

Lake Toxarvay United Methodist Church November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

# Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church Community Worship Service Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost, Nov 17th

10:00 A.M. Livestream is available on the LTUMC YouTube channel: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqtuJe20i8DN75">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqtuJe20i8DN75</a> Cfq1sWCq

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

Adagio in A-flat (from Organ Sonata #1)
Felix Mendelssohn/arr. Hopson

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Please stand as you are able)

We approach the God of grace and glory, who has called us to worship this day. We arrive from the chaos of our world into the clarity of God's presence. We leave the struggles of our lives to embrace the power of God's love. May this hour bring us courage and a time to strengthen our faith.

**HYMN #577** 

God of Grace and God of Glory Located in the back of the bulletin - (Printed w/ permission)

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

God of possibilities, fill us with your hope and faithfulness.
Listen to us as we pour out our souls before you.
Grant us the grace to be your people and to live your teachings.
Live in us, that we may arise with hope and walk in love.
In the name of Christ our rock, we pray. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Please be seated)

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

Merciful God, look upon us, your servants gathered here, with grace and compassion.

Hear our every need.

Speak to our fearful hearts, that we may pour out our confessions and admit our wrongdoings.

Loving God, you have heard our anxieties, our vexations, our worries, our hopes, our dreams.

Breathe in us the spirit of forgiveness, that we may receive your grace, and may walk in freedom and glorious hope.

In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

#### **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for our God, the God of all ages, the one who has promised forgiveness, is faithful!

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

#### **GOSPEL READING**

#### Matthew 4:18-22 - What's in a Calling? (Gospel)

(Please stand as you are able)

- 4:18 As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen.
- 14:9 "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."
- 4:20 At once they left their nets and followed him.
- 4:21 Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James, son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them,
- 4:22 and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

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

P: Thanks be to God.

#### **HOMILY**

#### STATEMENT OF FAITH #881 (The Apostles' Creed)

(Please stand as you are able)

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.

#### **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 #569**

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#### **OFFERING**

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

#### **OFFERTORY**

Adagio Baldassare Galuppi/arr. Hopson

DOXOLOGY #95 (Please stand as you are able)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him, all creatures here below Praise Him above, ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Please continue standing)

Merciful God, whose wisdom surpasses all understanding, we offer these gifts as a token of our faith and devotion. In a world full of uncertainties, may these offerings be used to spread your hope and love. Teach us to listen to your voice amid the noise and to trust in your steadfast presence. Bless our giving, that it may build your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS** (Please be seated)

#### 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 #571** (Please stand as you are able)

Go, Make of All Disciples
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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE (Please be seated)

Variations on CWM RHONDDA - Welsh hymn tune Setting by H. Hopson

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Guest Pastor**

Please extend a warm welcome to Rev. John Boggs in celebrating today's service with us. He and his wife, Anita reside in Brevard. John is also a native of Brevard, a retired UMC elder from the WNC. He served as a UMC District Superintendent. Anita is a first cousin once removed to Marcus.

#### Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the altar are in honor of Frankie Haraschak & Harper Haraschak given by their grandparents Joe & Liz Haraschak & great aunt, Louise Miller.

#### <u> Bible Study – Sunday Mornings</u> <u>– 8:45 AM</u>

The Bible study meets on **Sundays at 8:45 AM in the Minnich Conference room with Don Henderson** is leading it. **The Bible study will conclude at the end of November and will reconvene next Spring.** 

#### Prayer Ministry

They meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 9:30 AM in the church. E-mail prayer requests to LTUMCPrayerRequests@gmail.com

#### Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner

The Annual Community Wide Thanksgiving Dinner. Sunday November 24th at 5:00, in The Family Life Center.

Sponsored by North Toxaway Baptist Church and the Lake Toxaway Fire Department

#### AA Meetings Thursday Nights

The weekly AA meeting is every Thursday at 4:45 PM in the Dice Hall. In an effort to honor anonymity please do not go to the Parish building from 4:15 PM - 6:00 PM on Thursdays.

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

Please pray for those who have long-term illness, health concerns and special intentions. We especially pray for Charlie Steele and Patti Black. We pray for Thomas Blackstock and his treatments.

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. We pray for Anita Harvill & family as Andy passed away on Monday, 10/28/24.

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

#### **STAFF & LAY OLUNTEERS**

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