



Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church
Sunday, August 28th, 2022

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Community Worship Service
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, August 28th

9:30 A.M. Livestream is available on the LTUMC YouTube channel:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgtuJe20i8DN7S_Cfg1sWCg

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

PRELUDE

Thy Word arr. Douglas E. Wagner

GREETING (*Please stand*)

With gifts of praise,

we come to worship.

With heartfelt prayers,

we come to worship and pray.

With open minds, eager to grow,

we come to worship and grow this day.

HYMN #185 (*Please remain standing*)

When Morning Gilds the Skies

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OPENING PRAYER (*Please be seated*)

Infinite God,

***You have brought us into abundance. You have given us physical and spiritual nourishment
You have led us to flowing waters of grace. We come to worship today, seeking these
things for our souls. May we accept what you offer us today in its entirety, that we might
share with others.***

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS *(Please remain seated)*

Jeremiah 2:4-13

- 2:4 Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel.
- 2:5 Thus says the LORD: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?
- 2:6 They did not say, "Where is the LORD who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?"
- 2:7 I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination.
- 2:8 The priests did not say, "Where is the LORD?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit.
- 2:9 Therefore, once more I accuse you, says the LORD, and I accuse your children's children.
- 2:10 Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing.
- 2:11 Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit.
- 2:12 Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the LORD,
- 2:13 for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

Psalms 81:1, 10-16 *(Please read the bold text)*

- 81:1 Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob.
- 81:10 I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide and I will fill it.**
- 81:11 "But my people did not listen to my voice; Israel would not submit to me.
- 81:12 So, I gave them over to their stubborn hearts, to follow their own counsels.**
- 81:13 O that my people would listen to me, that Israel would walk in my ways!
- 81:14 Then I would quickly subdue their enemies, and turn my hand against their foes.**
- 81:15 Those who hate the LORD would cringe before him, and their doom would last forever.
- 81:16 I would feed you with the finest of the wheat, and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you."**

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 (Epistle Reading)

- 13:1 Let mutual love continue.
- 13:2 Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.
- 13:3 Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured.
- 13:4 Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers.
- 13:5 Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you."
- 13:6 So, we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?"
- 13:7 Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith.
- 13:8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.
- 13:15 Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name.
- 13:16 Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Luke 14:1, 7-14 (Please stand for the Gospel)

- 14:1 On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.
- 14:7 When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable.
- 14:8 "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host;
- 14:9 and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place.
- 14:10 But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you.
- 14:11 For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."
- 14:12 He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid.
- 14:13 But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.
- 14:14 And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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.)*

We confess, O Lord, that we love attention. We are pleased when people single us out for something good that we have done, for some outstanding act or trait of kindness that we exhibit. We revel in the light; but the seductive light too often captures us and we seek its brightness and glory and turn our backs on others in need. We have been given many gifts but have failed to use them to help others and to serve you. Forgive us our vanity and greed. Heal our wounded and aching souls. Place us again on the pathway of peace and hope that is your way to true life. For we ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*You have lifted us and dusted us off, O Lord. You have claimed us as your own. Let us celebrate your love for us in lives of service to others; for you are with us always.
AMEN.*

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

HOMILY

STATEMENT OF FAITH #884 *(A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church)*
(Please stand)

We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations, the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love. We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world. We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength. We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need. We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice. We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service. We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters. We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. 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 #581

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service
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OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY

Beach Spring arr. Gilbert M. Martin

DOXOLOGY (Please stand)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Renewing and refreshing God, fill our thirsty souls with your living water! As Jesus promised to the woman at the well, and as Jeremiah reminded the prophets, this water is ours if we keep our focus on you and don't chase after other gods. May the offering we make this day mark our commitment to keeping our eyes and our hearts set on a closer walk with you. We pray in the name of Jesus, our rock and our redeemer. 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 #557

Blest Be the Tie That Binds
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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE (Please be seated)

Trumpet Tune Sam Batt Owens

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Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the Altar are from Bob and Lee Cowan in honor of Patrice, their daughter-in-law who is recovering from a kidney transplant.

John Thomas Service

*John Thomas' service will be **Sunday, September 11th, 2022 at 2:00 PM.***

Scholarship Sponsors Needed

If you are interested in being a sponsor for our scholars for the 2022-2023 school year, please contact Bobbi Moore at bbolden1@hotmail.com.

September Covered dish/Potluck.

*Our next covered dish/potluck will be **Tuesday, September 6th at 6:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great way to introduce family, neighbors and friends to LTUMC.*

Multiple Sign-Up Sheets

We have sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall for summer ushers, flowers for the Altar & coffee hour.

LTUMC Name tags & storage

There are many unclaimed name tags in Fellowship Hall and we may now leave our name tags in the existing name tag cabinet.

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, Nancy Schubert, Lauren Usher, Russ Nulph and Frank Hardin.

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

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. Especially for Cathie Fussell's nephew, Jeff Tilley who died last week, the Jeters who lost their son, Sue Thomas who lost her husband, John Thomas and the Gorees who lost their son.

Please pray for our student scholars, local students, teachers and staff as they prepare to start classes.

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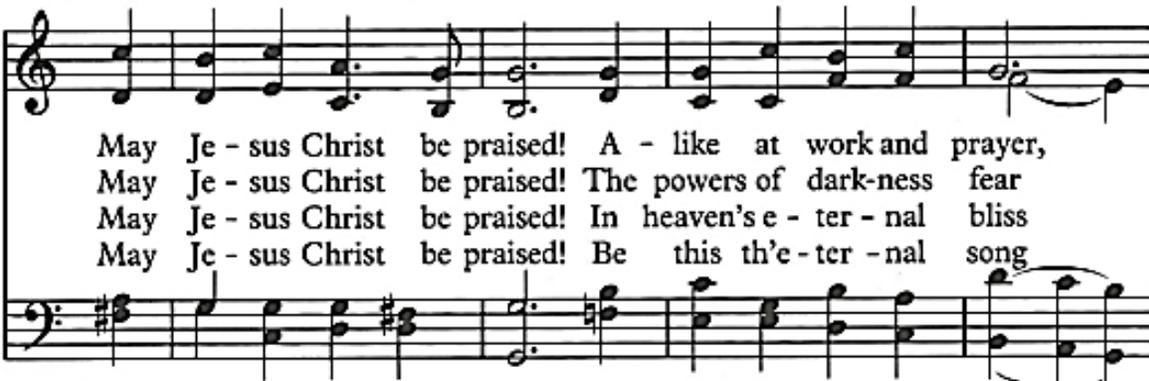
Liturgist: Cynthia Wood

Hymns are located on the next few pages.

When Morning Gilds the Skies



1. When morn-ing gilds the skies my heart a - wak-ing cries:
 2. The night be-comes as day when from the heart we say:
 3. Let all the earth a - round ring joy - ous with the sound:
 4. Be this, while life is mine, my can - ti - cle di - vine:



May Je - sus Christ be praised! A - like at work and prayer,
 May Je - sus Christ be praised! The powers of dark-ness fear
 May Je - sus Christ be praised! In heaven's e - ter - nal bliss
 May Je - sus Christ be praised! Be this th'e - ter - nal song



to Je - sus I re - pair: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
 when this sweet chant they hear: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
 the love-liest strain is this: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
 through all the a - ges long: May Je - sus Christ be praised!

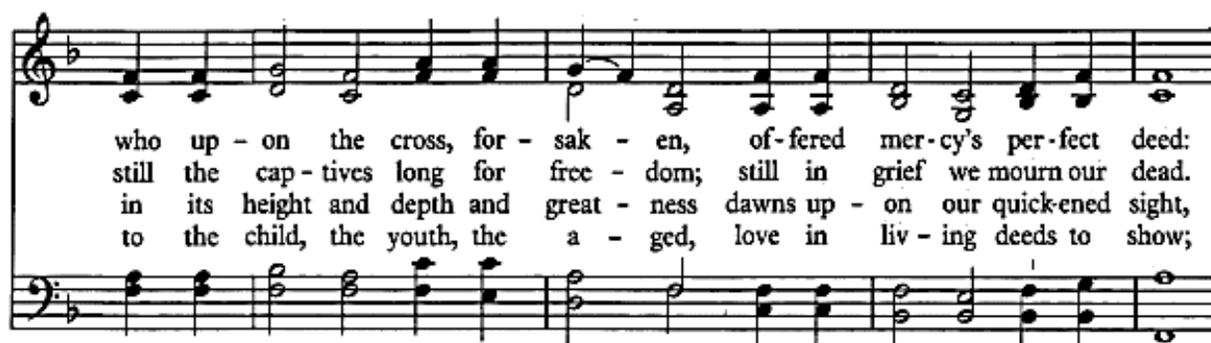
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 st. 3 by Robert S. Bridges, 1899
 MUSIC: Joseph Barnby, 1868

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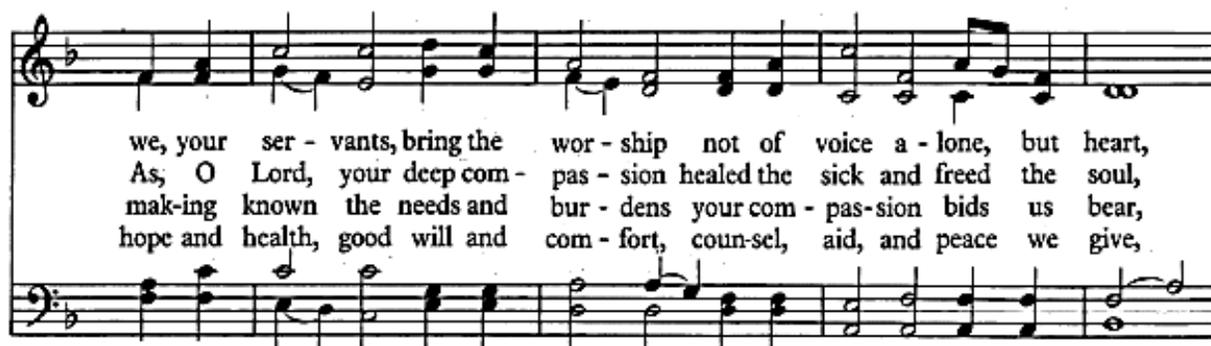
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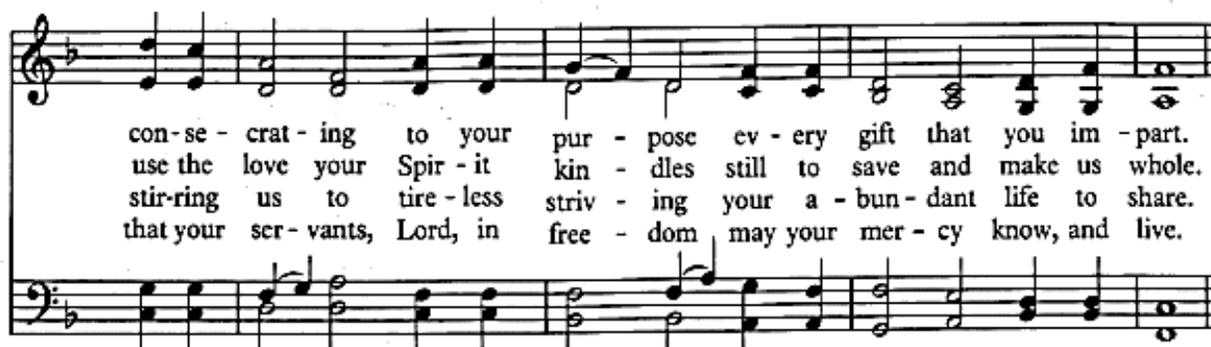
1. Lord, whose love through hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
 2. Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
 3. As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-veal-ing light
 4. Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear name we go



who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, of-fered mer-cy's per-fect deed:
 still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
 in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up-on our quickened sight,
 to the child, the youth, the a-ged, love in liv-ing deeds to show;



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart,
 As, O Lord, your deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
 mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
 hope and health, good will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con-se-crating to your pur-pose ev-ery gift that you im-part.
 use the love your Spir-it kin-dles still to save and make us whole.
 stir-ring us to tire-less striv-ing your a-bun-dant life to share.
 that your ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom may your mer-cy know, and live.

WORDS: Albert F. Bayly, 1961, alt.

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Blest Be the Tie That Binds

1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
 2. Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne we pour our
 3. We share each oth - er's woes, our mu - tual
 4. When we a - sun - der part, it gives us

Chris - tian love; the fel - low - ship of
 ar - dent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our
 bur - dens bear; and of - ten for each
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove,
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.

WORDS: John Fawcett, 1782
 MUSIC: Johann G. Nägeli; arr. by Lowell Mason, 1845

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