



*Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church*  
*Sunday, March 6th 2022*

**Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church**  
**Community Worship Service & Communion**  
**First Sunday of Lent, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**9:30 A.M. Livestream is available on the LTUMC YouTube channel:**  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgtuJe20i8DN7S\\_Cfg1sWCg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgtuJe20i8DN7S_Cfg1sWCg)

**RINGING OF THE BELL – *Please observe silence as we prepare for the service.***

**PRELUDE**

Wondrous Love    arr. Dale Wood

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*L: Long ago, God rescued God's people from slavery.*

***P: We are enslaved today in many different ways.***

*L: God can and will rescue us. Place your trust in God's love.*

***P: Our hope is in the Lord who is our refuge and our strength.***

*L: Even though temptations surround us, drawing us away from God,*

***P: We will continue to follow God and trust in God's ways. AMEN.***

**HYMN #73**

O Worship the King

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**OPENING PRAYER**

***Faithful One, the promises you made to our ancestors continue even to this day. We too share the bounty of your blessings, dwelling in a land flowing with milk and honey. Burn the truth of Paul's words into our very souls: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Amen.***

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

***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**

***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.)*

***In a world which values gambling, risking, taking dares, Lord, we come to  
this time of temptation. We confess that we are often enticed to take the risk  
for the rewards, often financial, offered if you win. Just "a dollar and a  
dream" and we hear the glory stories of people receiving great monetary  
wealth; later, we discover how many lives have been destroyed by this grand  
prize. Forgive us when we hunger for the wealth and power the world  
dangles before us. Move us from greed to gratitude for your blessings. Heal  
our wounded spirits and lives, so that we may fully serve you. Prepare us for  
this journey of discipleship and healing. In Jesus' name, we pray. AMEN.***

#### **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*God will provide for your needs. Place your trust in God. You are not alone. God is with  
you always. The world cannot offer to you such abiding riches as the presence of God.  
AMEN.*

***In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.***

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### Deuteronomy 26:1-11

- 26:1 When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it,
- 26:2 you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name.
- 26:3 You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us."
- 26:4 When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God,
- 26:5 you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous.
- 26:6 When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us,
- 26:7 we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.
- 26:8 The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders;
- 26:9 and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey.
- 26:10 So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God.
- 26:11 Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

### Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 (Please read the bold text)

- 91:1 You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
- 91:2 will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."**
- 91:9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place,
- 91:10 no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.**
- 91:11 For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
- 91:12 On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.**

91:13 You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

**91:14 Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.**

91:15 When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them.

**91:16 With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

### **Romans 10:8b-13**

10:8b "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim);

10:9 because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

10:10 For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.

10:11 The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame."

10:12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.

10:13 For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

### **Luke 4:1-13 (Please stand for the Gospel)**

4:1 Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness,

4:2 where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished.

4:3 The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread."

4:4 Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

4:5 Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world.

4:6 And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please.

4:7 If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours."

4:8 Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

4:9 Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here,

4:10 for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,'

4:11 and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

4:12 Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

4:13 When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

*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**

There is a Fountain arr. Sam Batt Owens

## **DOXOLOGY #95**

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***Mighty God, as we remember the strength of Jesus facing the temptation offered by the devil, we remember too clearly how the temptations of food, of authority, and power have overcome us. We've been tricked to believe our wants were needs and more is always better. May we offer our gifts to you this day with generosity and gratitude; strengthen us to resist temptation that would present security or power in anyone but you. In Christ, we pray. Amen.***

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

#### **HYMN #269**

Lord, Who Throughout these Forty Days  
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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 #399**

Take My Life and Let it Be Consecrated  
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### **BENEDICTION**

### **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #393**

***Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Amen.***

### **POSTLUDE**

Prelude in G minor      Johann Krebs

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Our Daily Bread**

We have copies of Our Daily Bread devotional for the next quarter: March – May 2022. They are located at both doors of the sanctuary and some are in the Fellowship Hall.

### **Mask Policy Update**

Our LTUMC mask policy from the Worship Committee as of 3-1-2022

- We welcome all to worship our Lord and Savior.
- **Wearing masks in the sanctuary and fellowship hall are not required.**
- We remain committed to the Wesleyan call "to do no harm," and ask you to stay at home and worship virtually with us if you do not feel well.

### **Monthly Fellowship Cover Dish/Potluck Dinners**

We will have monthly fellowship dinners in the Fellowship Hall the first Wednesday of the month for **April 6th and May 4th at 6:00 PM**. We will then switch to the first **Tuesday of the month for June 7th, July 5th, August 2 and September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM**.

### **Coffee Hour Resumes**

We are starting Coffee Hour today immediately following the service in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great way to meet new old friends over a cup of coffee and to read the thank you notes from our student scholars from the agencies we support through our Outreach. Please sign-up for a Sunday in the Fellowship Hall. We ask you bring enough food for ~30 people. If you have any questions, please reach out to **Nancee Salyer at 314-443-1017 or [nsalyer331@aol.com](mailto:nsalyer331@aol.com)**

### **Lenten devotionals**

We are asking the congregation to write a Lenten devotional like we did last year and will need **40 volunteers**. Please discern and send your devotional to **Scott Walter at [scotlaw@aol.com](mailto:scotlaw@aol.com)**. The Lenten devotionals will be available here for you to read at your leisure. <https://www.laketoxawayumc.org/index.php/lenten-devotionals-2022>

## **PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Please pray for Don Guffey, La'Bruce & Suzanne Hanahan, Laura Whitehurst's parents, Jacob Jones, the nephew of John and Char Holbrook, Clyde Biddle, Janet & Ed English, Dee Seropian, Dave Wilkes, Jack Jeter, Renee Alexander, John & Sue Thomas, Donna Parker, Chad & Anne Zimmerman, Marty Young, Cathie Fussell's brother, Lonnie Taylor and nephew, Jeff Tilley, Bobbi Moore's sister, Nancy Schubert and Frank Hardin.**

**Please pray for those having or had surgery for recovery, those who have had the death of a loved one recently. Especially for the recent passing of Barbara Cline-Sanibel, Judy Lefler's friend.**

**Please pray for our student scholars.**

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## O Worship the King

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1. O wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove,  
 2. O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace,  
 3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,  
 4. Thy boun - ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite?  
 5. Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

O grate - ful - ly sing God's power and God's love;  
 whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space,  
 Al - might - y, thy power hath found - ed of old;  
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
 in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;

our Shield and De - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,  
 whose char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,  
 hath stab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,  
 it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,  
 thy mer - cies how ten - der, how firm to the end,

pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.  
 and dark is God's path on the wings of the storm.  
 and round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.  
 our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend.

WORDS: Robert Grant, 1833 (Ps. 104)  
 MUSIC: Attr. to Johann Michael Haydn; arr. by William Gardiner, 1815

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# Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days 269

1. Lord, who through-out these for-ty days for  
 2. As thou with Sa-tan didst con-tend, and  
 3. As thou didst hun-ger bear, and thirst, so  
 4. And through these days of pen-i-tence, and  
 5. A-bide with us, that so, this life of

us didst fast and pray, teach us with thee to  
 didst the vic-tory win, O give us strength in  
 teach us, gra-cious Lord, to die to self, and  
 through thy pas-sion-tide, yea, ev-er-more in  
 suf-fering o-ver past, an Eas-ter of un-

mourn our sins and close by thee to stay.  
 thee to fight, in thee to con-quer sin.  
 chief-ly live by thy most ho-ly word.  
 life and death, Je-sus, with us a-bide.  
 end-ing joy we may at-tain at last.

WORDS: Claudia F. Hernaman, 1873 (Mt. 4:1-11; Mk. 1:12-13; Lk. 4:1-13)

MUSIC: USA folk melody; arr. by Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938;

harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1988

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# 399 Take My Life, and Let It Be

1. Take my life, and let it be con - se - cra - ted,  
 2. Take my voice, and let me sing al - ways, on - ly,  
 3. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no

Lord, to thee. Take my mo - ments and my days;  
 for my King. Take my lips, and let them be  
 long - er mine. Take my heart, it is thine own;

let them flow in cease - less praise. Take my hands, and  
 filled with mes - sag - es from thee. Take my sil - ver  
 it shall be thy roy - al throne. Take my love, my

let them move at the im - pulse of thy love.  
 and my gold; not a mite would I with - hold.  
 Lord, I pour at thy feet its trea - sure - store.

Take my feet, and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 Take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.  
 Take my-self, and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

WORDS: Frances R. Havergal, 1873 (Rom. 12:1)  
 MUSIC: Louis J. F. Hérold, 1839; arr. by George Kingsley, 1839

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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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