 Timothy 1:1-14 (Epistle Reading)**

- 1:1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,
- 1:2 To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.
- 1:3 I am grateful to God--whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did--when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day.
- 1:4 Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy.
- 1:5 I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you.
- 1:6 For this reason, I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands;
- 1:7 for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.
- 1:8 Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God,
- 1:9 who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began,
- 1:10 but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.
- 1:11 For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher,
- 1:12 and for this reason, I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him.
- 1:13 Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.
- 1:14 Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

## **Luke 17:5-10 (Please stand for the Gospel)**

- 17:5 The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!"
- 17:6 The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.
- 17:7 "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'?
- 17:8 Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'?
- 17:9 Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded?

17:10 So, you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

*L: This is the word of the Lord for the people of Christ.*

***P: Thanks be to God.***

## **SERMON**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

## **OFFERING**

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## **OFFERTORY**

Prelude on "Dove of Peace"      Gilbert M. Martin

## **DOXOLOGY #95 *(Please stand)***

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***You call us to bloom where we are planted, O God, even when we feel like strangers in a foreign land. You invite us to play instruments and sing songs of joy, even when our hearts are heavy, and our spirits cry out in anguish. God of tender mercy, you alone can turn our tears of sadness into tears of joy. May the gifts we bring before you this day turn groans of despair into shouts of mirth and gladness. Bless this offering with your abundant power, that the world may know your grace and find life in the midst of death. Amen.***

## **HYMN OF PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION**

## **HYMN #618**

Let Us Break Bread Together  
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## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*The Lord be with you.*

***And also with you.***

*Lift up your hearts.*

***We lift them up to the Lord.***

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

*The pastor gives thanks and remembers God's acts of salvation, and concludes:...and so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

***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.***

*The pastor continues the thanksgiving. The institution of the Lord's Supper is recalled. The pastor concludes:...and so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering*

*for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:*

***Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.***

*The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER #895**

***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.***

## **BREAKING THE BREAD**

### **GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

### **COMMUNION PRAYER**

***Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves to others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

**CLOSING HYMN #617 (Please stand)**

I Come with Joy

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**BENEDICTION (Responsive)**

*With Christians around the world, go forth to bear witness in a divided and broken world.*

***Knit together in Christian love, we leave here to share living bread with a world starving for spiritual food.***

*With Christians around the world, go forth blessed through fellowship with Christ to be in union with God and the Holy Spirit.*

***Woven together in Christian hope, we leave to share the cup of salvation with a world dying of thirst. Amen.***

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #393 (Located in the back of the bulletin)**

**POSTLUDE (Please be seated)**

Someone's Singing Lord arr. John A. Behnke

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Flowers in the Fellowship Hall:**

**Bob and Lee Cowan** have provided flowers in the Fellowship Hall as there is no space for flowers on the Altar for Communion Sunday.

**Welcome New LTUMC Members**

Please extend a warm welcome to **Brian and Debra Singleton & Bob & Jane Toney**, our newest LTUMC members.

**Next Monthly Potluck**

Our next potluck/covered dish is **Tuesday, October 4th at 6:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall.

**Coffee Hour in the Fellowship Hall after our Service today**

Please stop in the Fellowship Hall to meet new old friends over a cup of coffee. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall. Please -reach out to **Nancee Salyer at 314-443-1017**

**Administrative Council Meeting**

The next Administrative Council meeting will be **Friday, October 14th at 3:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. Please reach out to Tom Blackstock with questions.

**Are you interested in joining LTUMC?**

If you are interested in joining our church, please e-mail both Marcus Dodson, our pastor at [marcus61dodson@gmail.com](mailto:marcus61dodson@gmail.com) and Saunders Grommesh our church administrator at [administrator@laketoxawayumc.org](mailto:administrator@laketoxawayumc.org) with your contact information.

**Announcement Deadline**

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, please get it to Saunders before 5:00 PM Tuesday to ensure they are printed on time.

### **PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY**

***Please pray for Dale and Leigh Ashman, Jacob Jones, Dee Seropian, Dave Wilkes, Jack Jeter, Renee Alexander, Donna Parker, Marty Young, Chad & Anne Zimmerman, Lonnie Taylor, Ted Mullett, Suzanne Forsyth, Rachel Johnson, Lauren Usher, Russ Nulph and Frank Hardin.***

***Please pray for those having or had a surgery and their recovery.***

***We lift up those who are actively searching for employment and pray for perseverance for them.***

***Our heartfelt prayers for all who have experienced the recent passing of a loved one.***

***Please continue to pray for our student scholars, local students, teachers and staff.***

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Liturgist: Scott Walter

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## Morning Has Broken (text only)

1. Morning has broken  
like the first morning,  
blackbird has spoken  
like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing!  
Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing  
fresh from the Word!

2. Sweet the rain's new fall  
sunlit from heaven,  
like the first dewfall  
on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness  
of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness  
where God's feet pass.

3. Mine is the sunlight!  
Mine is the morning  
born of the one light  
Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation,  
praise every morning,  
God's recreation  
of the new day!

# 618 Let Us Break Bread Together

1. Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)  
 (2. Let us) drink wine to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)  
 (3. Let us) praise God to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)

let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees)  
 let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees)  
 let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees)

When I fall on my knees with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer-cy on me. (on me) 1, 2  
(.) \*  
 2. Let us  
 3. Let us

(.)

\* May end after stanza 3

WORDS: Afro-American spiritual (Acts 2:42)

MUSIC: Afro-American spiritual; adapt. and arr. by William Farley Smith, 1986

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LET US BREAK BREAD

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EUCCHARIST (HOLY COMMUNION OR THE LORD'S SUPPER)

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me) 4. Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)

The first system of music features a treble staff with a melodic line and a bass staff with a harmonic accompaniment. A bracket above the first three measures of the treble staff is labeled with the number '3'. The lyrics are positioned between the two staves.

let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees)

The second system continues the musical piece with similar notation and lyrics.

When I fall on my knees with my face to the ris-ing sun,

The third system continues the musical piece with similar notation and lyrics.

O Lord, have mercy if you please. (if you please)

*Fine*

The fourth system concludes the musical piece with similar notation and lyrics. A 'Fine' marking is placed at the end of the treble staff.

# I Come with Joy

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*Unison*

1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, for - giv - en,  
 2. I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as  
 3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud di -  
 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His pres - ence,  
 5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll go our

loved and free, in awe and won - der to re - call his  
 all are fed, the new com - mun - i - ty of love in  
 vi - sion ends. The love that made us makes us one, and  
 al - ways near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known; we  
 dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple in the world, we'll

life laid down for me, his life laid down for me.  
 Christ's com - mun - ion bread, in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.  
 see and praise him here, we see and praise him here.  
 live and speak his praise, we'll live and speak his praise.

WORDS: Brian Wren, 1968 (1 Cor. 10:16-17)

MUSIC: *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1987

DOVE OF PEACE  
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## Spirit of the Living God

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

WORDS: Daniel Iverson, 1926; adapt. (Acts 11:15)  
 MUSIC: Daniel Iverson, 1926

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