

Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church
Sunday, June 4th, 2023

Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church
Community Worship Service & Communion
Trinity Sunday - First Sunday after Pentecost, June 4th

9:30 A.M. Livestream is now available via the LTUMC YouTube channel:
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RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

Dove of Peace Gilbert M. Martin

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Please stand)*

We come today to worship the Triune God, even as we, like the Eleven on the mountainside, have our doubts.

Holy Trinity, meet us in our questions and help us embrace your mystery.

We come to encounter the God who is both immense and particular, greater than words can describe, and yet intimately present with us.

Holy Trinity, surround us with your love that brings order to chaos and community to individualism.

We come to give thanks to the God who created and sustains us, and who calls us to steward the earth and all that live in it.

Holy Trinity, empower us to enter into partnership with you for the flourishing of all creation with gratitude and joy.

We come to receive Christ's commission to make disciples, to baptize, and to teach the gospel wherever we go.

God, immerse us in the life of the Holy Trinity that we might go and welcome others into the dance of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

HYMN #64

Holy, Holy, Holy

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OPENING PRAYER *(Please be seated)*

Great Creator, who are we that you are mindful of us?

Who are we that you care for us?

We don't know what we have done to deserve your love, God; maybe nothing at all. And yet, you give it freely, openly, enthusiastically—asking only that we receive it, hoping only that we share it.

Come, and help us receive it. Come, and help us share it. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

- 1:1 In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth,
1:2 the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.
- 1:3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.
1:4 And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness.
1:5 God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.
- 1:6 And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters."
1:7 So, God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so.
- 1:8 God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.
1:9 And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so.
- 1:10 God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.
1:11 Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so.
- 1:12 The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good.
1:13 And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.
- 1:14 And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years,
1:15 and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so.
- 1:16 God made the two great lights--the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night--and the stars.
1:17 God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth,
1:18 to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good.
- 1:19 And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.
1:20 And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky."
1:21 So, God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

- 1:22 God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth."
- 1:23 And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.
- 1:24 And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so.
- 1:25 God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.
- 1:26 Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."
- 1:27 So, God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.
- 1:28 God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."
- 1:29 God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food.
- 1:30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so.
- 1:31 God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.
- 2:1 Thus, the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude.
- 2:2 And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done.
- 2:3 So, God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.
- 2:4a These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Psalm 8 (Psalter Lesson ~ Please read the bold text)

- 8:1 O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.
- 8:2 Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.
- 8:3 When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;**
- 8:4 what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?
- 8:5 Yet you have made them a little lower 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 Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

2 Corinthians 13:11-13 (Epistle Reading)

13:11 Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.

13:12 Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

13:13 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Matthew 28:16-20 (Please stand for the Gospel)

28:16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.

28:17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted.

28:18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

28:19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

28:20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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

P: Thanks be to God.

SOLO

O sing unto the Lord Antonin Dvorak

SERMON

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881 (The Apostles' Creed – Please stand)

***I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;***

And 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, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.***

THE GLORIA PATRI #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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Please be seated)*

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
(Let us offer our silent confessions.)*

Gracious God, we confess our sin, which separates us from you. We know how people who belong to you should live, but we fail to live that way. At times we have forgotten that we bear your image and have done evil. At times we have forgotten to live in response to your sacrifice for us and have acted selfishly. At times we have ignored the voice of your spirit speaking to our conscience, and we have followed the desires of our own heart. As a result, we have lived for self rather than for you or our neighbor, our lives have been diminished, our witness has been stifled, and your image within us has been tarnished. Forgive us, good Lord, through Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, guide us to live as people who know and love you. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

The Lord, who saves you, says: I am the God who forgives your sins; I do this because of who I am. I will not hold your sins against you. We praise the triune God who forgives and heals us!

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

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OFFERTORY SOLO

The Call R. Vaughan William

DOXOLOGY #95

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of all creation, we offer our gifts in gratitude this morning – not just for what you do in our lives, but for who you are in our lives. You are with us in the person of the Father, the God above us. You come to meet us as the Son, as God beside us. You empower us to do the work of kingdom-building by the Holy Spirit – God within us, providing strength and boldness that we would never find on our own. May these gifts be tools that make the transformation of the world a reality. We pray in the name of one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION #617

I Come with Joy

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(Please be seated)*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor gives thanks and remembers God's acts of salvation, and concludes:...and so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The pastor continues the thanksgiving. The institution of the Lord's Supper is recalled.

The pastor concludes:...and so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering

for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

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.

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves to others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #571

Go, Make of All Disciples

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BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #393

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Amen.

POSTLUDE *(Please be seated)*

Finale on Holy, Holy, Holy Piet Post

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guest Soloist:

*Please extend a warm welcome **Doug Grimm** as our guest soloist today. Doug has shared his talent with us in the past and we are excited to have him return. Doug is a graduate of Brevard High School and holds degrees in music from UNC-G and Ohio University.*

Memorial Service for Ed Castle:

*A memorial service for Ed Castle, a long time LTUMC church member is scheduled for **Saturday, June 10, 2023 at 2 PM** at Lake Toxaway UMC.*

Monthly Potluck/Covered Dish

*Our next potluck will be **Tuesday, May 9th at 6:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall with a Capital Campaign Q&A. Please bring your friends and neighbors.*

Future potluck dates*: 6/13/23, 7/11/23, 8/8/23, 9/12/23, 10/10/23, 11/14/23, 12/12/23

*(*subject to change).*

Our Daily Bread Devotionals:

We have copies of the June, July & August Our Daily Bread Devotionals at both entrances of the church and in the Fellowship Hall. Please help yourself.

PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

Please pray for those who have long-term illness, health concerns and special intentions.

Please pray for those having or had a surgery and their recovery.

Our heartfelt prayers for all who have experienced the recent passing of a loved one. Especially for the Zimmerman family of Chad's passing on 5/25/23.

Please continue to pray for our student scholars, our local students, teachers and staff.

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1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love and pur - i - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

WORDS: Reginald Heber, 1826 (Rev. 4:8-11)
 MUSIC: John B. Dykes, 1861

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I Come with Joy

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Unison

1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, for - giv - en,
 2. I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as
 3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud di -
 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His pres - ence,
 5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll go our

loved and free, in awe and won - der to re - call his
 all are fed, the new com - mun - i - ty of love in
 vi - sion ends. The love that made us makes us one, and
 al - ways near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known; we
 dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple in the world, we'll

life laid down for me, his life laid down for me.
 Christ's com - mun - ion bread, in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
 see and praise him here, we see and praise him here.
 live and speak his praise, we'll live and speak his praise.

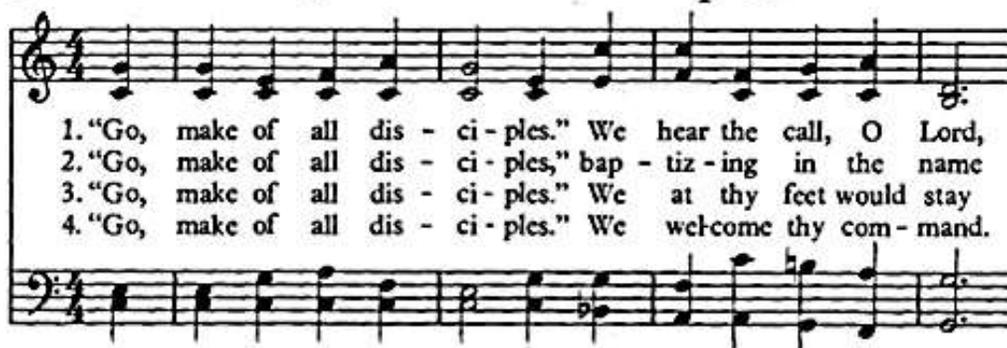
WORDS: Brian Wren, 1968 (1 Cor. 10:16-17)

MUSIC: *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1987

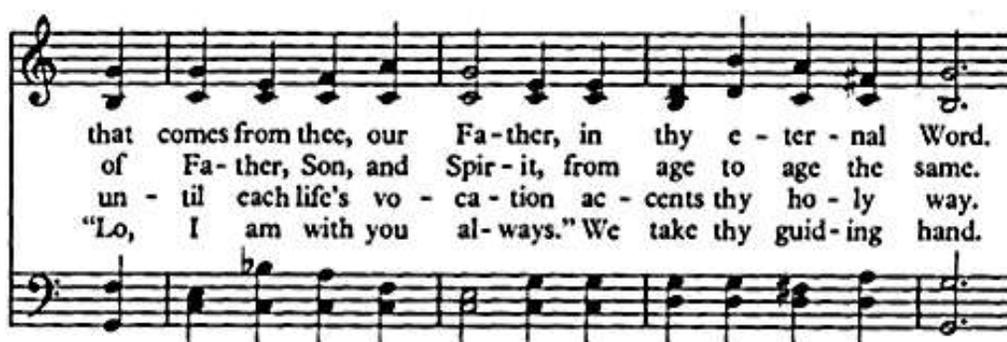
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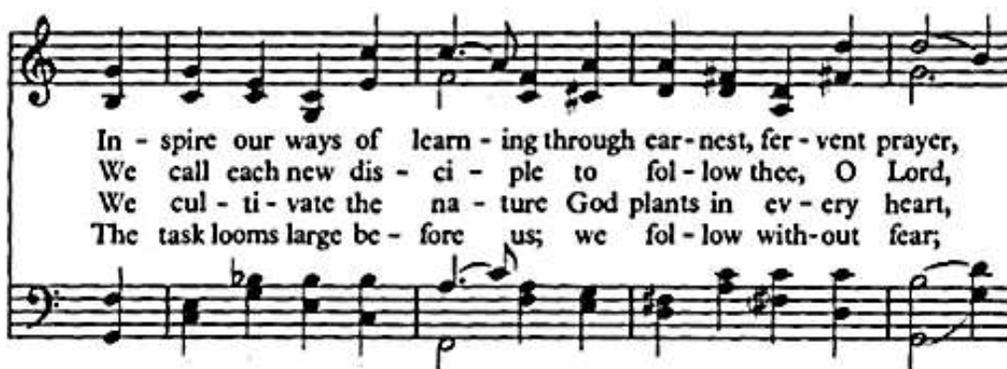
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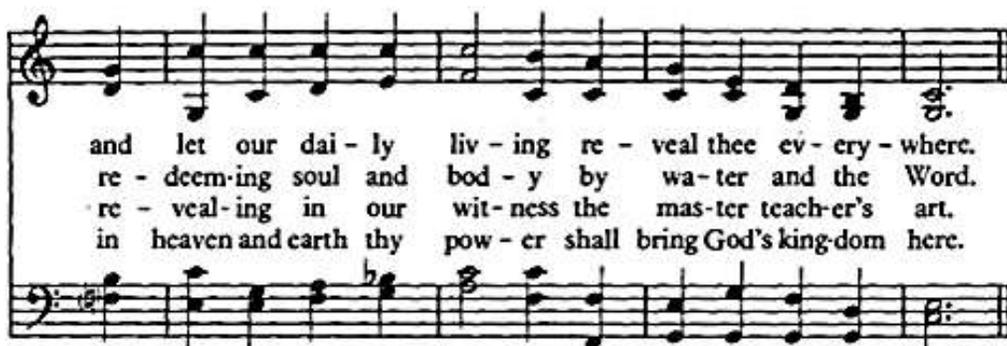
1. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We hear the call, O Lord,
 2. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples," bap - tiz - ing in the name
 3. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We at thy feet would stay
 4. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We welcome thy com - mand.



that comes from thee, our Fa - ther, in thy e - ter - nal Word.
 of Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, from age to age the same.
 un - til each life's vo - ca - tion ac - cents thy ho - ly way.
 "Lo, I am with you al - ways." We take thy guid - ing hand.



In - spire our ways of learn - ing through ear - nest, fer - vent prayer,
 We call each new dis - ci - ple to fol - low thee, O Lord,
 We cul - ti - vate the na - ture God plants in ev - ery heart,
 The task looms large be - fore us; we fol - low with - out fear;



and let our dai - ly liv - ing re - veal thee ev - ery - where.
 re - deem - ing soul and bod - y by wa - ter and the Word.
 re - veal - ing in our wit - ness the mas - ter teach - er's art.
 in heaven and earth thy pow - er shall bring God's king - dom here.

WORDS: Leon M. Adkins, 1955, alt. (Mt. 28:19-20)
 MUSIC: Henry T. Smart, 1835

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Spirit of the Living God

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

WORDS: Daniel Iverson, 1926; adapt. (Acts 11:15)
 MUSIC: Daniel Iverson, 1926

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Capital Campaign Pledge for Fellowship Hall

Name of Contributor: *(please print)*

Pledge by Year: 2023 _____ 2024 _____ 2025 _____

I understand that my pledge is to be used for the construction of the new Fellowship Hall and is in addition to my normal contributions that go to LTUMC for operating costs and outreach programs.

Should the capital campaign overrun its target goal the additional funds will be used to replace balance sheet reserves used to fund Fellowship Hall construction.

Signature of Contributor

Date

As you prayerfully consider your pledge the following resources may be helpful:

If you have questions about the project and want to discuss, then ask the Chair of the Building Committee, Scott Walter. He can be contacted by email at scottnos@gmail.com or by phone at (314) 374-2969.

If you are considering various forms of a gift like appreciated assets, stocks, etc. and have questions, then contact John Lefler, Treasurer of LTUMC. John can be contacted by email at jdlefler013@gmail.com or by phone at (850) 830-6399.

You may return your pledge cards to the church in various ways. You can put it in the offering plate during any church service. *You can mail it to Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church, PO Box 83, Lake Toxaway, NC 28747 Attn: Capital Campaign.*

You can scan and email the form to Tom Blackstock, Administrative Council Chair, at Tom.Blackstock@gmail.com. Or, you can give it to Marcus or any of the contacts listed on this card.

Upcoming Dates for the Campaign:

June 13, 2023 – Covered Dished Dinner in the Fellowship Hall 6pm – Project discussions with Q&A

June 24, 2023 – Commitment Sunday – All pledges will be received and blessed in the service
