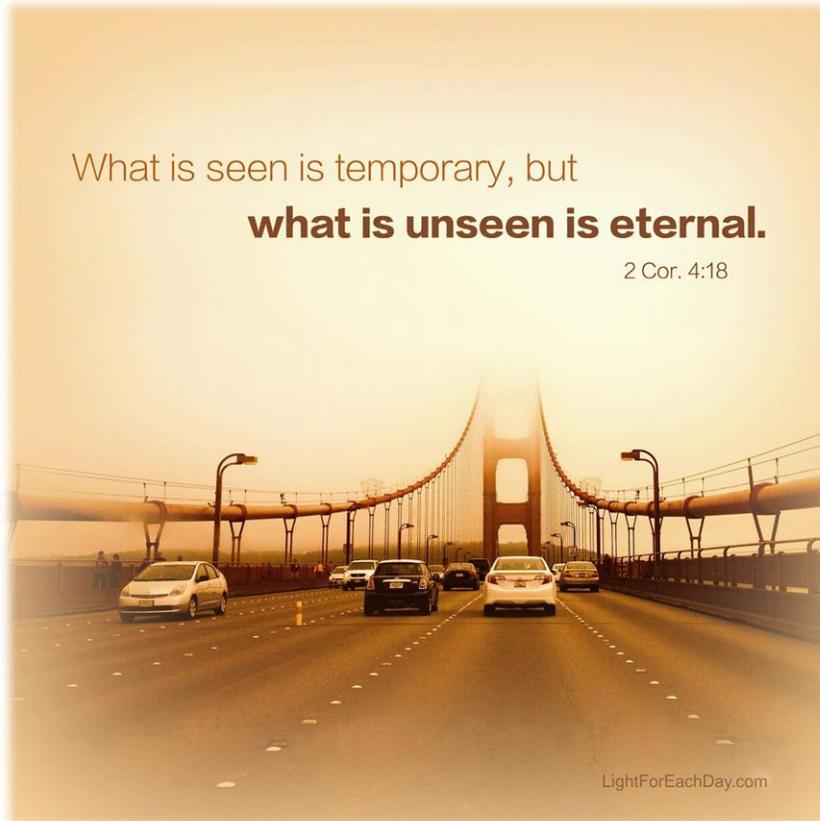


What is seen is temporary, but
what is unseen is eternal.

2 Cor. 4:18



June 10, 2018

LAKE OCONEE LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Our vision is to be an expanding community of faith, growing in the Holy Spirit,
and practicing before the world a Christ-centered life.

Missionaries:	All the people of God
Music Director:	Art Hargrove
Instrumentalist:	Bradley Sowell & Charlie Helms
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Aids for hearing, children's activity bulletins, and large print bulletins are
available from the ushers



WE OFFER NURSERY & CHILDCARE

*If you need childcare, please see one of the ushers
and we will happily accommodate you.*

Ushers: Kathy Stallings & Roger Martinson

Greeters: Rosalyn & Jack Carson

Altar Care: Kathy Stallings & Lynda Bridwell

The Kueven family wishes to invite you for coffee after the worship service

Pre-Service Music: This is time to turn our hearts & minds toward God in preparation of worship.

Choir Prelude: As The Deer

Welcome: Birthdays, Anniversaries, Welcome guests.

Please Stand

The Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

(You are invited to wish those around you God's peace. Please remain standing for the invocation.)

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

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

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

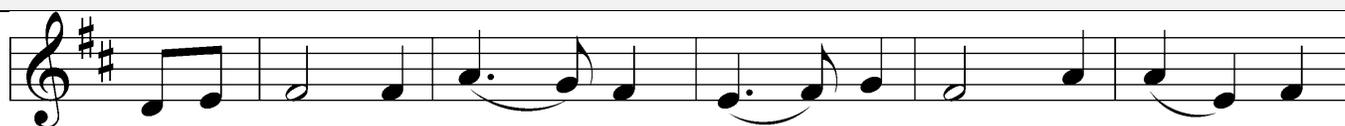
P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His

sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Congregational Hymn (To sing harmony, turn to # 570 in the Lutheran Service Book)

Just as I Am, without One Plea



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy
2 Just as I am and wait - ing not To rid my
3 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With man - y a
4 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; Sight, rich - es,



blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to
soul of one dark blot, To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each
con - flict, man - y a doubt, Fight - ings and fears with - in, with -
heal - ing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to



Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray

Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who

lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: We pray for God's blessing as we Call a new pastor.

C: Almighty God, giver of every good gift, look graciously on this Your Church in our time of transition. Give guidance from the Holy Spirit to all involved in the Call process. Our prayer is that, in Your good time and according to Your good plans, we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for Your people and equip us for witness and service to the world around us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

You may be seated

First Lesson - Genesis 3:8-15

Reader: Peggy Uehlin

Psalm 130

P: ¹Out of the depths

C: I cry to you, O LORD!

P: ²O Lord, hear my voice!

C: Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

P: ³If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,

C: O Lord, who could stand?

P: ⁴But with you there is forgiveness,

C: that you may be feared.

P: ⁵I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,

C: and in his word I hope;

P: ⁶my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning,

C: more than watchmen for the morning.

P: ⁷O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love,

C: and with him is plentiful redemption.

P: ⁸And he will redeem Israel

C: from all his iniquities.

Please Stand

Common Alleluia and Verse

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁰ Then he went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹ And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, “He is out of his mind.”

²² And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, “He is possessed by Beelzebul,” and “by the prince of demons he casts out the demons.” ²³ And he called them to him and said to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶ And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. ²⁷ But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.

²⁸ “Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” — ³⁰ for they were saying, “He has an unclean spirit.”

³¹ And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. ³² And a crowd was sitting around him,

and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you."³³ And he answered them, "Who are my mother and my brothers?"³⁴ And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers!"³⁵ For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon As promised: "Godsnowhere" What phrase do you see?

based on 2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5:1

Pastor Larry Townsend

Congregational Hymn (To sing harmony, turn to # 878 in the Lutheran Service Book)

Abide with Me



1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
 2 I need Thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
 3 Come not in ter - rors, as the King of kings,
 4 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
 What but Thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
 But kind and good, with heal - ing in Thy wings;
 Earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 Who like Thy - self my guide and stay can be?
 Tears for all woes, a heart for ev - 'ry plea.
 Change and de - cay in all a - round I see;



Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me.
 Come, Friend of sin - ners, thus a - bide with me.
 O Thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.

Please Stand

Apostles' Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

Offering

Instrumental Anthem:

Bradley Sowell & Charlie Helms

Please stand as the offering is brought to the altar.

Create in Me

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

The first system of musical notation for 'Create in Me' consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature. The melody starts on a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B-flat4, and C5. The bass staff begins with a bass clef and the same key signature and time signature. The accompaniment starts with a half note G3, followed by quarter notes A3, B-flat3, and C4. The lyrics 'Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -' are written below the treble staff.

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -

The second system of musical notation continues the piece. The treble staff has a treble clef, two flats, and common time. The melody continues with quarter notes D5, E5, F5, and G5. The bass staff has a bass clef, two flats, and common time. The accompaniment continues with quarter notes G4, A4, B-flat4, and C5. The lyrics 'new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -' are written below the treble staff.

way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it

from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-

tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P: With the Lord there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption, so let us pray to the God who sent His Son to bind Satan and plunder his house to save us.

Brief silence

P: For all the baptized, that the Holy Spirit would free us from the fear that would have us hide from God and blame others when called to account. Give us grace to confess our iniquity, ask for God's mercy and trust His plentiful redemption, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For thankful lives, that the Holy Spirit would fill our hearts with gratitude and our mouths with praise that our heavenly Father has kept His promise to send the woman's seed to crush Satan's head and because our Savior allowed His heel to be bruised on His cross, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who cry out of the depths for comfort, healing or relief, that our heavenly Father would hear their voice and care for [_____ and for] all who are in need, giving them relief in whatever way He knows to be best, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who blaspheme and live without the comfort of faith in Christ, that they would turn from their rebellion; that God's grace would extend to more and more people; that the Holy Spirit would give each of us zeal to proclaim His promises; and that missionaries and their families would be kept under God's protecting care, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For all who suffer for confessing Christ, that they would not lose heart but rejoice that though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day; and that our earthly afflictions are preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For all marriages, that husbands and wives would be preserved in chastity and freely share the forgiveness that is ours in Christ with one another, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who struggle because of mental illness, that our Father would care for their needs, provide relief and give them — and all of us — grace to hope for the restoration that He promises to all His children at the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those preparing to work in God's kingdom, that our heavenly Father would nurture the faith of every future pastor, teacher, deaconess and church worker; that He would equip them with everything they will need to serve in Christ's Church; and that the Lord of the harvest would continue to raise up workers for His harvest fields, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who have fallen asleep in the saving faith, let us give God our thanks and praise, asking Him to bring us with them to the joy of the feast that has no end, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Announcements

Please Stand

Benediction

P: Almighty God, Father, Son ✠, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.
Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



Refrain

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;



All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

The Dismissal

P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Please remain for the Voter's meeting to call a new pastor.

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Post-service Music

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THANK YOU TO PASTOR LARRY TOWNSEND for leading us in worship today.

GOD'S BLESSINGS to all those celebrating birthdays this week:

- Monday, June 11th – Ed Fritch
- Tuesday, June 12th – Rosalyn Carson
- Wednesday, June 13th – Dave Heimer

Anniversaries:

- Monday, June 11th – Jim & Kathie Kueven
- Tuesday, June 12th – Tom & Connie Saner
- Wednesday, June 13th – Steve & Tonda Wiker
- Thursday, June 14th – Ed & Lillian Blosser

Best wishes!



Altar Flowers

are given in celebration of the Kueven's anniversary

LET US PRAY FOR THE FAMILY OF THE WEEK: Jean Steinberg



Altar Servers

****CALL FOR ALTAR CARE & USHERS: we really need your help with ushering and Altar care for July & August.** A signup sheet is on the round table.

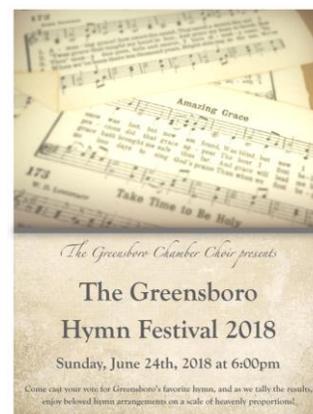
PASTORAL CARE: If you are in need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Ron Schornhorst at 706-484-9855.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Thursday	Greensboro Cantata Choir rehearsal	6:00 p.m.
Saturday	Greensboro Cantata Choir rehearsal	10:00 a.m.
	Episcopal Church Bible Study	3:30 p.m.
	Episcopal Church Worship Service	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Adult Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
	Elder's Meeting	after worship

GREENSBORO CHAMBER CHOIR SUNDAY JUNE 24 @ 5PM

Their upcoming cantata focuses on hymns! Don't miss this festival on Sunday, June 24th at 5:00pm in our sanctuary. Admission is free and all are welcome.



LADIES' PIZZA PARTY MONDAY, JUNE 25TH @ 5:30PM

All LOLC women are invited to enjoy fellowship & a night out on **Monday, June 25th @ 5:30PM** at the church. RVSP to Kathie Kueven, Laura Shipman or to Deb in the church office. Just bring yourselves!



Prayer Requests

Those we keep in our prayers:

Sue Amick	Cindy Fritch
Barbara Crawford	Nadine Haydon
Carol Dunn	Cathy Hayes
Martha Glenn	Darvin Jackson
Donna Hansen	Sherry Jones
Patsy Mahs	Donald Mulford
Lance Pailer	Ricky Newsom
Lou Pailer	Marianne & Rev. Louis Pearce
Leo Sauer	Carol Pope
Mary Tober	Price family
Peggy & Tom Uehlin	Phil Riley
John Zawislak	Jean Smith
Sandra Barr	Laura Taylor
Rafael Caballero	Larry Wells
Francis Cooper	Alexis Ward
Wanda Davis	Ellen Warren

Those families who are grieving:

- The Mahs family
- The Fuller family
- The Hansen family
- The Chambers family
- The Petrea family
- The Dunn family
- The Uehlin family

OUR VALUES AS A CONGREGATION

Word and Sacrament –

...believing in and making faithful and frequent use of the Bible, Baptism, and the Lord's Supper as the means by which God gives and sustains faith and empowers and strengthens us for Christian living.

Christian Education –

...providing quality, Bible based instruction to foster greater understanding of God's Word and to better equip members for their discipleship.

Evangelism –

...reaching out to others by word and deed to join in the sharing of God's blessings and grace, which is free to all believers.

Stewardship –

...utilizing fully our time, talents, and resources to serve and love the Lord, furthering our commission of discipleship.

Fellowship –

...caring for and sharing with our church family; fostering greater love, understanding, and concern for the physical and spiritual well-being of all brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ.

The window behind the altar is our EASTER SUNRISE WINDOW.

The cross hanging in front of the window is an empty cross, reminding us that Jesus rose from the dead and is alive now to be with us here and always. Every Sunday is a celebration of Easter. The symbol on the front of the ALTAR is a combination of two Greek letters: the "chi," which looks like our English "x," and the "rho," which looks like our "p." In the Greek, these letters are the first two of "Christ." Combined as they are, they suggest the cross. Superimposed on the cross is a heart, the reminder that God's love for us is the reason Jesus died on the cross. God's love for us empowers us to share his love with others.