

Lake Toxanvay United Methodist Church

Sunday, October 24th 2021

Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church

Community Worship Service

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost, October 24th

9:30 A.M. Livestream is now available via YouTube. You may subscribe to the Lake Toxaway UMC YouTube channel here: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqtuJe20i8DN7S_Cfq1sWCq</u>

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

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision arr. Dale Wood

GREETING

L Bless the Lord at all times.

Let everyone bless God.

Praise the Lord continually.

Let everyone praise Christ.

Our souls boast in the Lord.

We boast in the Spirit's greatness.

With one voice, we magnify and exalt the Lord, for God has delivered us and made us whole. **Exalt our God, the Lord of life.**

HYMN #101

From All That Dwell below the Skies

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OPENING PRAYER (Please be seated)

Great Triune God, through Jesus Christ, our great and eternal High Priest, we give you praise and consecrate ourselves to follow you. As we worship you and celebrate your glorious resurrection, open our eyes so that we may see open the eyes of our mind to learning and understanding; open the eyes of our heart, to love and compassion; open the eyes of our soul, to see our spiritual selves during our time of worship. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>Job 42:1-6, 10-17</u>

- 42:1 Then Job answered the LORD:
- 42:2 "I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.
- 42:3 'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?' Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.
- 42:4 'Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me.'
- 42:5 I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you;
- 42:6 therefore, I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes."
- 42:10 And the LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.
- 42:11 Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring.
- 42:12 The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys.
- 42:13 He also had seven sons and three daughters.
- 42:14 He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch.
- 42:15 In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers.
- 42:16 After this Job lived one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations.
- 42:17 And Job died, old and full of days.

Psalm 34:1-8, (19-22) (Please read responsively the bold text)

- 34:1 I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- 34:2 My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
- 34:3 O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.
- 34:4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.
- 34:5 Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed.
- 34:6 This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD, and was saved from every trouble.
- 34:7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.
- 34:8 O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.
- 34:19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD rescues them from them all.
- 34:20 He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken.
- 34:21 Evil brings death to the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.

34:22 The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

Hebrews 7:23-28

- 7:23 Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office;
- 7:24 but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever.
- 7:25 Consequently, he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.
- 7:26 For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens.
- 7:27 Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself.
- 7:28 For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Mark 10:46-52 (Please stand for the Gospel)

- 10:46 They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside.
- 10:47 When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"
- 10:48 Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"
- 10:49 Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you."
- 10:50 So, throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus.
- 10:51 Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again."
- 10:52 Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.
- 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.)

Mystical, transcendent God, there is so much of life we simply do not know. In our arrogance, we utter what we do not understand. Rescue us, O Lord, from our afflictions. Restore us, O God, from our self-inflicted wounds. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Son of God, and save us by your unending intercession. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Cry out to Christ, our great High Priest, for he has saved us. Our faith has made us well, brought us forgiveness, and granted us peace. In the name of Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Hallelujah!

HOMILY

STATEMENT OF FAITH (United Church of Australia)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We proclaim Jesus Christ, the crucified and risen One, confessing him as Lord to the glory of God the Father. In the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we acclaim Jesus as the Lord of the Church, the Head over all things, the beginning of a new creation. We acknowledge that we live and work between the time of Christ's death and resurrection and the final consummation of all things which he will bring. We are a pilgrim people, always on the way towards a promised goal; on the way Christ feeds us with word and sacraments, and we have the gift of the Spirit in order that we may not lose the way. We will live and work within the faith and unity of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, bearing witness to that unity which is both Christ's gift and his will. We affirm that every member of the Church is engaged to confess the faith of Christ crucified. Together with all the people of God, we will serve the world for which Christ died. And we await with hope the day of the Lord Jesus. 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 #600

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OFFERTORY

Words of Life arr. Robert J. Powell

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Extravagantly Generous God, there is nothing we have, there is nothing we require, there is nothing we long for that does not pale when placed beside the relationship you've offered to us. As we bring our gifts to you, remind us of the covenant you put before Israel: "If they will be my people, I will be their God." Receive what we give in gratitude for your invitation, and help us be your people, reflected in our love for you and for all your children. We pray this in the name of Jesus, the Christ, who gave all there was to give for us. 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 #451

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Psalm 19 Benedetto Marcello

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.

Memorial Service:

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

Administrative Council Meeting

There will be a follow-up Administrative Council meeting on Friday, November 12 at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please reach out to Tom Blackstock with any questions.

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.

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.

Outreach – Feeding those at The Haven

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

LTUMC Volunteer Opportunities

Ushers are needed to hand out bulletins at the beginning of the service. Please reach out to John Shoemaker at <u>trestlegap@gmail.com</u>

Partners are needed to be paired with a student scholar during the school year. Please reach out to Judy Lefler at <u>judylefler1@gmail.com</u>

Liturgists are needed for the Sunday services especially during the winter months. Please reach out to Saunders Grommesh at <u>administrator@laketoxawayumc.org</u>

PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

Please pray for Peter Elder, Keith and Jackie Skivington, Jack Jeter, Renee Alexander, 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 Houston Hudson, Marcus' brother-in-law who was admitted into the hospital in Greenville, SC with Covid-19 yesterday. He had been fully vaccinated and has an auto immune disease.

Please pray for those having or had surgery for recovery, those who have had the death of a loved one recently. Especially for Aubrey Stowell's, Paul Bergren's and little Conor's family as they experienced the passing of their loved one.

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.

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