



*Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church*  
*Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022*

**Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church**  
**Community Worship Service**  
**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, July 10th**

**9:30 A.M. Livestream is available on the LTUMC YouTube channel:**  
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**RINGING OF THE BELL – *Please observe silence as we prepare for the service.***

**PRELUDE**

This is My Father's World arr. Michael Burkhardt

**GREETING (*Please stand*)**

*L: The world cries to us in its distress. How shall we answer?*

***P: We cannot pass by as though nothing is wrong.***

*L: How shall we answer?*

***P: We cannot become so focused on ourselves that others mean nothing to us.***

*L: How shall we answer?*

***P: We shall be the neighbor in service, reconciliation and compassion wherever we can. In Jesus' Holy Name. AMEN.***

**HYMN #89 (*Please remain standing*)**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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

***Our hope is in you, Lord,  
our hearts belong to heaven.  
Our hope comes from the gospel,  
the word of the truth  
that you brought to us.  
May it bear abundant fruit  
in our lives.  
Let the whole world  
be filled with your hope!  
As we grow in faith,  
help us truly comprehend your grace, O God;  
help us understand this amazing grace,  
as we seek to lead lives worthy of you, O Lord.  
In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.***

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

### **Amos 7:7-17**

- 7:7 This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand.
- 7:8 And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by;
- 7:9 the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."
- 7:10 Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words.
- 7:11 For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"
- 7:12 And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there;
- 7:13 but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."
- 7:14 Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees,
- 7:15 and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'
- 7:16 "Now therefore hear the word of the LORD. You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.'"
- 7:17 Therefore, thus says the LORD: 'Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.'"

### **Deuteronomy 30:9-14** *(Please read the bold text)*

- 30:9 and the LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors,
- 30:10 when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.**
- 30:11 Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away.
- 30:12 It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?"**

30:13 Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?"

**30:14 No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.**

### **Colossians 1:1-14**

1:1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

1:2 To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

1:3 In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

1:4 for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints,

1:5 because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel

1:6 that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God.

1:7 This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf,

1:8 and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

1:9 For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,

1:10 so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God.

1:11 May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully

1:12 giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

1:13 He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son,

1:14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

### **Luke 10:25-37 (Please stand for the Gospel)**

10:25 Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

10:26 He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?"

10:27 He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."

- 10:28 And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."
- 10:29 But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"
- 10:30 Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead.
- 10:31 Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.
- 10:32 So likewise, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.
- 10:33 But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity.
- 10:34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.
- 10:35 The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.'
- 10:36 Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?"
- 10:37 He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

*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.)*

***You stand beside a wall  
with a plumb line in your hand, Lord—  
the wall that I have built.  
What once was a straight, strong wall of protection,  
a sanctuary against all that might harm me,  
is now revealed as a bowed, bulging,  
weak wall of separation  
that I have used to conceal myself  
within a dark prison of my own making.  
I know that your perfect judgment  
finds me wanting.  
Free me, Lord;  
I am my own worst enemy.  
Level my feeble fortress,  
and rebuild me in the strength of your love***

***and your forgiveness.  
Lead me from my darkness  
into your light. Amen.***

### **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*We no longer belong to the power of darkness.  
We belong to the kingdom of the Son of God,  
Christ Jesus, who has set us free  
and forgiven our sins.*

*Remember the hope stored up for us in heaven—  
the hope that flamed into life  
when we first heard the good news;  
the hope of the glory to come;  
the hope we have in Christ Jesus.*

***In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
Glory to God. Amen.***

### **HOMILY**

#### **STATEMENT OF FAITH #887 (Romans 8:35, 37-39) (Please stand)**

*Leader:*

*Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?*

*Shall tribulation or distress,*

*or persecution or famine,*

*or nakedness or peril or sword?*

***People:***

***No,***

***In all things we are more than conquerors***

***Through the One who loved us.***

***We are sure that neither***

***death nor life,***

***nor angels, nor principalities,***

***nor things present, nor things to come,***

***nor powers, nor height, nor depth,***

***nor anything else in all creation,***

***will be able to separate us from the love of God***

***in Christ Jesus our Lord.***

***Thanks be to God! 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.***

#### **BAPTISM**

*Josephine Guthy*

## HYMN #454

Open My Eyes, That I May See  
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## OFFERING

<https://www.wnccumc.org/online-donations-to-churches>

## OFFERTORY

Open My Eyes      arr. Emma Lou Diemer

## DOXOLOGY *(Please stand)*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Bountiful God, your love bears the fruit of hope and grace; your ways lead to fullness of life. May today's offering bear fruit in our world, that your love may cause old hatreds to cease, old wounds heal, and old divisions mend. 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 #577

God of Grace and God of Glory  
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## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE *(Please be seated)*

Hymn to Joy      arr. Albert L. Travis

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Today's Baptism**

We celebrate **Josephine Guthy's** Baptism today. Parents are **Anna and Connor Guthy**. Anna's grandparents were active at LTUMC for many years.

### **LTUMC Name Tags**

We have name tags available in the Fellowship Hall before and after the service. Please e-mail Saunders at [administrator@laketoxawayumc.org](mailto:administrator@laketoxawayumc.org) if you need to order one.

### **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.

### **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**

***Our next dinner will be August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.***

### **Building Committee Update**

*The latest Building Committee updates including drawings are available on our website and on the LTUMC app. <https://www.laketoxawayumc.org/index.php/building-committee>  
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**

*Please download our Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church from either the Apple App Store or the Google Store from one of the links below.*

*Apple App Store link: <https://apps.apple.com/eg/app/lake-toxaway-umc/id1572707591>*

*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, Jacob Jones, Janet English, Dee Seropian, Marty Young, Dave Wilkes, Jack Jeter, Renee Alexander, Donna Parker, Chad & Anne Zimmerman, Lonnie Taylor, Jeff Tilley, Nancy Schubert and Frank Hardin.***

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

***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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Liturgist: Arlene Hendrix or Carole Guffey

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

## 89 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee



1. Joy-ful, joy-ful, we a-dore thee, God of glo-ry, Lord of love;
2. All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re-flect thy rays,
3. Thou art giv-ing and for-giv-ing, ev-er bless-ing, ev-er blest,
4. Mor-tals, join the might-y cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan;



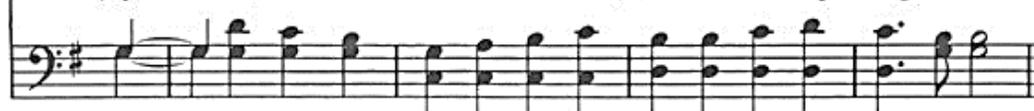
hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, open-ing to the sun a-bove.  
 stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.  
 well-spring of the joy of liv-ing, o-cean depth of hap-py rest!  
 love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, bind-ing all with-in its span.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a-way.  
 Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flow-ery mead-ow, flash-ing sea,  
 Thou our Fa-ther, Christ our broth-er, all who live in love are thine;  
 Ev-er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic-tors in the midst of strife;



Giv-er of im-mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day!  
 chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re-joice in thee.  
 teach us how to love each oth-er, lift us to the joy di-vine.  
 joy-ful mu-sic leads us sun-ward, in the tri-umph song of life.



# 454 Open My Eyes, That I May See

1. O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps - es of truth thou  
 2. O - pen my ears, that I may hear voic - es of truth thou  
 3. O - pen my mouth, and let me bear glad - ly the warm truth

hast for me; place in my hands the won - der - ful key  
 send - est clear; and while the wave - notes fall on my ear,  
 ev - ery - where; o - pen my heart and let me pre - pare

*Refrain*

that shall un - clasp and set me free.  
 ev - ery - thing false will dis - ap - pear. Si - lent - ly now I  
 love with thy chil - dren thus to share.

wait for thee, read - y, my God, thy will to see.

O - pen my eyes,  
 O - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!  
 O - pen my heart,

WORDS: Clara H. Scott, 1895  
 MUSIC: Clara H. Scott, 1895

OPEN MY EYES  
 88.98 with Refrain

THE NATURE OF THE CHURCH

577 God of Grace and God of Glory

1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple  
 2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -  
 3. Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to  
 4. Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient church -'s sto - ry;  
 sail his ways! Fears and doubts too long have bound us;  
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
 we de - plore; let the search for thy sal - va - tion

bring her bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom,  
 free our hearts to work and praise. Grant us wis - dom,  
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,  
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,

grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this  
 grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these  
 grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's  
 grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -

WORDS: Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930  
 MUSIC: John Hughes, 1907

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