

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.

Home from the Hospital: Bob Armstrong

First Sunday Donation Drive. We continue collecting items for the North Gwinnett Co-Op. The barrel is outside the OFLC. Current most needed item is baby wipes.

Fall Fellowship Luncheon is next Sunday, September 13. We will gather for a potluck lunch in the OFLC following the 11:00 worship service. Bring your favorite dish and catch up with your church family over lunch.

The United Methodist Men and Women will meet this Saturday, September 12 at 9:30 a.m. in the OFLC for breakfast and their monthly meetings. All are welcome! This is a wonderful way to connect and get involved.

Mom's Bible Study is beginning a new session on September 13. The group will be studying the book of Hebrews and meets on Sunday evenings from 6:00 – 8:00 pm in the Fireside Room. Friendship, faith, and learning are the goals for this group led by Amy Maxwell. Mark your Connect Card to register.

Children's Choir begins Sunday, September 13 from 5:00 – 6:00 pm. Children in Kindergarten and up are invited to participate in our annual Christmas Musical. This year's show, "No Vacancy," is a humorous and meaningful retelling of the Nativity story. Mark your Connect Card to register.

Road Clean-Up. It's time to pick-up litter on our adopted portion of Suwanee Dam Road. This service project is great for all ages. Meet at the church on Saturday, October 3 at 9:00 am and bring a pair of gloves. Let's help keep Suwanee beautiful! Mark your Connect Card to RSVP.

Student Ministry will not meet tonight due to the holiday weekend. We will return to normal schedule next Sunday, September 13, at 6:00 pm.

Kid-Free Dinner Club will meet on Friday, September 18 from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. Parents will enjoy dinner at the home of Elaine and Paul Wilder. Childcare is provided for children in 5th grade and younger. This isn't just for families with young children; if your children are older, we simply assume they don't need childcare! Mark your Connect Card to RSVP.

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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Hyun Jo, Musician

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Order of Worship

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Elaine Wilder

Entrance of the Light of Christ

Acolyte

***Call to Worship**
Come, Holy Spirit, and grow something new within us.
Open our hearts to the fruit only you can bring.
Where there is division, grow love.
Where there is sorrow, grow joy.
Where there is anxiety, grow peace.
Shape our lives by your Spirit.
Come, let us worship the God who gives the growth.
Come, Holy Spirit, and bear fruit in us. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise

“Love Divine, All Love's Excelling”

UMH 384 (vs 1, 2, 4)

*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
Adam Caldwell, soloist

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Elaine Wilder

*Please stand if you are able

Offering

Scripture

Galatians 5: 16, 22-25

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

John 15: 9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.
“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Sermon

Growing a Spirit Filled Life:
Love, Joy, Peace

Rev. Elaine Wilder

Holy Communion

UMH 12

The Lord's Prayer
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.

*Closing Hymn

“Spirit of God”

TFWS 2117 (1, 2, 4)

*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.