

**Home from Hospital:** Dot Gallagher

**Hospital:** Sue Rector, Jim Bradley

**Please pray for church members, their friends and families**

Church Family

Brianna O'Rouke	Bill Donnell	John Koslowitz	Jeri Grant
Henry Henderson	Sue Rector	Dot Gallagher	Beth Ann & Mike Wise
Sheila Fraser-Derfler	Janis Urban	Greg Sponge	Abby Ginsberg

**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. 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.

**Be our guest at our Spring Tea** TODAY at 3:00 pm in the Family Life Center. All ages are invited to join in an afternoon of tea, treats, and time together.

**Miles for Mission 5K Run/Walk** this Saturday, April 27 at 9:00 am. All proceeds benefit United Methodist Women's Missions. The running/walking loop begins and ends at the church and all abilities are welcome. Cost is \$30/person and includes an event t-shirt. Register and get more info at [www.lcumc.net](http://www.lcumc.net).

**Learn more about Level Creek UMC.** Are you new to the church? Have you been visiting for a while? Join Rev. Elaine on Sunday, April 28 at 12:00 pm in the Fireside Room to learn more about our church, our values and how you can get connected. Mark your connection card if you plan to attend.

**Join us for our Spring Church Picnic** on Saturday, May 18th at 12:00 pm at Settles Bridge Park in Suwanee. We'll gather under the covered pavilion and there's a fantastic playground for the kids to play on. Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and Drinks are provided by our United Methodist Men and Women. You are invited to bring a side item or dessert to share. Mark your connection card to register or visit [www.lcumc.net](http://www.lcumc.net).

**Graduation Sunday** will be May 19. We will recognize High School and College Graduates. If you have a graduate in your family, please email [KimberlyAllard@lcumc.net](mailto:KimberlyAllard@lcumc.net) so we can celebrate your student!

**Student Ministry** will meet tonight from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. 6-12 graders are invited for dinner and activities in the Family Life Center.

**Electronic Giving During Worship.** 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.

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# Order of Worship

Level Creek UMC | April 21, 2024

**Prelude** Beth Ann Wise

**Welcome and Announcements** Rev. Elaine Wilder

**Entrance of the Light of Christ** Acolyte

## \*Call to Worship

God, you call each of us to serve you, and we answer,

**“Here I am!”**

Jesus, you call each of us to follow you, and we answer,

**“Here I am!”**

Holy Spirit, you call each of us to worship you, and we answer,

**“Here I am!”**

As we worship today, God, we long to hear your voice of guidance and encouragement.

**Speak, Lord, for we are your servants and we are listening. Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Praise** “Come, Christians Join to Sing” UMH 158

**\*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** “Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone” Chancel Choir

\*Please stand if you are able

## Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Elaine Wilder

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

## Scripture

1 Samuel 3: 1-10

*Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.*

*At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ and he said, ‘Here I am!’ and ran to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ But he said, ‘I did not call; lie down again.’ So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, ‘Samuel!’ Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ But he said, ‘I did not call, my son; lie down again.’ Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, ‘Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.’ So Samuel went and lay down in his place.*

*Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ And Samuel said, ‘Speak, for your servant is listening.’*

**\*Hymn** “Open My Eyes, That I May See” UMH 454

**Sermon** “God Still Speaks” Rev. Elaine Wilder

**\*Response to the Word** “Spirit of God” TFWs 2117 (vs 1, 2, 5)

**\*Benediction** Rev. Elaine Wilder

**\*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.*