

# 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:** Welcome! Please join us for fellowship and refreshments after the service, and let us know how we may serve you.

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

**Assistive listening devices** may be obtained from the person at the soundboard (rear of worship space).

**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](http://www.tlpc.org) for complete calendar of events.*)

## Wednesday

5:00pm Bible Study. Contact Halvorsen's.

## Thursday

8:00am Ladies Breakfast at Smokey's Kitchen

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## ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

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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 God's voice and open our hearts to feel his presence.*

♪ **“Blessing, Honor and Glory”**

♪ **“Be Still and Know”**

### WELCOME

### INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

#### \* GATHERING SONG

♪ **“For All the Saints”** – vs. 1,2,4,5,7,8

*As we sing, you are invited to place a votive candle on the altar in remembrance of a “saint” who has touched your life.*

#### \* GREETING

Grace and peace from our God and Father,  
hope in our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the consolation of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

#### \* PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God,  
**you have knit your people together in one communion  
in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints  
in lives of faith and commitment,  
and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared  
for those who love you,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.**  
**Amen.**

#### \* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,  
who forgives our sin, heals every illness,  
saves us from death, enfolds us with tender care,  
and crowns us with steadfast love.

**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of abundant mercy,  
**we confess that we are more ready  
to be forgiven than to forgive others.  
We hold too closely your gifts to us.  
We trample your vineyard, our good earth.  
Have mercy, O God;  
turn us again to you and toward others;  
and grant that we may live for you and die in you,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.  
Amen.**

God is generous and faithful, forgiving sins without number,  
welcoming all to the feast, giving us a place among the saints.  
Through the humble obedience of + Christ Jesus,  
who went to the cross for our sake, you are forgiven and made whole.  
The Spirit of God is at work in us, enabling us to live for one another.  
**Amen.**

**\* SHARING THE LORD'S PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*All are invited to share a handshake or a hug as a sign of reconciliation and peace,  
saying "Peace be with you."*

*Children age 3 through grade 8 may go to Sunday School.*

**FIRST READING**

Revelation 7:9–17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"  
And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four  
living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped  
God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white,  
and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that  
knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great  
ordeal ;they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the  
Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat;  
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM**

Psalm 34:1–10, 22

I will bless the LORD at all times;  
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

**I will glory in the LORD;  
let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;  
let us exalt God's name together.

**I sought the LORD, who answered me  
and delivered me from all my terrors.**

Look upon the LORD and be radiant,  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

**I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.**

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD  
and delivers them.

**Taste and see that the LORD is good;  
happy are they who take refuge in God!**

Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,  
for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

**The lions are in want and suffer hunger,  
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**

O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,  
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

**SECOND READING**

1 John 3:1–3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

♪ **“Firm Foundation”** (refrain)

**\* GOSPEL READING**

Matthew 5:1–12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** – “Saints and Sinners – Not the Bocce team” (Matthew 5:1–12)  
*Silence for reflection.*

**SONG IN RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD**

♪ “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

**\* 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**

Merciful God,

**as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills**

**were gathered together to become one bread,**

**so let your church be gathered together**

**from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,**

**for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.**

**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.**

It is indeed right...

And so, with all the saints,

with the choirs of angels and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

♪ **“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord”**

*The pastor continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, concluding:*

Together as the body of Christ,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

With this bread and cup we remember your Son,  
the first-born of your new creation.  
We await his coming when all our sins and sorrows will be no more.  
**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send upon us and this meal your Holy Spirit,  
whose breath revives us for life, whose fire rouses us to love.  
Enfold in your arms all who share this holy food.  
**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Fill us with your blessing,  
until, needy no longer and bound to you in love,  
we feast forever in the triumph of the Lamb:  
through whom all glory and honor is yours, O Living God,  
with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, 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 in remembrance of what God has done for us through the death and resurrection of Jesus. You may either eat the bread and drink from the common cup of wine (first chalice) or hold the bread and dip it in the grape juice (second chalice). Children who do not yet 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**

♪ "Blest Are They"

### **\* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

God our shepherd,  
you have gathered us again from scattered places  
and nourished us with rich food in word and sacrament.  
Go with us now, that we may seek the lost,  
bind up the injured, and strengthen the weak,  
until you gather us and all the saints into your eternal feast  
with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.

### **\* SENDING SONG**

♪ "Shall We Gather"

## **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**