

Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church

On a journey with God to Reach, Grow, and Serve

TLPC is a congregation of both the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). We began in 1992 with a vision for a new expression of the ELCA in Truckee and later joined with the PC (U.S.A.) to be the liturgical, eucharistic expression of Christ's church in Truckee, California. We welcome everyone to worship and grow with us as we live in God's amazing grace!

To our visitors and guests: We wish you a warm welcome and invite you to join us for fellowship and refreshments after the service. Please let us know how we may be of service to you.

Sheet music and large print bulletins are available at the entrance.

Supervised childcare for infants is available in the nursery.

Sunday School is offered for children age 3 through grade 8 following the opening liturgy. They will re-join us in worship for communion.

Restroom facilities are limited to those in the locker rooms behind the bleachers during renovation. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Recordings of our worship services are available on request.

Fair trade coffee and chocolate are available at cost following the service.

Coming Up at TLPC

Wednesday

5-6 Bible Study. See Rita and Dave Holtebeck for more info

6:15-7:15 TLPC Book Club, Truckee Book and Bean

Friday

TBA Hiking Group! Contact Rita or Dave for more info,
holtebeck@sbcglobal.net

Sun. 6/27 Donner Lake Fun Day and Potluck. See Molly or Bill Pearson

10:30-? for more info and directions

Pastor

Rev. Edward Hilton

edwardhilton@gmail.com

Worship and Music Planner

Lorelle Banzett

banzett@sbcglobal.net

Pianist, Choir Director

Miriam Hoffmann

miriamlh@sbcglobal.net

P.O. Box 10620, Truckee, CA 96162
(530) 582-4243 info@tlpc.org www.tlpc.org

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 20, 2010

The pastor or worship leader will read the regular print text.

The congregation will read the **bold** text.

Please stand, as you are able, for sections marked with an asterisk *.

PREPARING TO ENCOUNTER GOD IN WORSHIP

*We invite you to sing or listen as we quiet our minds to hear his voice
and open our hearts to feel his presence.*

♪ “Mighty to Save”

♪ “Revelation Song”

WELCOME

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

* GATHERING SONG

♪ “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

* GREETING

Sisters and brothers, called to freedom in Christ:

Grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

And also with you.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God,

we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world.

In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us,

and defend us from everything that is evil,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,

who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have turned from you
and given ourselves into the power of sin.
We are truly sorry and humbly repent.
In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown,
things we have done and things we have failed to do.
Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit,
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace we have been saved.

In the name of + Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen us with power through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in our hearts through faith.

Amen.

*** SHARING THE LORD'S PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:1–16

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing

here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 42-43

As the deer longs for the water-brooks,
so longs my soul for you, O God.

I thirst for God, for the living God;

when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my food day and night,

while all day long they say to me, "Where now is your God?"

I pour out my soul when I think on these things;

**how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,
with shouts of thanksgiving, among those keeping festival.**

Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so disquieted
within me? Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one
who is my help and my God.

My soul is heavy within me;

**therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan, and from
the peak of Mizar among the heights of Hermon.**

One deep calls to another in the roar of your cascades;
all your rapids and floods have gone over me.

**The LORD grants loving kindness in the daytime;
in the night season the LORD's song is with me, a prayer to the
God of my life.**

I will say to the God of my strength, "Why have you rejected me, and why
do I wander in such gloom while the enemy oppresses me?"

**While my bones are being broken, my enemies mock me to my face;
all day long they mock me and say to me, "Where now is your God?"**

Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so disquieted
within me? Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one
who is my help and my God.

**'Give judgment for me, O God, and defend my cause against an
ungodly people; deliver me from the deceitful and the wicked.**

For you are the God of my strength; why have you rejected me,
and why do I wander in such gloom while the enemy oppresses me?

**Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me,
and bring me to your holy hill and to your sanctuary;**

that I may go to the altar of God, to the God of my joy and gladness;
and on the harp I will give thanks to you, O God my God.

**Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so
disquieted within me? Put your trust in God, for I will yet give
thanks to the one who is my help and my God.**

SECOND READING

Galatians 3:23–29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until
faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ
came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we
are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children
of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have
clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek,
there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of
you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are
Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*** PREPARING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS**

♪ **"Awesome God"**

*** GOSPEL READING**

Luke 8:26–39

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee.
As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a
long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the

tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" — for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you. So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON – “Baptism and Freedom” (Galatians 3:23–29)

SONG IN RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD

♪ **“Baptized and Set Free”**

*** PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

GATHERING OF GIFTS

In recognition that all that we have and all that we are come from God, we return a portion of our wealth for the Lord's work here and around the world, we offer our talents that he may use them for his purpose, and we dedicate our lives to serve God and our neighbors.

*** PRESENTATION OF GIFTS, SONG OF THANKS**

♪ **“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

*** PRAYER OF THANKS**

God of mercy and grace,
the eyes of all wait upon you,
and you open your hand in blessing.
Fill us with good things at your table,
that we may come to the help of all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.
Amen.

*** GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, concluding:

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.
Come, Lord Jesus.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.
Amen.

*** LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

We invite all members and visitors to share in Holy Communion, also known as the Lord's Supper, the Sacrament of the Altar, or the Eucharist. We believe that Jesus Christ is present in and with the bread and wine. We receive this sacrament as a remembrance of what God has done for us through the death and resurrection of Jesus.

You may either hold the bread and dip it into the chalice with grape juice (left side) or eat the bread and drink from the common cup with wine (right side). Children who do not receive communion are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Some people wish to receive communion every week, others less often. Please do what is meaningful and comfortable for you. If you prefer to receive communion while seated, please indicate this to an usher.

COMMUNION SONG

♪ “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

♪ “As the Deer”

*** PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

God our creator,
at this table you have satisfied us
with the good things of your grace.
Fix our hearts on your mercy and truth,
that our lives may reflect your love for all creation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

*** SENDING SONG**

♪ “Blessed Be the Name of the Lord”

PREPARING FOR OUR MISSION IN THE WORLD.

We are called to make Christ known by our words and actions - in our church family, in our local community and throughout the world.

*** BENEDICTION**

*** POSTLUDE**

