



Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church
Sunday, June 20th, 2021

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Community Worship Service
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, June 20th

9:30 A.M. Livestream link: <https://youtu.be/p2L49avY2W0>

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Foundation" Sam Batt Owens

GREETING

L: In the midst of life's storms, God is there.

P: What have we to fear?

L: In the darkness and terror, God is with us.

P: Of whom shall we be afraid?

L: Rise up, people of God, for you are loved and saved.

P: Thanks be to God who cares deeply for us. AMEN.

HYMN #89

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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OPENING PRAYER *(Please be seated)*

Lord, we have come this day, seeking your presence and healing love. Be with us as we hear the words of hope and compassion. Give us courage to learn and grow that we might serve you faithfully all of our days. AMEN.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49 (We will only read aloud: 10-11, 19-23, 32-37)

- 17:1a Now the Philistines gathered their armies for battle; they were gathered at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim.
- 17:4 And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span.
- 17:5 He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail; the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze.
- 17:6 He had greaves of bronze on his legs and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders.
- 17:7 The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron; and his shield-bearer went before him.

- 17:8 He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me.
- 17:9 If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants; but if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us."
- 17:10 And the Philistine said, "Today I defy the ranks of Israel! Give me a man, that we may fight together."
- 17:11 When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.
- 17:19 Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines.
- 17:20 David rose early in the morning, left the sheep with a keeper, took the provisions, and went as Jesse had commanded him. He came to the encampment as the army was going forth to the battle line, shouting the war cry.
- 17:21 Israel and the Philistines drew up for battle, army against army.
- 17:22 David left the things in charge of the keeper of the baggage, ran to the ranks, and went and greeted his brothers.
- 17:23 As he talked with them, the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, came up out of the ranks of the Philistines, and spoke the same words as before. And David heard him.
- 17:32 David said to Saul, "Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine."
- 17:33 Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth."
- 17:34 But David said to Saul, "Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock,
- 17:35 I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it.
- 17:36 Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God."
- 17:37 David said, "The LORD, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine." So Saul said to David, "Go, and may the LORD be with you!"
- 17:38 Saul clothed David with his armor; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail.
- 17:39 David strapped Saul's sword over the armor, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, "I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them." So David removed them.

- 17:40 Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine.
- 17:41 The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him.
- 17:42 When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance.
- 17:43 The Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.
- 17:44 The Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field."
- 17:45 But David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.
- 17:46 This very day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel,
- 17:47 and that all this assembly may know that the LORD does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's and he will give you into our hand."
- 17:48 When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine.
- 17:49 David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.

Psalm 9:9-20 (Please read responsively the bold text)

- 9:9 The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.
- 9:10 And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.**
- 9:11 Sing praises to the LORD, who dwells in Zion. Declare his deeds among the peoples.
- 9:12 For he who avenges blood is mindful of them; he does not forget the cry of the afflicted.**
- 9:13 Be gracious to me, O LORD. See what I suffer from those who hate me; you are the one who lifts me up from the gates of death,
- 9:14 so that I may recount all your praises, and, in the gates of daughter Zion, rejoice in your deliverance.**
- 9:15 The nations have sunk in the pit that they made; in the net that they hid has their own foot been caught.
- 9:16 The LORD has made himself known, he has executed judgment; the wicked are snared in the work of their own hands. Higgsion. Selah**
- 9:17 The wicked shall depart to Sheol, all the nations that forget God.
- 9:18 For the needy shall not always be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor perish forever.**
- 9:19 Rise up, O LORD! Do not let mortals prevail; let the nations be judged before you.

**9:20 Put them in fear, O LORD; let the nations know that they are only human.
Selah**

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

- 6:1 As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain.
- 6:2 For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation!
- 6:3 We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry,
- 6:4 but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities,
- 6:5 beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger;
- 6:6 by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love,
- 6:7 truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left;
- 6:8 in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true;
- 6:9 as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see--we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed;
- 6:10 as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.
- 6:11 We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you.
- 6:12 There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours.
- 6:13 In return--I speak as to children--open wide your hearts also.

Mark 4:35-41 (Please stand for the Gospel)

- 4:35 On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side."
- 4:36 And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him.
- 4:37 A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped.
- 4:38 But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?"
- 4:39 He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm.
- 4:40 He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?"
- 4:41 And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

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

P: Thanks be to God.

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.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(Let us offer our silent confessions.)

God of love and power, we listen to the stories of miracles and doubt that these things can happen today. We look at the waves of misfortune, distress, misery, distrust, and anger and wonder how we can still those waves. We feel the pressures of power and fear flooding into our lives, threatening to drown us and wonder where you are. Forgive us for the littleness of our faith. Forgive us for our doubts. Help us to place out trust in you, Lord Jesus. Help us to fix our eyes on you and on the ministries to which you have called us. For we ask these things in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Fear not! God is with us, stilling the storms and raging fears in our lives. Place your trust in God always. AMEN.

*In the name of Jesus, who is the Christ,
you are forgiven.*

In the name of Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

HOMILY

STATEMENT OF FAITH #887 (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.

HYMN #129

Give to the Winds Thy Fears
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OFFERTORY

Be Thou With Me J. S. Bach

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of the heavens, the land and the water that covers it, we know what it is like to be tossed about in a storm. We know that the faith we profess when days are calm and sunny is challenged and shaky when the storm is furious and the water is swamping our boat. As we offer our gifts to you this day, they are given with the hope that we will be better able to let go of what the world tells us will guarantee our security and find our hope and assurance in your redeeming love. Dedicate these gifts in the knowledge that there are other boats besides ours in the same storm. We pray this prayer in the powerful name of Jesus. Amen.

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 #529

How Firm a Foundation
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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Hymn to Joy arr. Albert L Travis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers on the Altar

Today's orchid arrangement are given by Dell Anderson's family in loving memory of her mother, Dorie Sims.

LTUMC Website Member login

We are in the process of having you sign up on our LTUMC website. You will have future access to our online directory and committee agendas and meetings if you serve on a committee. We will have sign-ups for hospitality, flowers, ushers, counters. Please go to our website to register: <https://www.laketoxawayumc.org/index.php/members/register>. Please reach out to Saunders at 469-569-2314 or administrator@laketowawayumc.org with any questions.

PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

Please pray for John & Becky Shoemaker's son, John. Don & Nancy Buebendorf, Kirk Smith, John & Sue Thomas, Katherine Jeter, Thomas Blackstock, Marty Young, Chad & Anne Zimmerman, Cathie Fussell's nephew, Jeff Tilley, Madison Coleman & the Jeter family, Bill Holden, Conor, Cynthia Wood's friends' two-year-old son and Frank Hardin.

Please continue to pray for those who have had the death of a loved one in the recent weeks and months.

Please pray for those with illness, upcoming surgery and recovery. Please pray for them, their recoveries and spouse/caregiver.

Please pray for all student scholars and especially those who are attending a summer semester.

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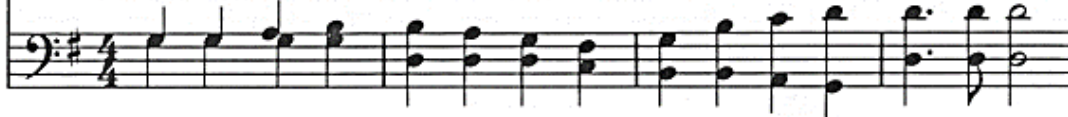
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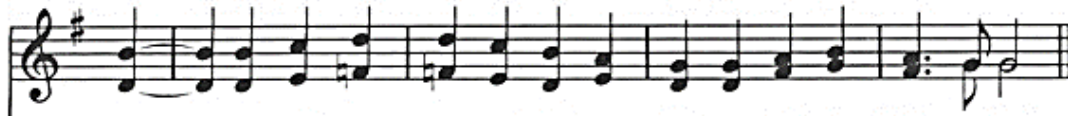
1. Joy-ful, joy - ful, we a-dore thee, God of glo-ry, Lord of love;
 2. All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re-lect thy rays,
 3. Thou art giv-ing and for-giv-ing, ev-er bless-ing, ev-er blest,
 4. Mor-tals, join the might-y cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan;



hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, open-ing to the sun a-bove.
 stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.
 well-spring of the joy of liv-ing, o-cean depth of hap-py rest!
 love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, bind-ing all with-in its span.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a-way.
 Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flow-ery mead-ow, flash-ing sea,
 Thou our Fa-ther, Christ our broth-er, all who live in love are thine;
 Ev-er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic-tors in the midst of strife;

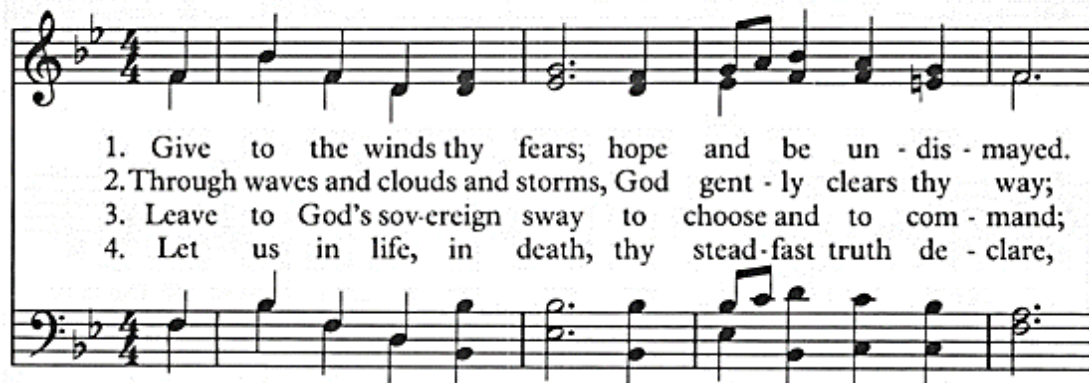


Giv-er of im-mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day!
 chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re-joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth-er, lift us to the joy di-vine.
 joy-ful mu-sic leads us sun-ward, in the tri-umph song of life.

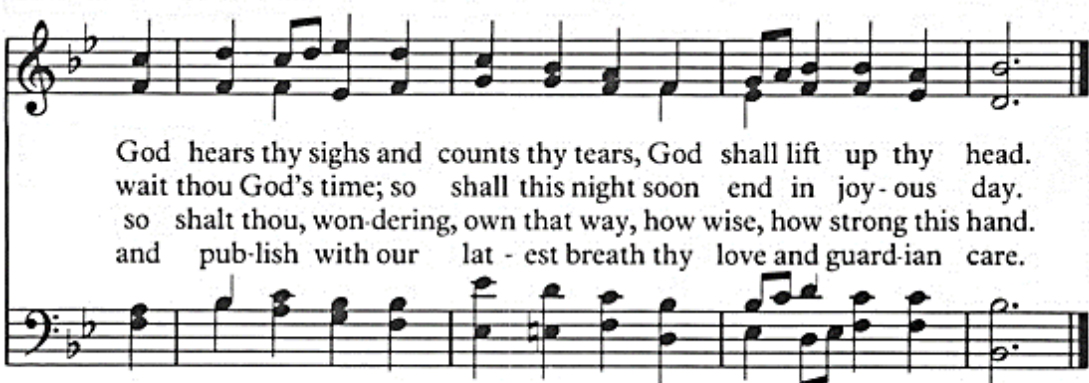


Give to the Winds Thy Fears

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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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How Firm a Foundation

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1. How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
 2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
 3. "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
 4. "When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie,
 5. "The soul that on Je - sus still leans for re - pose,

is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
 for I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;
 my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can he say than to you he hath said,
 I'll strength - en and help thee, and cause thee to stand
 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

WORDS: "K" in Rippon's *Selection of Hymns*, 1787 (2 Tim. 2:19; Heb. 13:5; Is. 43:1-2)
 MUSIC: Early USA melody; harm. from *Tabor*, 1866

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