

WELCOME to worship at Level Creek UMC!

We are glad you are here. Restrooms are located out the doors to the right of the front altar.

Devices for the hearing impaired can be requested from any usher. Worship activity bags are available for children who stay in worship and a loving nursery is always provided. Children's Sunday School is offered during the 11:00 am worship hour.

Fall Festival on Sunday, October 25 at 4:00 pm. All ages are invited for trunk-or-treating, games, bounce houses and our famous Chili Cook-off and Dessert competition!

- **Decorate your trunk!** Our goal is to fill the parking lot with trunks for kids to visit. Mark your connection card or email Crystal (CrystalBarnes@lcumc.net).
- **Donate Candy.** Candy (individually wrapped only) can be left in the labeled bin in the OFLC.
- **Bring a crock-pot of chili, a side or a dessert.** Mark your connection card.

Blood Drive next Sunday, October 18 from 8:30 am – 1:00 pm. LifeSouth is bringing their Bloodmobile to our LCUMC parking lot and we want to fill all of the available donation spots! Register for your donation time at www.lcumc.net.

How Christians Learned to Say What They Believed. Join the Rev. Tom Petty for a 4-week class on the historical Creeds of the Christian Church. We recite the Apostles' Creed in worship each week, but there are other Creeds and much to learn about how each one developed. Class will meet on Tuesdays at 10:00 am beginning October 20. Mark your connection card to RSVP.

Christmas Choir. Perhaps you can't sing with the choir on a regular basis, but you can join in singing for the Christmas Season. The Christmas Cantata is Sunday, December 13th for both worship services. The Christmas Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Come join the fun! (tracieginsberg@lcumc.net)

Honduras Mission Trip Information Meeting on Tues., Oct. 27 at 7 pm. Our next trip to Orphanage Emmanuel will be June 25-July 1, 2027. Cost is \$1000 to cover airfare. Youth 6th grade & up can participate with a parent. Mark your Connection Card to RSVP. Questions? Ask Rev. Elaine.

Learn more about Level Creek UMC. Are you new to the church? Have you been visiting for a while? Join Rev. Elaine at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 1 in the Fireside Room to learn more about our church, our values and how you can get connected. Childcare available upon request. RSVP on your connection card.

Children's Choir will not rehearse today due to Fall Break. We will rehearse as normal on Sunday, October 18 at 5 pm.

Student Ministry will NOT meet tonight due to Fall Break. But mark your calendar for our Youth Halloween Party, next Sunday, October 18, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Wear your costume, bring an appetizer to share, and we'll have a great time.

Text to Donate. To make a financial gift to Level Creek UMC, text any dollar amount to 770-637-8941. You will receive a link to enter your card information.

Prayer is important to us. You are invited to write your prayer requests on the Connect Card you received with your bulletin. Place your card in the wooden offering boxes by the front door as you leave the Sanctuary.

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Beyond these Walls

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Rev. Elaine Wilder, Pastor
Crystal Barnes, Family Ministries

Tracie Ginsberg, Music Ministry
Beth Ann Wise, Musician
Hyun Jo, Musician

Kimberly Allard, Office Administrator
Paul Ellis, Finance Administrator

Order of Worship
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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Michael Martin

Entrance of the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship

Jesus calls us to follow him – not just into this sanctuary, but beyond these walls.
We come ready to follow where Jesus leads.
Jesus ate with people others avoided and welcomed those others judged.
Open our hearts to see the people we might otherwise overlook.
God’s love is wider than our circles and God’s grace reaches farther than our comfort.
Send us beyond these walls to love, welcome and serve.
Come, let us worship the God who calls every one of us.
We are ready to follow. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling " UMH 384 (vs 1, 2, 3)

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles’ Creed

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, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

*Gloria Patri “Glory Be to the Father” UMH 70
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Special Music "My Heart Your Home" Chancel Choir

*Please stand if you are able

Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer Rev. Michael Martin

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. Amen.

Offering

*Hymn "Open My Eyes, That I May See" UMH 454 (vs 1, 3)

Scripture Luke 5: 27-32

After this, Jesus went out and saw a tax collector by the name of Levi sitting at his tax booth. “Follow me,” Jesus said to him, 28 and Levi got up, left everything and followed him. Then Levi held a great banquet for Jesus at his house, and a large crowd of tax collectors and others were eating with them. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law who belonged to their sect complained to his disciples, “Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?” Jesus answered them, “It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.”

Sermon Beyond These Walls Rev. Michael Martin

*Closing Hymn "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve" TFWS 2241 (1, 2, 3, 4)

*Benediction Rev. Michael Martin

*Recessional “May the Road Rise to Meet You”

May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind blow at your back.
May the sun shine warmly on your face.
May the rain fall softly on your fields.
And until we meet again, until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.

*Postlude

Join us for Coffee + Connection at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center.