

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.

This Week at TLPC (*See www.tlpc.org for complete calendar of events.*)

Today

11:000-? Donner Lake Fun Day at Persons'.

Wednesday

5:00-6:00 Bible Study at Senior Center. Contact Holtebeck's.

Friday

TBA Hiking Group. Contact Holtebeck's.

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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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.*

♪ **“Where Could I Go?”**

♪ **“Come, Now Is the Time to Worship”**

WELCOME

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

* GATHERING SONG

♪ **“All Are Welcome”** – vs. 1,3,4,5

* 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 God,

you resist those who are proud

and give grace to those who are humble.

Give us the humility of your Son,

that we may embody the generosity of 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

Jeremiah 2:4–13

Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the
house of Israel. Thus says the LORD:

What wrong did your ancestors find in me
that they went far from me,
and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?

They did not say, "Where is the LORD
who brought us up from the land of Egypt,
who led us in the wilderness,
in a land of deserts and pits,
in a land of drought and deep darkness,
in a land that no one passes through,
where no one lives?"

I brought you into a plentiful land
to eat its fruits and its good things.
But when you entered you defiled my land,

and made my heritage an abomination.
The priests did not say, "Where is the LORD?"
Those who handle the law did not know me;
the rulers transgressed against me;
the prophets prophesied by Baal,
and went after things that do not profit.
Therefore once more I accuse you,
says the LORD,
and I accuse your children's children.
Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look,
send to Kedar and examine with care;
see if there has ever been such a thing.
Has a nation changed its gods,
even though they are no gods?
But my people have changed their glory
for something that does not profit.
Be appalled, O heavens, at this,
be shocked, be utterly desolate,
says the LORD,
for my people have committed two evils:
they have forsaken me,
the fountain of living water,
and dug out cisterns for themselves,
cracked cisterns
that can hold no water.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 81:1, 10–16

Sing with joy to God our strength

and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

**"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the
land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.**

Yet my people did not hear my voice,

and Israel would not obey me.

**So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts,
to follow their own devices.**

Oh, that my people would listen to me,

that Israel would walk in my ways!

**I would quickly subdue their enemies
and turn my hand against their foes.**

Those who hate the LORD would cringe in fear,
and their punishment would last forever.

**But I would feed you with the finest wheat
and satisfy you with honey from the rock."**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*** PREPARING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS**

♪ "Thy Word" – vs. 2

*** GOSPEL READING**

Luke 14:1, 7–14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move

up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON - "Life After the Honeymoon" (Jeremiah 2:4-13)

SONG IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

♪ "Jesus Calls Us"

*** PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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**

♪ "Lord of All Good" - vs. 1,3

*** 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 SONGS

♪ "In the Garden"

♪ "Come and Fill Our Hearts"

*** 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**

♪ "Let Us Go Now to the Banquet"

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

*** BENEDICTION**

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