



*Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church
Consecration Sunday, June 30th, 2024*

Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church
Community Worship Service
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost, June 30th

**9:30 A.M. Livestream is available on the LTUMC YouTube channel:
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RINGING OF THE BELL – *Please observe silence as we prepare for the service.*

PRELUDE

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us arr. Dallas Blair

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

L. The earth and its fullness are the Lord's,

P. The world and those who dwell in it.

L. He set the earth on its foundations,

P. So that it shall never be shaken.

L. What can we do without the Lord's help?

P. With God, all things are possible.

L. Every house is built by someone,

P. But the builder of all things is God.

L. So praise the Lord who made heaven and earth.

P. Praise the Lord who blesses us abundantly.

L. He has called us to renovate and build a parish hall for his holy work.

P. In our midst, he has done marvelous things.

L. Praise the Lord, who builds his kingdom with his people.

P. Praise the Lord, whose foundation is Christ, the chief cornerstone. May our worship be pleasing to the Triune God!

HYMN # 57

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing
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STATEMENT OF FAITH #882 (The Apostles' Creed Ecumenical Version)
(Please stand as you are able)

***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.***

OPENING PRAYER (Please be seated)

***Living and faithful Spirit,
the God in whom we live and move and have our being,
the God who is made known in Christ Jesus,
bless us one and all as we worship you this day.
Please remove from our minds and hearts
whatever impediments hinder worship or dampen our joy.
Increase within us that holy longing for closeness
which can open our lives to fuller delight
and to a deeper commitment.
May our hymns and prayers,
our searching thoughts, and our hearing of the Scriptures,
be an exercise in the holiest communion with You, O God.
By you, with you and for you, may our lives publish your praise.
In the name of Christ Jesus. Amen.***

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 100 (Pg. 821 in the Hymnal - Psalter Lesson – Please read the bold text)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into God's presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, who made us, is God.

We are the Lord's;

we are the people of God,

the sheep of God's pasture

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving,

and God's courts with praise!

Give thanks and bless God's name!

For the Lord is good;

God's steadfast love endures for ever;

God's faithfulness to all generations.

Genesis 32:23-32 (Epistle Reading)

32:23 He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had.

32:24 Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

32:25 When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him.

32:26 Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me."

32:27 So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob."

32:28 Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed."

32:29 Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him.

32:30 So Jacob called the place Peniel,[d] saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved."

32:31 The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

32:32 Therefore to this day the Israelites do not eat the thigh muscle that is on the hip socket, because he struck Jacob on the hip socket at the thigh muscle.

SOLO – Doug Grimm

Prayer arr. Adams

HOMILY – Rev. Dr. Mark Ralls - "Wrestling with a Stranger"

HYMN #568

Christ for the World we Sing
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LITANY OF THANKSGIVING AT DEDICATION

L: With praise and thanksgiving, let us pray to God, through whom all things are accomplished:

Eternal God and Creator of all things, we give you high praise for the good work you do among us:

P: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For our baptism in faith, for your forgiveness of our sins, for the founding of our church and for its sustaining by your gracious hand:

P: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For the unity of the Holy Spirit, for the saving work of your Son, Jesus our Lord, whose name you give us our mission.

P: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For bringing our present work to completion in a new Parish Hall, which we dedicate to your glory:

P: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who you inspired with this vision and those who helped to bring it about:

P: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who contributed their knowledge and gifts and those who contributed their sweat and labor:

P: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who prayed for this great gift, but who have been taken into your heavenly care before seeing it accomplished:

P: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: Grant, by your grace, that all who enter this place may know the blessings of your Son, Jesus Christ:

P: Hear our prayer.

L: Grant that those who will use this hall may deepen their participation in parish life:

P: Hear our prayer.

L: Grant that strangers and sojourners may feel a sense of welcome here in the Lord:

P: Hear our prayer.

L: May faith abide in this place:

P: In the name of the Father.

L: May love abound in this place:

P: In the name of the Son.

L: may your presence be known in this place:

P: In the name of the Holy Spirit.

L: Use this building for your holy purpose, O God.

P: Use us as living stones to do your will.

L: Holy God, Mighty Lord, you bless us in so many ways with your gifts, and now especially with the gift of this new building. May its use bring all honor and glory to you, and advance the kingdom of your Son; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

P: Amen

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OFFERTORY SOLO – Doug Grimm

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands arr. Margaret Bonds

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)

Generous God, we offer our gifts with open hearts, recognizing that our generosity reflects our faith in you and your actions in the world. May our giving be a reflection of the Gospel in which we believe. Help us to share according to what we have, knowing that in the body of Christ, we are bound together in a relationship, offering help and hope to one another. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER 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 #577 (Please stand as you are able)

God of Grace and God of Glory
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RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION

DS: People of God at Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church, you undertook this renovation and new building in the belief God called you to become a stronger witness to your community. God clearly has blessed you in your undertaking and guided your good work to completion. Is it your intention to be a light on a hill and to dedicate this renovation and building to God's service, for the advancement of the Gospel, the fellowship of the believers, and the witness of Christ's love in your community?

P: It is our intent, by the help of God.

DS: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe. Your gifts are many, and in wisdom you have made all things to give you glory. Be with us now and bless us as we dedicate this Parish Hall to your praise and honor. Give us joy in all your works, and grant that this Parish Hall may always be a place where your will is done and your name is glorified; through you Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

P: Amen.

POSTLUDE (Please be seated)

We're Marching to Zion arr. Dallas Blair

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers on the Altar

*The flowers on the altar are given by **Kit & Laura Whitehurst in loving memory of Paul Austin & Julie Whitehurst.***

Welcome Rev. Dr. Mark Ralls

Mark is here to lead us in our consecration service this morning. He serves as Superintendent of our Blue Ridge UMC District. His wife, Jennifer, is a school psychologist with the Buncombe County Schools.

Guest Soloist & Trumpeter

Please welcome back Doug Grimm, our soloist, and Luke Norton, our trumpeter to help us celebrate today.

Parish Building Open House – this afternoon

*Our open house will be this afternoon from **2:30-4:30 PM** and is open to all.*

Bible Study

*The new Bible study will begin, **Sunday, July 7th at 8:15 AM** in the Minnich Conference room with **Don Henderson** leading it. Please contact him at bacpac@comporium.net with questions*

Prayer Ministry

They will meet the 2nd & 4th Fridays of the month at 9:30 AM in the sanctuary. Please email them with requests to LTUMCPrayerRequests@gmail.com.

AA Meetings Thursday Nights

*We are happy to announce there will be a weekly **AA meeting every Thursday at 4:45 PM** in the Dice Hall.*

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. Especially for Patricia Simmons who is recovering from surgery.

Our heartfelt prayers for all who have experienced the recent passing of a loved one

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

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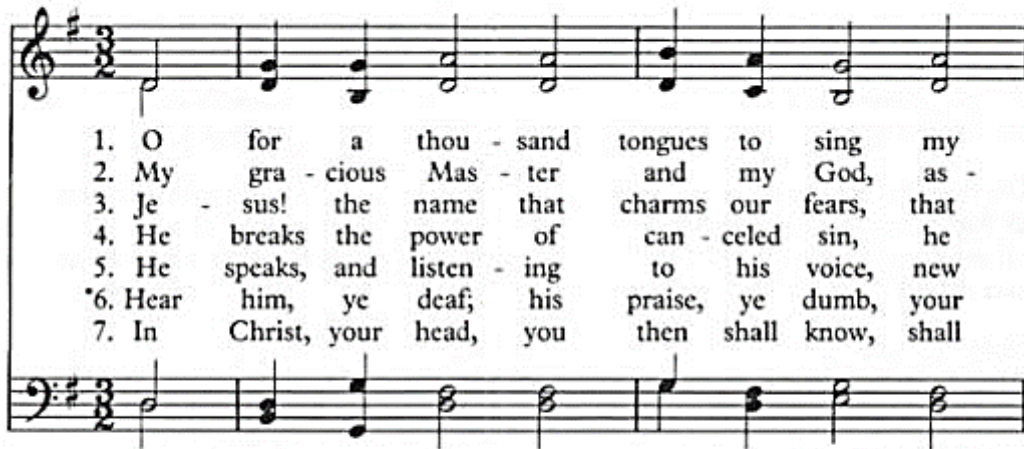
Audio/Visual for Livestream Chair: Joe Haraschak 813-918-1916

Soloist: Doug Grimm

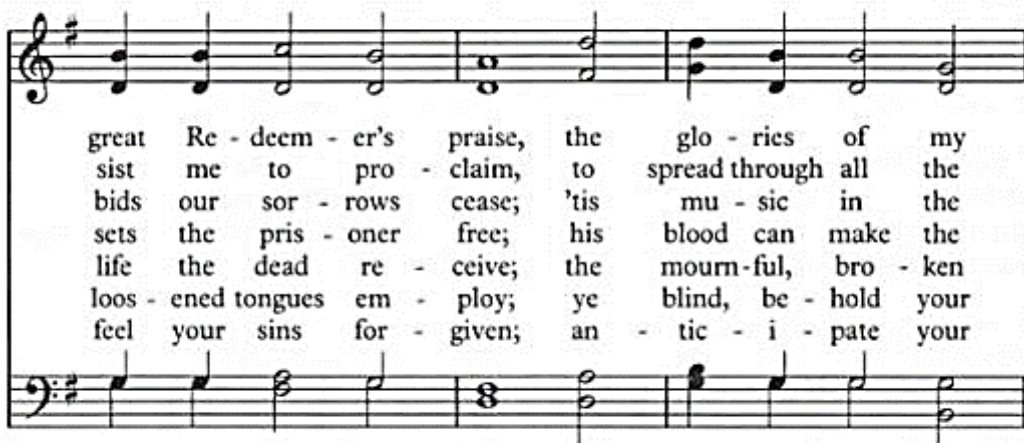
Trumpeter: Luke Norton

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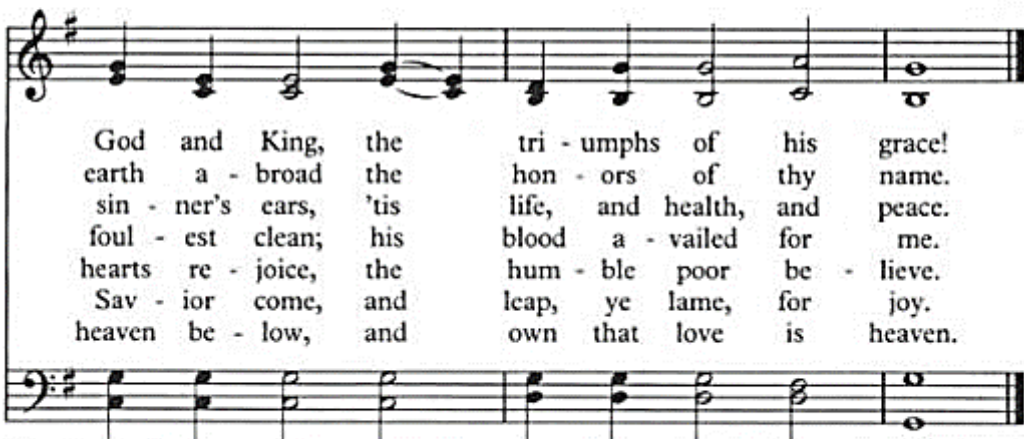
O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing 57



1. O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 2. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
 3. Je - sus! the name that charms our fears, that
 4. He breaks the power of can - celed sin, he
 5. He speaks, and listen - ing to his voice, new
 *6. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your
 7. In Christ, your head, you then shall know, shall



great Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the
 bids our sor - rows cease; 'tis mu - sic in the
 sets the pris - oner free; his blood can make the
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful, bro - ken
 loos - ened tongues em - ploy; ye blind, be - hold your
 feel your sins for - given; an - tic - i - pate your



God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.
 sin - ner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.
 foul - est clean; his blood a - vailed for me.
 hearts re - jice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 Sav - ior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy.
 heaven be - low, and own that love is heaven.

*May be omitted

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1739

MUSIC: Carl G. Gläser; arr. by Lowell Mason, 1839

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Alt. tune: RICHMOND

Christ for the World We Sing 568

1. Christ for the world we sing, the world to
 2. Christ for the world we sing, the world to
 3. Christ for the world we sing, the world to
 4. Christ for the world we sing, the world to

Christ we bring, with lov - ing zeal; the poor, and
 Christ we bring, with fer - vent prayer; the way - ward
 Christ we bring, with one ac - cord; with us the
 Christ we bring, with joy - ful song; the new - born

them that mourn, the faint and o - ver - borne,
 and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed,
 work to share, with us re - proach to dare,
 souls, whose days, re - claimed from er - ror's ways,

sin - sick and sor - row - worn, whom Christ doth heal.
 re - deemed at count - less cost, from dark de - spair.
 with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.
 in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

WORDS: Samuel Wolcott, 1869
 MUSIC: Felice de Giardini, 1769

ITALIAN HYMN
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577 God of Grace and God of Glory

1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
 2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
 3. Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to
 4. Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient church - 's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! Fears and doubts too long have bound us;
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the search for thy sal - va - tion

bring her bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom,
 free our hearts to work and praise. Grant us wis - dom,
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,

grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
 grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
 grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's
 grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -

hour, (of this hour) for the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, (of these days) for the liv - ing of these days.
 goal, (king-dom's goal) lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 dore, (we a - dore) serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

WORDS: Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930
 MUSIC: John Hughes, 1907

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