



*Lake Toxarway United Methodist Church*  
*Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022*

**Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church**  
**Community Worship Service & Communion**  
**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, August 7<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**

Praise to the Lord, The Almighty      arr. by Benjamin Culli

**CALL TO WORSHIP (*Please stand*)**

*God called Abraham and Sarah and promised to bless them.*

***Through faith, they obeyed and received God's inheritance.***

*God called Isaac and Jacob, as heirs of that promise.*

***They too followed in faith, seeking God's realm.***

*God calls us to join them, as heirs with the faithful.*

***We come here in faith, assured by the hope that was fulfilled in the lives of your servants.***

**HYMN #73 (*Please remain standing*)**

O Worship the King

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

***God of light and love, you take delight in your creation. Ignite our spirits to worship you with sincerity. Illumine our minds with the truth of your word.***

***Inspire our hearts to seek your treasure alone, that our hearts may be pure and our actions may be noble and just, as we share your love. Through Jesus Christ, our hope and promise, we pray. Amen.***

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

***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 (Please remain standing)**

***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.)*

***God of unfailing love, it is often hard to remain faithful. You ask us to share  
our wealth with those in need, yet we hoard our possessions and guard our  
wealth. You call us to rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, and plead for  
the widow, yet our pursuits are often self-serving, ignoring those in need of  
our care. Forgive us and cleanse us, O God. Move us to be a people of justice,  
and propel us on the path of love. Amen.***

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*Though our sins are like scarlet, do not be afraid, for God has washed us clean. The  
Lord takes pleasure in opening God's realm to us. Rejoice and come in!*

***Let us rejoice! We are forgiven!  
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.***

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

### **Isaiah 1:1, 10-20**

- 1:1 The vision of Isaiah, son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.
- 1:10 Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah!
- 1:11 What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats.
- 1:12 When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more;
- 1:13 bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation-- I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.
- 1:14 Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them.
- 1:15 When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood.
- 1:16 Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil,
- 1:17 learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.
- 1:18 Come now, let us argue it out, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.
- 1:19 If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land;
- 1:20 but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

### **Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23 (*Please read the bold text*)**

- 50:1 The mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 50:2 Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.
- 50:3 Our God comes and does not keep silence, before him is a devouring fire, and a mighty tempest all around him.
- 50:4 He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people:
- 50:5 "Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"
- 50:6 The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge. Selah
- 50:7 "Hear, O my people, and I will speak, O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God.

- 50:8 Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me.
- 50:22 "Mark this, then, you who forget God, or I will tear you apart, and there will be no one to deliver.
- 50:23 Those who bring thanksgiving as their sacrifice honor me; to those who go the right way I will show the salvation of God."

**Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 (Epistle Reading)**

- 11:1 Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.
- 11:2 Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval.
- 11:3 By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.
- 11:8 By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going.
- 11:9 By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise.
- 11:10 For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.
- 11:11 By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old--and Sarah herself was barren--because he considered him faithful who had promised.
- 11:12 Therefore, from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."
- 11:13 All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth,
- 11:14 for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland.
- 11:15 If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return.
- 11:16 But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

**Luke 12:32-40 (Please stand for the Gospel)**

- 12:32 "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.
- 12:33 Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys.
- 12:34 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
- 12:35 "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit;
- 12:36 be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks.
- 12:37 Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them.
- 12:38 If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.
- 12:39 "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into.
- 12:40 You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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

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

**SERMON**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

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

**OFFERTORY**

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing! Robert Powell

**DOXOLOGY #95 (Please stand)**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***God of love and grace, we bring our offerings this day and ask that they might be dedicated to strengthening your church for the making of disciples for Jesus Christ. Your prophet Isaiah reminds us that offering money or possessions is not enough. Isaiah proclaims to the Israelites that unless their offerings are accompanied by a wiliness to "learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow," the offerings***

***are futile. Open our ears to hear what pleases you and open our eyes to see the opportunities all around us. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.***

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

### **HYMN #618**

Let Us Break Bread Together  
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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 #127 (Please stand)

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

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## BENEDICTION

## CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #393 (Located in the back of the bulletin)

## POSTLUDE (Please be seated)

"Allegro" from the Fourth Concerto by J.S. Bach

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Today's Guest Organist

*We welcome Hamilton Stoddard as our guest organist. Hamilton Stoddard recently retired as a full-time organist from The First Presbyterian Church in Sumter, S.C. in order to spend more time with her 4 grandchildren. Her degrees include a Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance from Salem College in Winston-Salem. She holds a Master's Degree in Organ Performance from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She is married to Dr. Hugh Stoddard, Jr.*

### LTUMC Scholar

*Elijah Reddick is in his last semester at UNC-Asheville this Fall, where we have supported him for four years. He is majoring in History with a minor in English. He was a member of the ROTC in high school in TN before Rosman HS.*

### 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](mailto:bbolden1@hotmail.com).*

### 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. Please -reach out to Nancee Salyer at 314-443-1017*

### Scholarship Prayer Bookmarks

*Please pick a new prayer bookmark for the 2022-2023 scholars at the entrances and please pray for our scholars.*

### Our Daily Bread

*The next Our Daily Bread devotionals (September -November) are at both entrances of the sanctuary & in the Fellowship Hall.*

### 2<sup>nd</sup> order of name tags

*The 2<sup>nd</sup> order of name tags has arrived and is in the Fellowship Hall.*

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

***Please pray for Dale and Leigh Ashman, Sue Thomas, Jacob Jones, Dee Seropian, Lauren Usher, 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 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 Beverly and Paul Goree.***

***Please pray for our student scholars as they prepare to start classes.***

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***Hymns are on the next several pages.***

## 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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# 618 Let Us Break Bread Together

1. Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees, (on our knees)  
 (2. Let us) drink wine to - geth - er on our knees, (on our knees)  
 (3. Let us) praise God to - geth - er on our knees, (on our knees)

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)  
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)  
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)

When I fall on my knees with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer - cy on me. (on me) 1, 2  
(.) \*  
 2. Let us  
 3. Let us

\* May end after stanza 3

WORDS: Afro-American spiritual (Acts 2:42)

MUSIC: Afro-American spiritual; adapt. and arr. by William Farley Smith, 1986

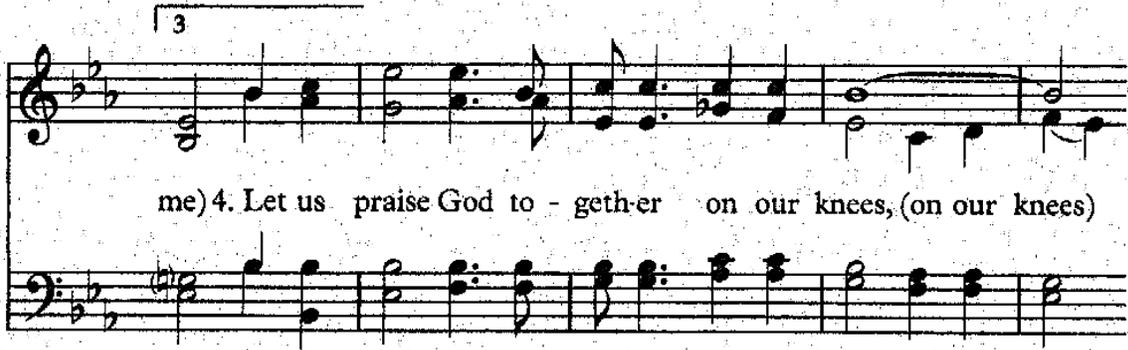
LET US BREAK BREAD

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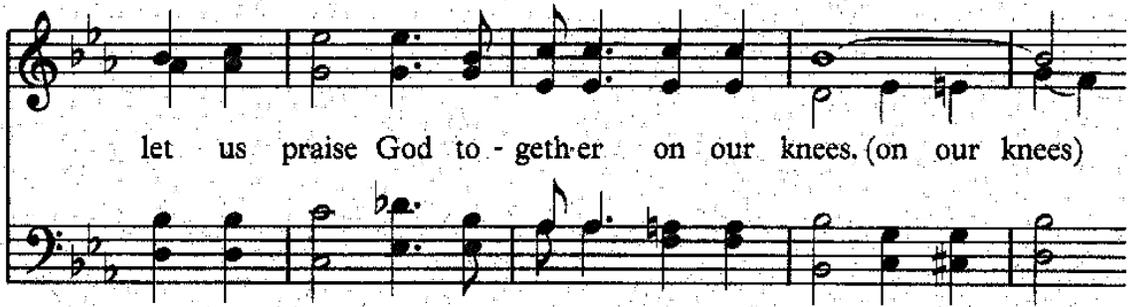
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EUCCHARIST (HOLY COMMUNION OR THE LORD'S SUPPER)

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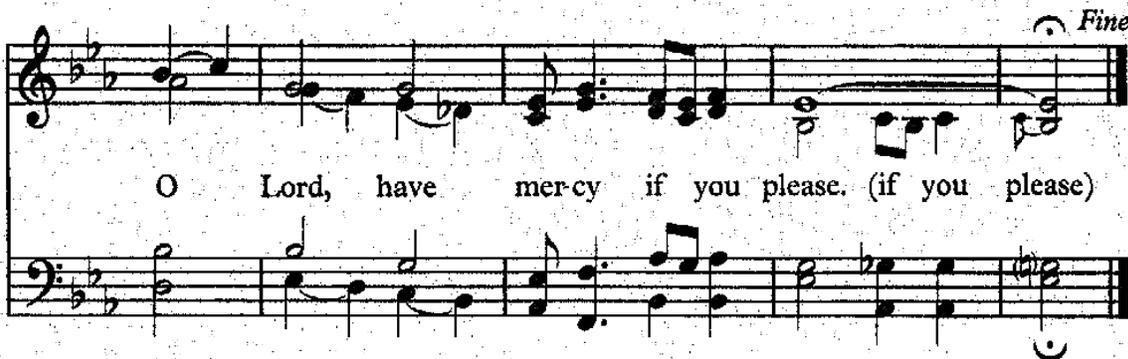
me) 4. Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)



let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees)



When I fall on my knees with my face to the ris-ing sun,



O Lord, have mercy if you please. (if you please)

*Fine*

## Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 127

1. Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
 2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing  
 3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y; hold me with thy  
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my  
 fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me safe on

power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en, feed me  
 jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer, be thou  
 Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es, I will

till I want no more; (want no more) feed me till I want no more.  
 still my strength and shield; (strength and shield) be thou still my strength and shield.  
 ev - er give to thee; (give to thee) I will ev - er give to thee.

WORDS: William Williams, 1745; trans. from the Welsh by Peter Williams and  
 the author, 1771  
 MUSIC: John Hughes, 1907

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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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