



*Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church*  
*Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022*

**Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church**  
**Community Worship Service**  
**Third Sunday after Pentecost, June 26th**

**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**

Pastorale on "St. Anne" Paul Manz

**GREETING (*Please stand*)**

*God is a God who calls.*

***We have gathered to worship and to hear that call.***

*God is a God who equips.*

***We are here to worship and to be shaped into the body of Christ.***

*God is a God who sends.*

***We are here to worship so that we can carry that spirit of worship out into the world where we live.***

*God is a God who blesses.*

***We are here to worship and to request a double share of that blessing.***

*Let us worship God.*

***Amen!***

**HYMN #117 (*Please remain standing*)**

O God, Our Help in Ages

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

***Holy God,***

***we come before you today:***

***full of hope,***

***full of desire,***

***full of promise.***

***Help us take up the mantle of faith***

***you have laid before us,***

***that we may use our own gifts of the Spirit***

***to face the challenges before us.***

***Help us face the turmoil***

***within and around us,***

*that we may face the future unafraid.  
Show us your way, your truth,  
and your life. Amen.*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** *(Please remain seated)*

**2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14**

- 2:1 Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal.
- 2:2 Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So, they went down to Bethel.
- 2:6 Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So, the two of them went on.
- 2:7 Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan.
- 2:8 Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.
- 2:9 When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit."
- 2:10 He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not."
- 2:11 As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven.
- 2:12 Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.
- 2:13 He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan.
- 2:14 He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

**1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21** *(Please read the bold text)*

- 19:15 Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram.**
- 19:16 Also, you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.
- 19:19 So, he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he**

**was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him.**

19:20 He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?"

**19:21 He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.**

### **Galatians 5:1, 13-25**

- 5:1 For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.
- 5:13 For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another.
- 5:14 For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
- 5:15 If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.
- 5:16 Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh.
- 5:17 For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want.
- 5:18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law.
- 5:19 Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness,
- 5:20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions,
- 5:21 envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.
- 5:22 By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness,
- 5:23 gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things.
- 5:24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.
- 5:25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit

### **Luke 9:51-62 (Please stand for the Gospel)**

- 9:51 When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem.
- 9:52 And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him;
- 9:53 but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem.

- 9:54 When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?"
- 9:55 But he turned and rebuked them.
- 9:56 Then they went on to another village.
- 9:57 As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."
- 9:58 And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head."
- 9:59 To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."
- 9:60 But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God."
- 9:61 Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home."
- 9:62 Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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

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

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

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

***Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.*

***In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.***

***Thanks be to God!***

## **HOMILY**

### **STATEMENT OF FAITH #885 (A Modern Affirmation) (Please stand)**

***Pastor:***

*Where the Spirit of the Lord is,  
there is the one true church, apostolic and universal,  
whose holy faith let us now declare:*

***Pastor and People***

***We believe in God the Father,***

*infinite in wisdom, power and love,  
whose mercy is over all his works,  
and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.*  
**We believe in Jesus Christ,**  
*Son of God and Son of man,  
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,  
the ground of our hope,  
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.*  
**We believe in the Holy Spirit**  
*as the divine presence in our lives,  
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance  
of the truth of Christ,  
and find strength and help in time of need.*  
**We believe that this faith should manifest itself**  
*in the service of love  
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,  
to the end  
that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.*

#### **GLORIA PATRI (UMH #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.*

#### **HYMN #430**

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee  
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#### **OFFERING**

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#### **OFFERTORY**

Give Thanks arr. Douglas E. Wagner

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

#### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*Loving and welcoming God, we have come through a time in our lives when, for many months, we sheltered in our homes: working from home, learning from home, worshiping from home. As we bring our tithes and offering to you this morning, you open our minds to a wider definition of home and a broader definition of family. May the gifts we give today find their way to home projects: ways this world can feel like a safer, more loving home to all your children. In Christ's holy name, we pray. Amen.*

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE WITH THE 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.***

**CLOSING HYMN #398**

Jesus Calls Us

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**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE (*Please be seated*)**

Festive Postlude Robert J. Powell

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Flowers on the Altar**

*The arrangement on the altar for the month of June is from Bob and Jean Merritt in memory of loved ones lost.*

**Summer Ushers Needed**

*What an exciting time to see the pews full again for the summer. You do not need to light the candles. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall or call or e-mail John Shoemaker, the coordinator for the ushers at: [trestlegap@gmail.com](mailto:trestlegap@gmail.com) or 828-553-5754.*

**Back porch Bible Study**

*The Bible study will be held Mondays at 1:00 at the Lake Toxaway Country Club and is open to all ladies. This summer we are studying Priscilla Shirer's *The Armor of God*. If you have any questions, please contact Leslie Brown at [leslieiveybrown@gmail.com](mailto:leslieiveybrown@gmail.com) or 704-560-5628.*

**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. If you want to sign-up to bring something, please do so in the Fellowship Hall. If you have questions, please reach out to **Nancee Salyer at 314-443-1017***

**Monthly Potluck/Covered Dish**

*Thank you to Tom Blackstock for cooking the wonderful BBQ and for everyone who brought a side to our June dinner. **Our next dinner will be July 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.***

**Administrative Council Meeting Rescheduled**

*The Administrative Council meeting is Friday, July 8th at 3:00 PM in person in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please may e-mail Tom at [tom.blackstock@gmail.com](mailto:tom.blackstock@gmail.com)*

**Building Committee Update**

*The latest Building Committee updates including drawings are available on our website and on the LTUMC app. If you have questions please reach out to Scott Walter, the Building Committee Chair at 314-374-2969 or [scotlaw@aol.com](mailto:scotlaw@aol.com).*

**LTUMC App is available**

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Google Store link: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.app.laketoxawayumc>

**Announcement Deadline Reminder**

*Please submit your announcements to Saunders by Tuesday at 5:00 PM in order to meet our print deadline.*

**PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY**

***Please pray for Dale and Leigh Ashman, Sherry Minnich's brother-in-law and sister, Jacob Jones, the nephew of John and Char Holbrook, Janet English, Dee Seropian, Marty Young, Dave Wilkes, Jack Jeter, Renee Alexander, Donna Parker, Chad & Anne Zimmerman, 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 and their recovery and especially for Joy Davis, Sandy Ferguson's neighbor.***

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

***Please pray for our student scholars over the summer.***

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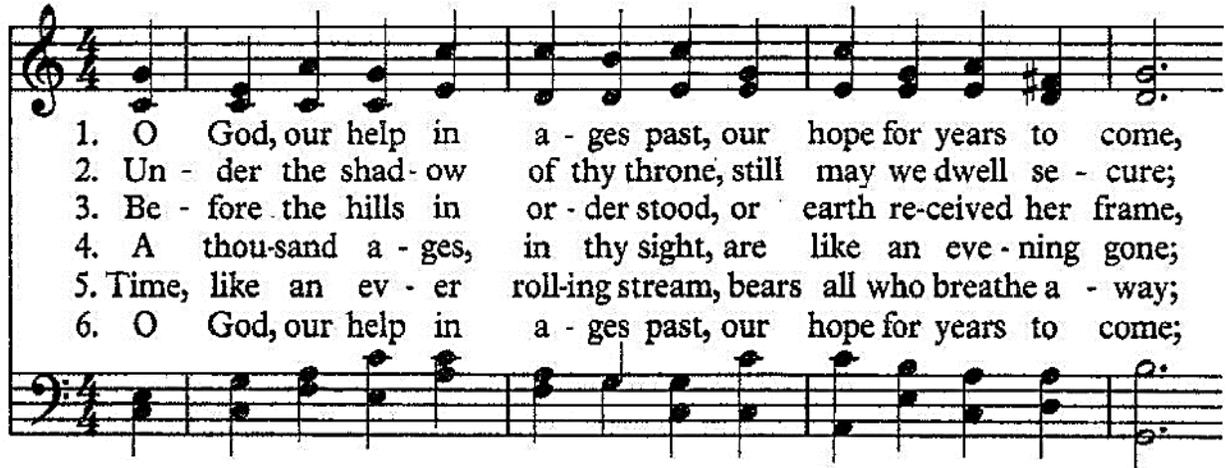
Audio/Visual for Livestream Chair: Andy Harvill

Liturgist: Lysa Riggs

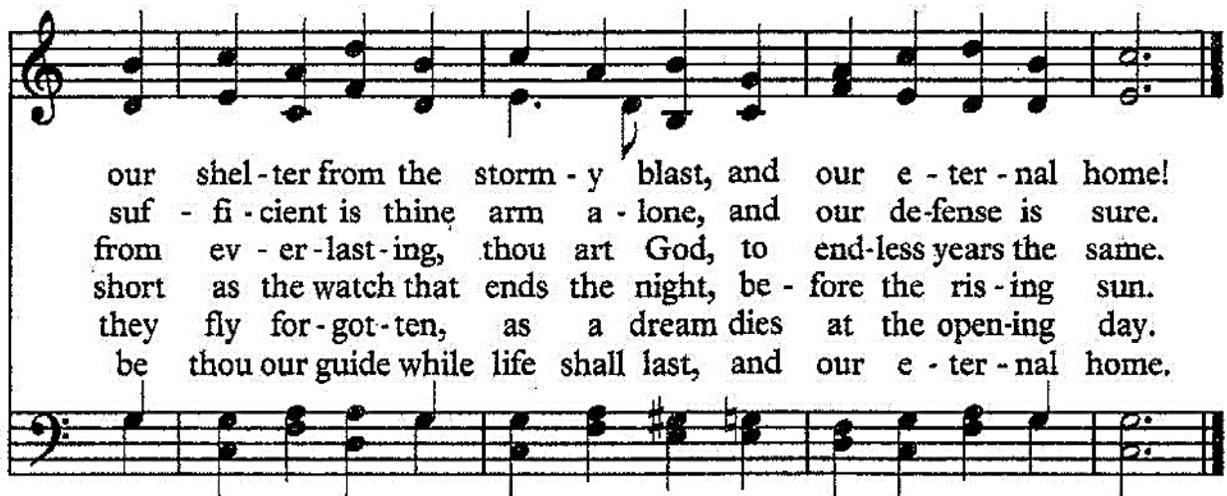
***Hymns are located on the next few pages.***

THE GLORY OF THE TRIUNE GOD

# 117 O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,  
2. Un - der the shad - ow of thy throne, still may we dwell se - cure;  
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,  
4. A thou - sand a - ges, in thy sight, are like an eve - ning gone;  
5. Time, like an ev - er roll - ing stream, bears all who breathe a - way;  
6. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come;



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home!  
suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.  
from ev - er - last - ing, thou art God, to end - less years the same.  
short as the watch that ends the night, be - fore the ris - ing sun.  
they fly for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the open - ing day.  
be thou our guide while life shall last, and our e - ter - nal home.

WORDS: Isaac Watts, 1719 (Ps. 90)

MUSIC: Attr. to William Croft, 1708; harm. by W. H. Monk, 1861

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# O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee 430

1. O Mas-ter, let me walk with thee in low - ly  
2. Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,  
3. Teach me thy pa-tience; still with thee in clos - er,  
4. In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

paths of ser - vice free; tell me thy se - cret;  
win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward  
dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith  
fu - ture's broad - ening way, in peace that on - ly

help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.  
fect to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.  
sweet and strong, in trust that tri-umphs o - ver wrong;  
thou canst give, with thee, O Mas-ter, let me live.

WORDS: Washington Gladden, 1879  
MUSIC: H. Percy Smith, 1874

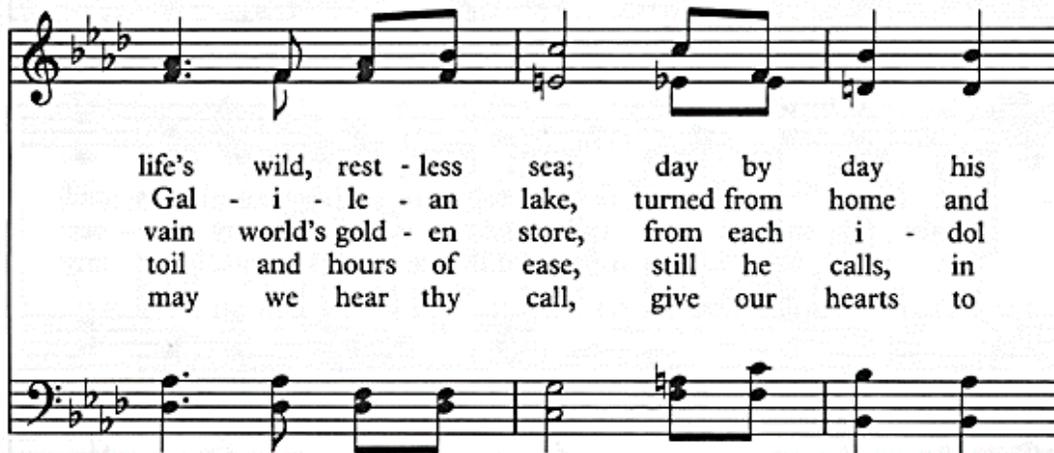
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## Jesus Calls Us

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1. Je - sus calls us o'er the tu - mult of our  
 2. As of old the a - pos - tles heard it by the  
 3. Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the  
 4. In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of  
 5. Je - sus calls us! By thy mer - cies, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea; day by day his  
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and  
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol  
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in  
 may we hear thy call, give our hearts to



sweet voice sound - eth, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me!"  
 toil and kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.  
 that would keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more!"  
 cares and plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these!"  
 thine o - be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.