

# 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.

**Restrooms** are located past the front entrance, down the hall to the right.

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

## Coming Up at TLPC

### Wednesday

5:00-6:00 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. See Rita and Dave Holtebeck for more info.

### Sunday, August 1

10:30-? Fun Day at Donner Lake. Contact the Person's at [personmolly@gmail.com](mailto:personmolly@gmail.com).

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**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; STAND WITH AFRICA**  
**July 25, 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.*

♪ **“Come, O Holy Spirit, Come”** (Nigeria)

♪ **“Mungu Ni Pendo”** (Tanzania)

**WELCOME**

**INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

**\* GATHERING SONG**

♪ **“Amen, We Praise Your Name”** (South Africa)

**\* 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**

Almighty and ever-living God,  
**you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray,  
and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve.  
Pour upon us your abundant mercy.  
Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience,  
and give us those good things that come only through your Son,  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

**\* 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**

Hosea 1:2–10

When the LORD first spoke through Hosea, the LORD said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the LORD." So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

And the LORD said to him, "Name him Jezreel for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel."

She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the LORD said to him, "Name her Lo-ruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the LORD their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen."

When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. Then the LORD said, "Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God."

Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

Psalm 85

You have been gracious to your land, O LORD;  
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

**You have forgiven the iniquity of your people  
and blotted out all their sins.**

You have withdrawn all your fury  
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.

**Restore us then, O God our Savior;  
let your anger depart from us.**

Will you be displeased with us forever?  
Will you prolong your anger from age to age?

**Will you not give us life again,  
that your people may rejoice in you?**

Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,  
and grant us your salvation.

**I will listen to what the LORD God is saying;  
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those  
who turn their hearts to you.**

Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you  
that your glory may dwell in our land.

**Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**

Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

**The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,  
and our land will yield its increase.**

Righteousness shall go before the LORD  
and shall prepare for God a pathway.

## **SECOND READING**

Colossians 2:6–19

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **\* PREPARING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS**

♪ **“We Have Seen the Lord”** (Tanzania)

## **\* GOSPEL READING**

Luke 11:1–13

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON – “How to Pray” (Luke 11:1-13)**

**SONG IN RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD**

♪ **“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”**

**\* MAASAI CREED**

*This creed, composed by Christian missionaries in collaboration with the Maasai tribe of East Africa, attempts to express the essentials of the Christian faith using language and images of the Maasai culture.*

**We believe in the one High God,  
who out of love created the beautiful world  
and everything good in it.  
He created humankind  
and wanted them to be happy in the world.  
God loves the world and every nation and tribe on the earth.  
We have known this High God in the darkness,  
and now we know him in the light.  
God promised in the book of his word, the Bible,  
that he would save the world and all nations and tribes.**

**We believe that God made good his promise  
by sending his son, Jesus Christ,**

a man in the flesh, a Jew by tribe, born poor in a little village,  
who left his home and was always on safari doing good,  
curing people by the power of God,  
teaching about God and man,  
showing that the meaning of religion is love.  
He was rejected by his people,  
tortured and nailed hands and feet to a cross, and died.  
He was buried in the grave, but the hyenas did not touch him,  
and on the third day, he rose from that grave.  
He ascended to the skies. He is the Lord.

We believe that all our sins are forgiven through him.  
All who have faith in him must be sorry for their sins,  
be baptized in the Holy Spirit of God,  
live the rules of love, share the bread together in love,  
and announce the good news to others until Jesus comes again.  
We are waiting for him. He is alive. He lives.  
This we believe.  
Amen.

#### **\* 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**

♪ "We Are An Offering"

#### **\* 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.  
As we transformed our trash into treasure,  
transform our treasure into acts of love,  
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 SONGS**

♪ "Seek Ye First"

♪ "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

### **\* 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**

♪ "Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises" (South Africa)

## **PREPARING FOR OUR MISSION IN THE WORLD.**

### **\* BENEDICTION**

**VISION:**



**Grow :**

- in faith
- in spiritual maturity
- in discipleship

**Reach :**

- out to neighbors

**MISSION:**

**Serve :**

- by helping those in need in our community and the world.
- by advocating for social justice.
- by caring for God’s creation

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