



*Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church*  
*Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022*

**Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church**  
**Community Worship Service**  
**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, July 31st**

**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**

Morning Song    arr. Gilbert Martin

**GREETING (*Please stand*)**

*L: Our lives are in the care of God.*

***P: God has given us abundance and hope.***

*L: This day we have come to praise and thank God for all that God has done for us.*

***P: We gather to celebrate God's love and to offer our lives in service.***

*L: Come, let us open our hearts to the Lord!*

***P: Let us rejoice in God's goodness and love. AMEN.***

**HYMN #66 (*Please remain standing*)**

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

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

***Eternal God, as people raised with Christ, teach us to seek the things that are above, where Christ abides in glory. Even as our true lives remain hidden in you with Christ, grant us a glimpse of our true selves, made pure and whole in your love. Renew your Spirit within us in this time of worship together, and make us fit to bear the glory of your image. Amen.***

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

**Scripture readings for - 7/31/2022**  
**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Hosea 11:1-11**

- 11:1 When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.  
11:2 The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols.  
11:3 Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them.  
11:4 I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them.  
11:5 They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me.  
11:6 The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes.  
11:7 My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all.  
11:8 How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender.  
11:9 I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath.  
11:10 They shall go after the LORD, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west.  
11:11 They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.

**Psalm 107:1-9, 43** *(Please read the bold text)*

- 107:1 O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.  
**107:2 Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble**  
107:3 and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.  
**107:4 Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited town;**  
107:5 hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.  
**107:6 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress;**  
107:7 he led them by a straight way, until they reached an inhabited town.  
**107:8 Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.**  
107:9 For he satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.  
**107:43 Let those who are wise give heed to these things, and consider the steadfast love of the LORD.**

**Colossians 3:1-11 (Epistle Reading)**

- 3:1 So, if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.
- 3:2 Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth,
- 3:3 for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.
- 3:4 When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.
- 3:5 Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry).
- 3:6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient.
- 3:7 These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life.
- 3:8 But now you must get rid of all such things--anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth.
- 3:9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices
- 3:10 and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator.
- 3:11 In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

**Luke 12:13-21 (Please stand for the Gospel)**

- 12:13 Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me."
- 12:14 But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?"
- 12:15 And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."
- 12:16 Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly.
- 12:17 And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?'
- 12:18 Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.
- 12:19 And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'
- 12:20 But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?'
- 12:21 So, it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

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

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

**SOLO**

Be Thou My Vision arr. Craig Courtney

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

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

***God of Healing,***

***As you spoke through the prophet, Hosea,***

***Lead us with cords of human kindness; Lead us with bands of love***

***Yet what does it mean to be led with cords of human kindness and bands of love?***

***Remind us of the connection our souls have to you, O God.***

***You tug at our cords to remind us that we also need the kindness of other humans.***

***You pluck at our heartstrings to remind us of the love you've placed within each of us.***

***But we still become distracted.***

***We get lost in our aggravations, disappointments, and deep-seated longings. Sometimes, it seems as though the negativity and sadness will swallow us whole.***

***How are we to turn this pain into love and kindness?***

***God, you know these feelings all too well; oftentimes, as a result of human action or inaction.***

***The story, repeated over and over again in our sacred texts, tells of your incredible love for us.***

***You, O God, choose love, despite the pain.***

***May we do the same, trusting that the Holy One is in our midst.***

***Amen.***

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*Children of God, blessings have been poured upon you so that you may use them to help others. God walks with you and guides your steps as you reach out in compassion, mercy and justice to all in need. AMEN.*

***In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!***

***Glory to God. Amen.***

## **HOMILY**

**STATEMENT OF FAITH #880 (The Nicene Creed) (Please stand)**

***We believe in one God,***

***the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is seen and unseen.***

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,***

***eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.***

***Through him all things were made.***

***For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:***

***by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,***

***and was made man.***

***For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.***

***On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.***

***We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son, he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.***

***We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. 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 #361**

Rock of Ages

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### **OFFERING**

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

### **OFFERTORY SOLO**

Sing God a Simple Song

Leonard Bernstein

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

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***Holy God, loving parent; your patience with your children is beyond our  
comprehension! How many times have we sung praises to you "from whom  
all blessings flow" and yet in our lives, in our practice and in our giving,  
we've acted like most of those blessings are from our own – to do with as we  
wish? Often, we have been deaf to your teaching and blind to your leading.  
May the gifts we give today be a token to our goal to live generous lives that  
honor you and express gratitude for your goodness to us. In the name of  
Jesus, our savior, 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 #399**

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

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

We Have Heard the Joyful Sound Robert J. Powell

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Today's Soloist**

*We welcome Bart Gilleland as our guest soloist today. Bart is a native of Austin, Texas. He has a Bachelor's of music education degree with a concentration in conducting – Baylor University. Master of Arts in vocal pedagogy – The Ohio State University. Doctor of Musical Arts degree with vocal performance emphasis – The Ohio State University.*

### **LTUMC Student Scholar Visiting**

*Please welcome Amber Zogg, a recent Liberty University graduate with a business degree, to our Sunday service. Amber is continuing online this fall at Liberty University in pursuit of her MBA while working in Raleigh. We have supported her in our scholarship program for four years.*

### **Flowers on the Altar**

*The flowers on the altar are from Bob & Jane Toney in memory of their parents.*

### **Next Covered Dish/Potluck**

*Our next potluck/covered dish will be **Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 PM.***

### **LTUMC Name Tags**

*Name tags are for anyone attending LTUMC regardless of membership or time here. The second order of name tags are due to arrive 8/4/22.*

### **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. If you have questions, please -reach out to **Nancee Salyer at 314-443-1017***

### **LTUMC Building Committee Updates**

*Please check our website for the Building Committee updates:  
<https://www.laketoxawayumc.org/index.php/building-committee>*

### **LTUMC App is available**

*You may download our Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church app from either the Apple App Store or the Google Store.*

### **Multiple Sign-Up Sheets**

*We have a Summer Ushers, Flowers for the Altar & Coffee Hour sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall.*

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

***Please pray for Beverly and Paul Goree, Dale and Leigh Ashman, Sue Thomas, Jacob Jones, Dee Seropian, Dave Wilkes, Jack Jeter, Renee Alexander, Donna Parker, Chad & Anne Zimmerman, Marty Young, Lonnie Taylor Jeff Tilley, Nancy Schubert and Frank Hardin.***

***Please pray for those having or had a surgery and their recovery. Especially for Suzanne Forsyth and Rachel Johnson.***

***Prayers of thanksgiving for Emmett Giordano, the Giordanos new grandson who is out of the NICU and is home. Please continue to pray.***

***We lift up both Emilee Dodson and David Miller 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 pray for our student scholars as they prepare to start classes.***

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Soloist: Bart Gilleland

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

# 66 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en, to the throne thy  
 2. Praise the Lord for grace and fa - vor to all peo - ple  
 3. Fa - ther - like, God tends and spares us; well our fee - ble  
 4. An - gels in the heights, a - dor - ing, you be - hold God

trib - ute bring; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,  
 in dis - tress; praise God, still the same as ev - er,  
 frame God knows; moth - er - like, God gent - ly bears us,  
 face to face; saints tri - um - phant, now a - dor - ing,

ev - er - more God's prais - es sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 slow to chide, and swift to bless. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 gath - ered in from ev - ery race. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious now God's faith - ful - ness.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet God's mer - cy flows.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

WORDS: Henry F. Lyte, 1834 (Ps. 103)  
 MUSIC: John Goss, 1869

LAUDA ANIMA  
 87.87.87

Alt. tune: REGENT SQUARE

# 361 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

1. Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me  
 2. Not the labors of my hands can ful -  
 3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply  
 4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine

hide my - self in thee; let the wa - ter and the blood,  
 fill thy law's de - mands; could my zeal no res - pite know,  
 to the cross I cling; na - ked, come to thee for dress;  
 eyes shall close in death, when I soar to worlds un - known,

from thy wound - ed side which flowed, be of sin the  
 could my tears for - ev - er flow, all for sin could  
 help - less, look to thee for grace; foul, I to the  
 see thee on thy judg - ment throne, Rock of A - ges,

dou - ble cure; save from wrath and make me pure.  
 not a - tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.  
 foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.  
 cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

WORDS: Augustus M. Toplady, 1776  
 MUSIC: Thomas Hastings, 1830

TOPLADY  
 77.77.77

## 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.