

Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church

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

TLPC is affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). 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.

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.

Large print bulletins and lap quilts are available at the entrance.

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

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.*)

Monday

7:07pm YoungLife Club. Contact Ryan Hunter for details.

Tuesday

6:00pm Council Mtg. at the Lott's

Thursday

8:00am Men's Breakfast with Church of the Mtns at Jax Diner

Friday

AM Hike or Snowshoe. Contact Holtebeck's for details.

7:00pm Wyldlife Club. Contact Ryan Hunter for details.

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**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
CONFIRMATION AND IHP**

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

The congregation will read/sing 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.*

♪ **"Shout to the Lord"**

♪ **"Draw Me Close"**

WELCOME

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

*** GATHERING SONG**

♪ **"O Christ, Your Heart Compassionate"** – vs. 1-3

*** GREETING**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

God, our creator and redeemer,
your Son Jesus prayed that his followers might be one.
**Make all Christians one with him as he is one with you,
so that in peace and concord we may carry to the world
the message of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.**

Amen.

*** CONFIRMATION** - Sonia Breuch, Wulfe Retzlaff

The candidates are presented for confirmation and profess their faith.

All join in the Apostles' Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

The candidates affirm their baptismal covenant, then the pastor addresses the assembly.

People of God, do you promise to support Sonia and Wulfe
and pray for them in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

The pastor blesses each candidate.

** All rise and a representative of the congregation addresses the assembly.*

Let us rejoice with this sister and brother in Christ.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.

**Together we will give thanks and praise to God
and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit
you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.
Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,

the spirit of joy in your presence,
both now and forever.

Amen.

*** ♪ “He Who Began a Good Work in You”**

*** 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 22:12–14

See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*** PREPARING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS**

♪ “Heleluyan”

*** GOSPEL READING**

John 17:20–26

I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON – Dr. Denny and Paula Lofstrom, Rev. Francis Gunda
International Health Partners US-TZ

SONG IN RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD

♪ “Mungu Ni Pendo” - vs. 1,4

*** 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**

♪ “Amen, We Praise Your Name”

*** PRAYER OF THANKS**

Blessed are you, O God,
ruler of heaven and earth.

Day by day you shower us with blessings.

As you have raised us to new life in Christ,

give us glad and generous hearts,

ready to praise you and to respond to those in need,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior 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 life-giving death and glorious resurrection,
we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:
carry us in your arms from death to life,
that we may live as your chosen ones,
clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father,
with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both 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 SONGS

♪ **"There Is None Like You"**

♪ **"Alleluia"** (South African)

*** PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

We give you thanks, O God,
that you make your home with us,
bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal.
Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here,
that we may wipe away tears,
tend to those in mourning and pain,
seek the healing of the nations,
and bring to earth the presence of your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

*** SENDING SONG**

♪ **"Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises"**

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 AND SENDING**

The blessing of the Lord God Almighty,
the blessing of + Christ, the Lamb who was slain,

and the blessing of the Holy Spirit of truth
be among you and remain with you always.

Alleluia! Alleuia!

Thanks be to God!

*** POSTLUDE**

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