



*Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church*  
*Sunday, October 10th 2021*

**Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church**  
**Community Worship Service**  
**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, October 10th**

**9:30 A.M. Livestream link: [https://youtu.be/\\_jYSAQ4WpgY](https://youtu.be/_jYSAQ4WpgY)**

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

**PRELUDE**

Invocation and Reflection on "Come, Thou Fount" Jeffrey Blersch

**GREETING**

*The kingdom of God is at hand.*

***We want to enter this kingdom.***

*The mercy of God is made known.*

***We want to receive this mercy.***

*The grace of God is abundant for all.*

***We praise you, O God, for your compassion  
and your love. Accept our grateful praise  
as we come to worship you today.***

**HYMN #66**

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

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

***Lord, you have called us here this day for healing, hope, and transformation.  
As we listen to the Scripture, pray our prayers, sing our hymns, and hear the  
words of wisdom, open our hearts to hear your claim on our lives; that we  
may fully and joyfully serve you. AMEN.***

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### Job 23:1-9, 16-17

- 23:1 Then Job answered:
- 23:2 "Today also my complaint is bitter; his hand is heavy despite my groaning.
- 23:3 Oh, that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his dwelling!
- 23:4 I would lay my case before him, and fill my mouth with arguments.
- 23:5 I would learn what he would answer me, and understand what he would say to me.
- 23:6 Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; but he would give heed to me.
- 23:7 There an upright person could reason with him, and I should be acquitted forever by my judge.
- 23:8 "If I go forward, he is not there; or backward, I cannot perceive him;
- 23:9 on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him; I turn to the right, but I cannot see him.
- 23:16 God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me;
- 23:17 If only I could vanish in darkness, and thick darkness would cover my face!

### Psalms 22:1-15 (Please read responsively the bold text)

- 22:1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?**
- 22:2 O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.
- 22:3 Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.**
- 22:4 In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 22:5 To you they cried, and were saved; in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.**
- 22:6 But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people.
- 22:7 All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;**
- 22:8 "Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver-- let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"
- 22:9 Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you kept me safe on my mother's breast.**
- 22:10 On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God.
- 22:11 Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.**

22:12 Many bulls encircle me, strong bulls of Bashan surround me;

**22:13 they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.**

22:14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;

**22:15 my mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.**

### **Hebrews 4:12-16**

4:12 Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

4:13 And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

4:14 Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

4:15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

4:16 Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

### **Mark 10:17-31 (Please stand for the Gospel)**

10:17 As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

10:18 Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone.

10:19 You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'"

10:20 He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth."

10:21 Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me."

10:22 When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

10:23 Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!"

10:24 And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!

10:25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

- 10:26 They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?"
- 10:27 Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."
- 10:28 Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you."
- 10:29 Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news,
- 10:30 who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age--houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions--and in the age to come eternal life.
- 10:31 But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

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

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

### **CENTERING PRAYER**

***When nothing is right,***

***when we are weary and lost,***

***when clouds dull the sky,***

***help us to be still.***

***When our cries are unheeded,***

***when no effort bears fruit,***

***when the sun sets,***

***help us to be still.***

***When love is over,***

***when hope is gone,***

***when darkness covers the land,***

***help us to be still.***

***For in being still,***

***in refusing to panic or despair,***

***we shall come to know that God is there,***

***suffering alongside and with us,***

***waiting to show us stepping-stones through the swirling waters,***

***and to help us sing a new song.***

### **HOMILY**

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

*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.***

**HYMN #399**

Take My Life and Let it be Consecrated  
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**OFFERTORY**

"Come, Thou Fount" Jeffrey Blersch

**DOXOLOGY**

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***God of the cosmos and God of every heartbeat: Your work touches every corner of creation; yet, when times are hard, we wonder if you've deserted us, and we become tight-fisted and fearful that sharing with others will leave us empty handed. As we bring these gifts to your altar, give us the eyes to see and the hearts to know that you never desert us and never send us away in need. In the name of your Son who came to remind us of your closeness and to give his life so that ours might be eternal. 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 #400**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing  
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## **BENEDICTION**

## **POSTLUDE**

Dance on "Come, Thou Fount" Jeffrey Blerch

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **From the Worship Committee**

***Please observe silence when the bell rings, the music starts and the pastor is proceeding in. This will also help those in the sanctuary and those worshiping from home to reflect and prepare for the service.***

### ***WNC UMC Annual Charge Conference***

*The WNC UMC Annual Charge Conference will be Sunday, October 10th at 3:30 PM via Zoom. If you are interested in attending, please reach out to Marcus Dodson at [marcus61dodson@gmail.com](mailto:marcus61dodson@gmail.com) .*

### ***Memorial Services:***

*Aubrey Stowell's Memorial Service will be 11:00 AM on Saturday, October 16, 2021*

*Paul Bergren's Memorial Service will be 11:00 AM on Saturday, November 6, 2021*

### ***LTUMC App for your Smart Phone***

*The LTUMC app is available to download it from either the App Store or the Play Store. Search for "Lake Toxaway UMC". You do not need to a registered member of the church to download and use the app.*

### ***Outreach – Feeding those at The Haven***

*Thank you to John & Char Holbrook who fed those staying at The Haven Oct.3rd.*

### ***Flowers outside the church & in the Memorial Garden***

*Thank you to Paula and Fred Markert for the Fall flowers they planted at the front of the church and in the Memorial Garden.*

### ***LTUMC Volunteer Opportunities***

***Ushers*** are needed to hand out bulletins at the beginning of the service. Please reach out to John Shoemaker at [trestlegap@gmail.com](mailto:trestlegap@gmail.com)

***Partners*** are needed to be paired with a student scholar during the school year. Please reach out to Judy Lefler at [judylefler1@gmail.com](mailto:judylefler1@gmail.com)

***Liturgists*** are needed for the Sunday services especially during the winter months. Please reach out to Saunders Grommesh at [administrator@laketoxawayumc.org](mailto:administrator@laketoxawayumc.org)

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

***Please pray for Peter Elder, Keith and Jackie Skivington, Jack Jeter, Renee Alexander, Kitty Neff, John & Sue Thomas, Donna Parker, Chad & Anne Zimmerman, Marty Young, Cathie Fussell's brother, Lonnie Taylor and nephew, Jeff Tilley, Judy Lefler's friend Barbara Cline-Sanibel, Bobbi Moore's sister, Nancy Schubert, Bill Holden and Frank Hardin.***

***Please pray for those having or had surgery for recovery, those who have had the death of a loved one recently. Especially for three families: the Stowell family as Aubrey Stowell died earlier this week, for the Bergren family as Paul Bergren died this week and for little Conor and his family as he died this week.***

***Please pray for our student scholars.***

***October is clergy appreciation month. Please pray for Marcus, our pastor and we thank him for all he does for us.***

### **STAFF & LAY VOLUNTEERS**

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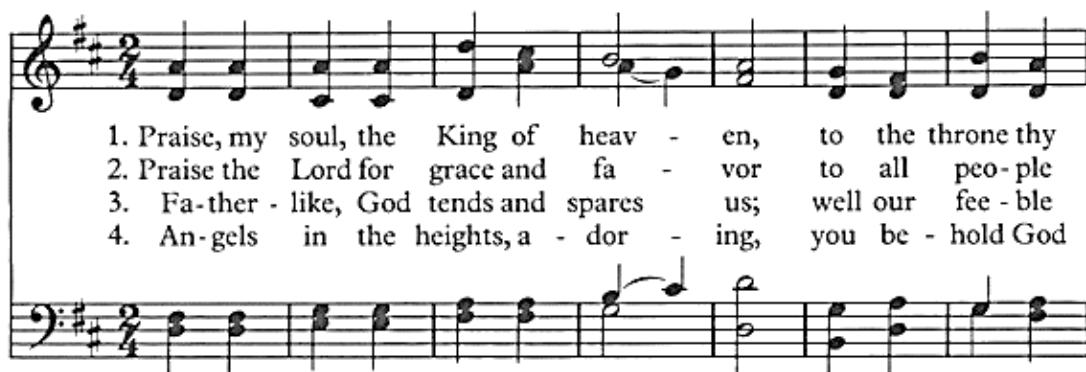
Lay Leaders: Barbara Kline: 828-862-5585 and Paula Markert: 828-553-9434

Audio/Visual for Livestream Chair: Andy Harvill

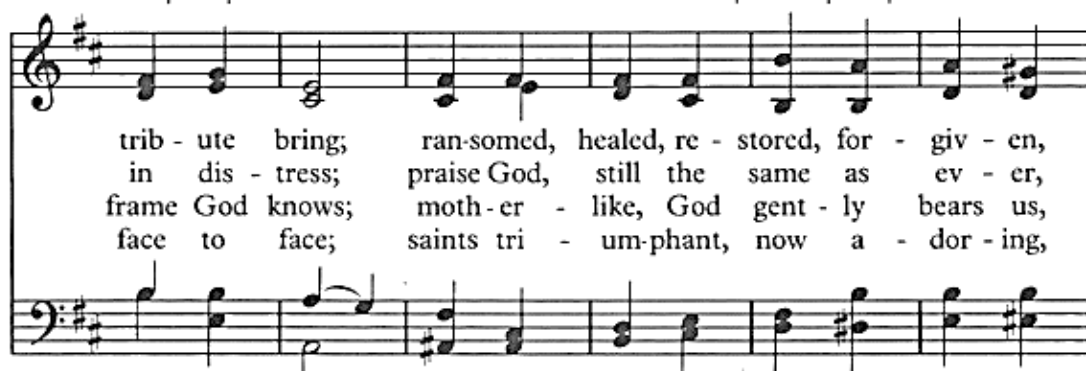
Liturgist: John Lefler



## 66 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven



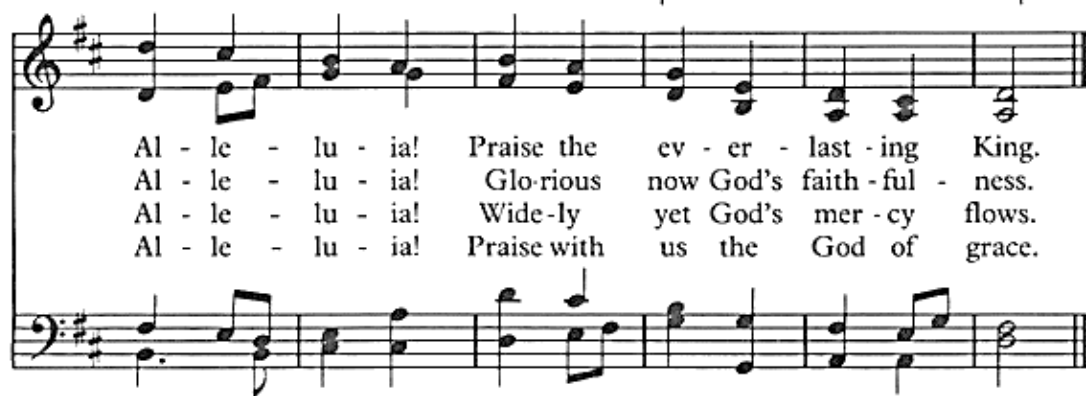
1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en, to the throne thy  
 2. Praise the Lord for grace and fa - vor to all peo - ple  
 3. Fa - ther - like, God tends and spares us; well our fee - ble  
 4. An - gels in the heights, a - dor - ing, you be - hold God



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

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## 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.

WORDS: Frances R. Havergal, 1873 (Rom. 12:1)  
 MUSIC: Louis J. F. Hérold, 1839; arr. by George Kingsley, 1839

MESSIAH  
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## Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 400

1. Come, thou Fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my heart to  
 2. Here I raise mine Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by thy  
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con -

sing thy grace; streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,  
 help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good plea - sure,  
 strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a fet - ter,

call for songs of loud - est praise. Teach me some me - lo - dious  
 safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a  
 bind my wan - dering heart to thee. Prone to wan - der, Lord, I

son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! I'm  
 stran - ger, wan - dering from the fold of God; he, to res - cue  
 feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O

fixed up - on it, mount of thy re - deem - ing love.  
 me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
 take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

WORDS: Robert Robinson, 1758 (1 Sam. 7:12)  
 MUSIC: Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813

NETTLETON  
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