

# 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 you to worship and grow with us as we live in God's amazing grace! Please join us for fellowship and refreshments after the service downstairs in the fellowship hall.

**Supervised childcare** for infants is available in the nursery room at the rear of the sanctuary. **Worship Bags** for young children are available at the welcome table in the Narthex, the welcome space at the top of the stairs.

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

**Sheet music, large print bulletins, and assistive listening devices** are available for your use. Please ask an usher for assistance. **Prayer Slips** available at the welcome table may be placed in the offering plate.

**Please consume food and beverages** in the fellowship hall only.

## Today

6:00-8:00pm Youth Collective: Middle & High School Youth Pizza Dinner, Game Night and more at Church of the Mountains. Talk with Pastor Scott or Edie and Denny Lott for more info.

## Wednesday

8:00-9:00am Men's Bible Study at Coffee And.

6:30-8:00pm Bible Study on the book of James at Church of the Mountains.

Contact Pastor Joanie for more info.

## Thursday

8:00-9:00am Men's Breakfast with COM at Jax Diner

## Friday

10:00am Hike with COM. Contact TruckeeHikers@gmail.com.

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## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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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 pray as we quiet our minds to hear God's voice and open our hearts to feel God's presence.*

♪ **How Majestic Is Your Name**

♪ **Speak, O Lord**

### INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Come, let us give thanks to God!

**We gather together to praise the One who strengthens the weak and hears the prayers of the forgotten.**

Come, let us give thanks to Christ!

**We gather together to sing of the One who calls us to serve those who are hungry and alone at this time of year.**

Come, let us give thanks to the Spirit!

**We gather together to exalt the One who provokes us to love not only our family and friends, but the guest among us.**

Let us worship God.

### WELCOME

#### \* GATHERING SONG

♪ **We've a Story to Tell** – vs. 1-3 (Latin rhythm)

#### \* CONFESSION

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

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,  
and the truth is not in us.

In humility and faith, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of Justice and Mercy,

**we come to You confessing that we have failed  
to show justice and mercy to others.**

We have failed to forgive; we have failed to be compassionate.  
We have at time put our feelings about the real needs of others.  
We have let our pride get in the way of helping those  
that we feel do not deserve it.  
We have judged others unfairly and harshly.  
Forgive us of our sins, and may we forgive others who do the same.  
Give us hearts that break open for the world,  
that show compassion and mercy,  
that seek justice and reconciliation.  
In the name of Christ, we pray for the courage to do these things. Amen.

**\* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

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

Christ is our peace. The peace of Christ be with you all.  
**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." We do so in the name of Jesus, who offered peace to his disciples when  
they were gathered in fear [John 20] and who extended his life to the point of death to make peace  
with humankind.*

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

**FIRST READING**

Psalm 16 Protect me, O God,

for I take refuge in you;

I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,  
upon those who are noble among the people.**

But those who run after other gods  
shall have their troubles multiplied.

**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,  
never take their names upon my lips.**

O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;  
it is you who uphold my lot.

**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me night after night.

**I have set the LORD always before me;  
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;  
my body also shall rest in hope.

**For you will not abandon me to the grave,  
nor let your holy one see the pit.**

You will show me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

## **SECOND READING**

Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

♪ **Firm Foundation** (ref. only)

## **\*GOSPEL READING**

Mark 13:1-8

As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars

and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** – “When times are uncertain. . .”

*Spiritual reflection*

**SONG IN RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD**

♪ **Jesus, Please Watch Over Us**

**\* GATHERING OF GIFTS**

*Our finest offering is our attention, moment by moment and day by day, to God’s purposes for our world. We join our constant efforts to be faithful with these weekly moments of giving that celebrate the love with which God surrounds us. We are God’s children, committed to caring for all of God’s creation.*

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

♪ **Everything I Am**

**\* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*When a worshiper concludes a petition with “Lord, in your mercy.”*

*Let all respond, “Hear our prayer.”*

**\* INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

**\*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.**

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*The pastor continues with the Eucharistic prayer concluding with . . .*

O God, by your Holy Spirit,  
bless these gifts of bread and wine;

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and bless all who seek your loving presence  
at this table.

**Teach us to walk in your ways of justice and mercy  
so that we may share in your redeeming  
and restoring work in the world.**

**Unto you, Lord Jesus, be all praise,  
with joy and thanksgiving, now and forever.  
Amen.**

*The pastor continues with the Eucharistic prayer, which ends with the Lord's Prayer.*

### **\*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 to share in Holy Communion, also known as the Lord's Supper or the Eucharist. We believe that Jesus Christ is present in and with the elements. 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). Gluten-free wafers are available; just give Pastor the "OK" sign as you come forward to receive the bread.*

*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, indicate this to an usher.*

### **COMMUNION SONGS**

**♪ My Faith Look Up to Thee**

**♪ We Adore You, Lord Jesus Christ**

**\* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

O God,  
you have called your servants  
to ventures where we cannot see the ending,  
by paths which we have not yet walked,  
through perils we do not yet know.  
Give us faith to go out with good courage,  
not knowing where we go,  
but only that your hand is leading us  
and your love supporting us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**\* SENDING SONG**

♪ **Forever God Is Faithful**

**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**

**\* SENDING**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**\* POSTLUDE**

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**TLPC Worship and Community Notes:**

**Prayers of the People:** We have recently made a shift in how we offer the Prayers of the People. The Pastor will conclude the Song of Thanks with a prayer, thanking God for both the monetary gifts and the written prayer requests. Instead of praying a series of individual petitions on various topics, the Assisting Minister will invite everyone to pray for the church, the community, the world and all those in need, including any personal petitions. We will then have one open time of prayer for all these topics. Those who have written a prayer request may choose to pray that request aloud during this time as well. At the end of each prayer – whether praise or petition – the person will say, “Lord, in your mercy,” and the congregation’s response will be “Hear our prayer.” The Pastor will then offer a concluding prayer.