



Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church
Sunday, November 14th, 2021

Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church
Community Worship Service
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, November 14th

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

Great is Thy Faithfulness arr. Dan Miller

GREETING

Come worship the Lord who is in our midst today.

There is no Holy One like our God.

Like Hannah of old, we raise our voices

to praise the Lord of strength.

There is no Rock like our God.

We prepare to listen and learn

with open hearts and open minds.

There is no Source of knowledge like our God.

We trust that righteousness will come

on the heels of God's judgment.

There is no Justice like our God.

May the Son of our God lead us into faith.

There is no Guide like our God.

Let us come and worship the Lord who is in our midst today.

HYMN #73

O Worship the King

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OPENING PRAYER (*Please be seated*)

Holy One,

there is no God like you.

In praise and thanksgiving,

we come before you

ready to learn of your power,

***ready to follow your path for our lives.
Through days of jubilation as well as dejection,
help us realize your influence in the world.
We ask simply for ears to hear, eyes to see,
and minds to comprehend
the blessings you bestow. Amen.***

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Samuel 1:4-20

- 1:4 On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters;
- 1:5 but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb.
- 1:6 Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb.
- 1:7 So, it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore, Hannah wept and would not eat.
- 1:8 Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"
- 1:9 After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD.
- 1:10 She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly.
- 1:11 She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."
- 1:12 As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth.
- 1:13 Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore, Eli thought she was drunk.
- 1:14 So, Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine."
- 1:15 But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD.
- 1:16 Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time."
- 1:17 Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him."
- 1:18 And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer.

- 1:19 They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her.
- 1:20 In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

1 Samuel 2:1-10 (Please read responsively the bold text)

- 2:1 Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory.
- 2:2 "There is no Holy One like the LORD, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God.**
- 2:3 Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.
- 2:4 The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength.**
- 2:5 Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil. The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn.
- 2:6 The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up.**
- 2:7 The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts.
- 2:8 He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and on them he has set the world.**
- 2:9 "He will guard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail.
- 2:10 The LORD! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven. The LORD will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed."**

Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25

- 10:11 And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins.
- 10:12 But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God,"
- 10:13 and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet."
- 10:14 For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.
- 10:15 And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,
- 10:16 "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,"
- 10:17 he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."
- 10:18 Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

- 10:19 Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus,
 10:20 by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh),
 10:21 and since we have a great priest over the house of God,
 10:22 let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.
 10:23 Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful.
 10:24 And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds,
 10:25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Mark 13:1-8 (Please stand for the Gospel)

- 13:1 As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!"
 13:2 Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."
 13:3 When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately,
 13:4 "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?"
 13:5 Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray.
 13:6 Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray.
 13:7 When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come.
 13:8 For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.

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.)

***Rock of Salvation,
 you give children to the barren
 and strength to the feeble;
 you exalt the poor
 and lift up the needy.***

***We praise your holy name from morning to night,
 yet we build walls that separate us: from you,
 from one another, from the world,***

*even from ourselves.
We place stumbling blocks
in the way of goodness and truth.
We are led astray by promises of earthly treasure.
We confess our fallibility
and seek solace in the God of our joy.
Teach us to pray and praise without pause,
confessing hope ceaselessly.
Guide us in our efforts
to encourage one another,
to work together for good in the world,
and to prepare for the day of the Lord.*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*Our hearts are sprinkled clean and our bodies washed with the water of God's love.
Through the gift of Jesus Christ, God assures us that we are pardoned, forgiven,
absolved, and released from our sin.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!*

HOMILY

STATEMENT OF FAITH #882 (Apostles' Creed Ecumenical Version)

***I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.***

***I believe 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, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living 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.***

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.***

BAPTISM

HYMN #419

I Am Thine, O Lord
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OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY

Prelude on "Foundation" Sam Batt Owens

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Mighty God, Architect of the Universe; your work of creation and building is always before us! We give our gifts this day in hopes that we might be co-builders with you in the creation of your kingdom here on earth! May our gifts also reach others who are hurting, who feel disconnected from your love, that they too may join us in the stonework of kingdom-building, whose mortar is the sharing of Christ's love with the world. In Christ, our Savior and Redeemer, 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 #129

Give to the Winds Thy Fears
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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs Robert J. Powell

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Baptism

We joyfully celebrate the baptism of Camille Eleanor Opheim, daughter of Lara and Dustin Opheim. Her maternal grandparents are Beth and Jim Holimon. May we as the fellowship of Lake Toxaway UMC hold this child, parents and family in our prayers today and in the future.

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the altar are from Jim & Beth Holimon in honor of Camille Opheim, their granddaughter for her baptism today.

From the Worship Committee:

- ***Masks will no longer be required for those who are vaccinated.***
- *Those who are not vaccinated will be required to wear a mask.*
- *Anyone wishing to wear a mask may do so.*
- *Masks are available if needed. Please request one.*

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". The app is for everyone.

Outreach – Feeding those at The Haven

Thank you to the following volunteers who have signed up to feed those staying at The Haven.

Louis Spencer – August 15th

John & Char Holbrook – October 3rd

John & Judy Lefler – November 14th

PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

Please pray for Jack Jeter, Renee Alexander, Keith and Jackie Skivington, 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 and Frank Hardin.

Please pray for Houston Hudson, Marcus' brother-in-law who was admitted into the hospital in Greenville, SC with Covid-19. 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.

Please pray for our student scholars.

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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

LYONS
10.11.11

I Am Thine, O Lord

1. I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice, and it
 2. Con - se - crate me now to thy ser - vice, Lord, by the
 3. O the pure de - light of a sin - gle hour that be -
 4. There are depths of love that I can - not know till I

told thy love to me; but I long to rise in the
 power of grace di - vine; let my soul look up with a
 fore thy throne I spend, when I kneel in prayer, and with
 cross the nar - row sea; there are heights of joy that I

arms of faith and be clos - er drawn to thee.
 stead - fast hope, and my will be lost in thine.
 thee, my God, I com - mune as friend with friend!
 may not reach till I rest in peace with thee.

Refrain

Draw me near - er, near - er, bless - ed Lord, to the
 near - er, near - er,

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "I Am Thine". It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 7/10. The lyrics are: "cross where thou hast died. Draw me near - er, near - er, near - er, bless - ed Lord, to thy pre - cious, bleed - ing side." The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the last two lines. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

cross where thou hast died. Draw me near - er, near - er,

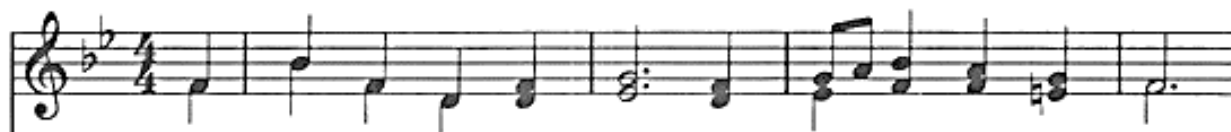
near - er, bless - ed Lord, to thy pre - cious, bleed - ing side.

WORDS: Fanny J. Crosby, 1875 (Heb. 10:22)
 MUSIC: William H. Doane, 1875

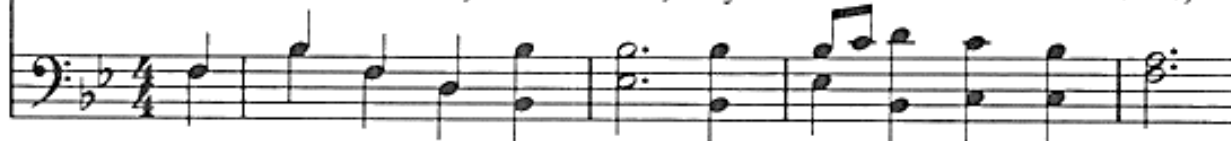
I AM THINE
 10 7.10 7 with Refrain

Give to the Winds Thy Fears

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1. Give to the winds thy fears; hope and be un - dis - mayed.
2. Through waves and clouds and storms, God gent - ly clears thy way;
3. Leave to God's sov - ereign sway to choose and to com - mand;
4. Let us in life, in death, thy stead - fast truth de - clare,



God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears, God shall lift up thy head.
wait thou God's time; so shall this night soon end in joy - ous day.
so shalt thou, won - dering, own that way, how wise, how strong this hand.
and pub - lish with our lat - est breath thy love and guard - ian care.



WORDS: Paul Gerhardt, 1653; trans. by John Wesley, 1739 (Ps. 37:5)
MUSIC: William H. Walter, 1894

FESTAL SONG
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