



*Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church*  
*Trinity Sunday*

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**Community Worship Service**  
**Trinity Sunday, June 15th**

**10:00 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 – *To allow all worshippers to reflect and prepare for the service, please observe silence during the prelude.***

**PRELUDE**

"Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song"      John Carter

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*L: The name of the Lord is majestic!*

***P: The mountains tower and the seas roar in praise of God!***

*L: When we look at the heavens, we rejoice in God!*

***P: The moons, stars, planets, solar systems are a delight to us!***

*L: Come, let us shout our praise to God!*

***P: Lord, thank you for this awesome creation! AMEN.***

**HYMN #61**

Come, Thou Almighty King

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

***Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given to us you servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity,  
and in the power of your divine Majesty  
to worship the Unity:  
Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship,  
and bring us at last  
to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father;  
who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.***

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### **Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 - *Wisdom rejoices in the creation***

- 8:1 Does not wisdom call and understanding raise her voice?  
8:2 On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand;  
8:3 beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out:  
8:4 "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all who live.  
8:22 "The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.  
8:23 Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.  
8:24 When there were no depths, I was brought forth, when there were no springs  
abounding with water.  
8:25 Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth,  
8:26 when he had not yet made earth and fields or the world's first bits of soil.  
8:27 When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of  
the deep,  
8:28 when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep,  
8:29 when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his  
command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth,  
8:30 then I was beside him, like a master worker, and I was daily his delight, playing before  
him always,  
8:31 playing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

### **Psalms 8 - How exalted is your name (UMH Pg. 743)** **(Psalter Lesson) (Please read the bold text)**

- 8:1 O Lord, our Lord, **how majestic is your name in all the earth!**  
8:2 Your glory is chanted above the heavens by the mouth of babes and infants: **you have  
set up a defense against your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.**  
8:3 When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, **the moon and the stars  
which you have established;**  
8:4 what are human beings that you are mindful of them, **and mortals that you care for  
them?**  
8:5 Yet you have made them a little less than God **and crowned them with glory and  
honor.**

- 8:6 You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; **you have put all things under their feet,**
- 8:7 all sheep and oxen, **and also the beasts of the field,**
- 8:8 the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, **whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**
- 8:9 O Lord, our Lord, **how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

**Romans 5:1-5 - God's love poured into our hearts (Epistle Reading)**

- 5:1 Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
- 5:2 through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.
- 5:3 And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance,
- 5:4 and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,
- 5:5 and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

**John 16:12-15 - The Spirit will guide you into the truth (Gospel)**  
***(Please stand as you are able)***

- 16:12 "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.
- 16:13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.
- 16:14 He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.
- 16:15 All that the Father has is mine. For this reason, I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

*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.)*

***Great God of all creation,  
who are we that you are mindful of us?  
You who set the stars in motion,  
who launched waves crashing against the shore,  
who knows the heights and depths of the world;  
Why do you bother with us?  
You count the hairs on our heads,***

*and call us each by name.  
You give us your wisdom and you uphold us by your Spirit.  
You tend to us and care for us,  
and we do not understand why.  
We cannot grasp your love for us, O God,  
for it is unlike us to be that loving and forgiving.  
We become enmeshed  
by our own needs and wants and desires  
and we fail to see beyond anything but our own little circles.  
Turn us around, O God.  
Remind us once again of the sacredness  
of our ordinary, day-to-day lives.  
By your Spirit,  
teach us to live truly as beings little lower than angels.  
In your mercy, O God,  
forgive who we are and bless who we will be. Amen.*

### **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*Friends and family of Christ, the Holy Spirit remains  
our counselor, our advocate, and our comforter.  
Jesus Christ has restored all life to God.  
In our faith, we are justified and made whole.*

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

### **HOMILY**

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

***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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
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,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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 #707**

Hymn of Promise

**OFFERING**

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

**OFFERTORY**

Larghetto G. F. Handel (From a Flute Sonata arr. for organ)

**DOXOLOGY #95 - Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow**

***(Please stand as you are able)***

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here  
below.***

***Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost***

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*Majestic and holy God, Creator of all that is seen and unseen, we bring these gifts in awe of Your glory revealed in the heavens and here among us. As we offer these gifts, may they reflect your wisdom and share your love, building a world that proclaims your majesty. Through your Spirit, pour your grace into our lives, that our service may mirror the love You have shown us in Christ, lifting our voices with creation to declare, "How majestic is Your name in all the earth!" In the name of the Holy Trinity, 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 #368**

My Hope is Built

### **POSTLUDE**

Improvisation on The Solid Rock

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Flowers on the Altar**

*The flowers on the altar are given by Mike and Stephanie Taylor in honor of all fathers.*

### **Administrative Council Meeting**

*The June Administrative Council meeting is Friday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM in the Bill Minnich conference room.*

### **Volunteer Opportunities for The Haven**

*One of our partner agencies is The Haven, a homeless shelter in Brevard. We need volunteers to distribute weekend food to the Haven on Friday, July 11 and Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. This requires: dinner for Friday and Saturday nights; breakfast for Saturday and Sunday, coffee, creamer and orange juice. The following are not required but donuts, granola bars, and muffins are a big hit too before the residents need to leave the shelter by 8:00 AM every day and can return by dinner time. There is usually about 15 people in residence. If you would like to volunteer for either date, please call/text Judy Lefler at (850) 585-4391.*

### **Summer Bible Study**

*The new summer Bible Study group will start June 1<sup>st</sup> and will continue to meet on Sunday mornings at 8:45 AM in the Minnich Conference room. This is a come as you can Bible Study and a study guide will be provided. It is led by*

*Don Henderson. Please reach out to him if you have questions at [bacpac@comporium.net](mailto:bacpac@comporium.net)*

### **30 Year Anniversary Luncheon Celebration for Rev. Dodson**

*On Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, we are going to host a celebration for Pastor Marcus in honor of his 30 years of service to Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church. After church, a BBQ luncheon will take place in the Dice Hall. Please RSVP to Saunders by noon Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at [administrator@laketoxawayumc.org](mailto:administrator@laketoxawayumc.org) so we can get a head count. If you can help with sides like baked beans and potato salad, please reach out to Mandy Stahl at [LTUMCPrayerRequests@gmail.com](mailto:LTUMCPrayerRequests@gmail.com).*

### **Coffee Hour after Today's Service**

*Please join us in the Dice Hall after today's service for coffee and snacks. This is a great way to see friends and make new ones. Please sign up to host one.*

### **The Prayer Ministry**

*They meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at 9:30 AM in the church. Please e-mail prayer requests to [LTUMCPrayerRequests@gmail.com](mailto:LTUMCPrayerRequests@gmail.com).*

### **AA Meetings Thursday Nights**

*The weekly AA meeting is every Thursday at 4:45 PM in the Dice Hall. To honor anonymity please do not go to the Parish building from 4:00 – 6:00 PM.*

## **PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY**

*Please pray for those who have long-term illness, health concerns and special intentions. We pray for Don Scholl, Lysa Riggs' husband as he undergoes cancer treatments. We also pray for Chip Dixon.*

*Please pray for those having or had a surgery, acute illness or injury and their recovery. We pray for Sarah Ward who had surgery. Please continue to pray for the Guffeys and the Baileys.*

*We continue to pray for those who have recently lost a family member.*

*Please continue to pray for our student scholars, our local students, teachers and staff over the summer months.*

## **STAFF & LAY VOLUNTEERS**

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