# Bumper Sticker Theology Deep Meaning or Empty Cliches?

# Jesus Loves You, But I'm His Favorite! May 18, 2025

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# **JESUS** Is my co-pilot

# Welcome



## Ways to Connect

# **Online:**

Visit tlumc.org and click I'M NEW

### In Person:

Connection Cards are located in the pocket on the back of the Sanctuary chairs and at the Welcome Desk in the Great Room.

**Questions & Help:** Contact Cary Diaz (tlumc@tlumc.org)

**Nursery is available for both worship services.** It is located by the second hallway, directly across from the kitchen. Nursery care is provided for children 3 weeks through 4 years of age. Please stop in, meet the nursery staff and pick up a pamphlet.

Sunday School Classes are available at 9:30AM September through May for all ages. The children's classes (Kindergarten trhough 6th grade) are located in the Faith Forest down the first hallway to the right as you enter the building. Adult classes are available on the upper level in the double classrooms. Youth classes are available (7th through 12th grade)on the lower level.

**Holy Communion at Tri-Lakes UMC:** We offer Holy Communion weekly at each service, believing as Methodists that it is a "means of grace" for all who receive. If you have questions about our theology or practice of Holy Communion, do not hesitate to ask the Pastor before or after the service.

#### **Communion Instructions:**

- •Please proceed to the altar rails when you are led to do so. Simply fill in any open space at the rail.
- •You may choose to kneel at the rail or remain standing. Hold out your open hands to receive the communion bread. Gluten-free bread is available, simply tell the server. Another server will then place the communion cup on the altar rail. You may partake of the elements as they are served.
- •Feel free to remain at the altar for a brief time of prayer after you have communed, keeping in mind that others will be coming behind you.
- •There are baskets provided at the altar rails for you to dispose of your used communion cup.
- •If you desire to have communion served to you in your seat for any reason, please raise your hand and let the servers know.

# **Order of Worship**

#### Order of Worship 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship May 18th 2025

**Gathering Music** 

**Call to Worship** 

\*Song Set

Welcome/Announcements

**New Testament Reading** 

Pastor Jim Ward

Galatians 3:23-29

Sermon Bumper Sticker Theology: Jesus Loves You, But I'm His Favorite!

Pastor Jim Ward

\*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed – Ecumenical Version

882 UMH

On Screen

Prayers of the People Lifting Up Our Joys and Concerns Silent Prayer/Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

#### Invitation to the Table

#### Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Loving and merciful God, we thank You for the love You have shown us, and for the life you have given us. Yet, we confess that we fail to love as You love. We push aside those whom we believe are the least in your Kingdom. We fail to see your Kingdom in our world because we fail to see your Kingdom in each other. Form in us a new vision of a world where there is neither East nor West, neither South nor North. Guide our hearts to live as Christ lives, and to love as Christ loves. Amen.

Silent Confession of Personal Sin

#### Words of Assurance

Despite our resistance, we can be assured that God's strong arm redeems His children. God calls us back to his kingdom and encourages us with a love we can never lose no matter how hard we push back, no matter how often we forget, no matter how far we stray. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, we are redeemed – thanks be to God. Amen.

#### **Passing the Peace**

Presenting our Tithes and Reflections on Giving/ C Offertory Response		On Screen
**Great Thanksgiving and Holy Communion		15 UMH
*Closing Song		
Dismissal		Pastor Jim Ward

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#### Order of Worship 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship May 18th, 2025

Prelude

Susan Fraser

#### Welcome

#### \*Call to Worship

Leader: Come bless the Lord in whom we find our shelter;

#### People: You are our God, and all good things come from You.

Leader: Come bless the Lord who gives us a rich inheritance;

#### People: You are our God – our lives are in your hands.

Leader: Come bless the Lord, who guides us on the path of eternal life;

#### People: You are our God, and we will not be shaken.

Leader: Come bless the Lord, who is worthy of our praise;

**ALL: We offer our praise and thanksgiving to God. Amen.** *-- From Psalm 16* 

\*Opening Song Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine 369 UMH

#### \*Opening Prayer

Almighty God, we praise and thank You for making us your beloved children, not through our own power or worthiness but through our baptism into our crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ. As we turn to You, may we find peace, courage and purpose. Make your whole church a witness to the great good news of Christ's resurrection and your abiding love. In the name of the Risen Lord we pray, Amen.

Choir Anther	n		ILUMC Choir
New Testame	ent Readi	ng	Galatians 3:23-29
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**Great Thanksgiving and Holy Communion 15 UMH		
*Closing Hymn	In Christ There Is No East or West	548 UMH
Sending Forth		Pastor Jim Ward
Postlude		Susan Fraser

# **Sermon Notes**

# **Daily Lectionary Readings**

Monday, May 19, 2025 Psalm 133; 1 Samuel 20:1-23, 35-42; Acts 11:19-26 Tuesday, May 20, 2025 Psalm 133; 2 Samuel 1:4-27; Acts 11:27-30 Wednesday, May 21, 2025 Psalm 133; Leviticus 19:9-18; Luke 10:25-28 Thursday, May 22, 2025 Psalm 67; Proverbs 2:1-5; Acts 15:36-41 Friday, May 23, 2025 Psalm 67; Proverbs 2:6-8; Acts 16:1-8 Saturday, May 24, 2025 Psalm 67; Proverbs 2:9-15; Luke 19:1-10 Readings for Next Sunday May 25, 2025 Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67 Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9



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Celebrating 40 Vears

# **TRUE NORTH VBS** Registration Now Open!

Monday July 14 through Friday July 18 9:00AM - 12:00PM Children entering Pre-K through 6th grade

**Registration link:** vbspro.events/p/096bdc

**Questions?** Contact Nancy Fritzsche (nancy@tlumc.org)

# **Food Collection for Tri-Lakes Cares**

Help reach out to our neighbors with the love of Christ by providing food for our neighbors! bring your staple and canned food donations weekly, and drop them off in the wagon located in the Great Room.

This month they are especially requesting: Canned Peas Canned Mixed Veggies Canned Corn Oats Oatmeal Canned Chicken Canned Tuna Pinto Beans Refried Beans Flour and Sundry Items (such as cleaners, paper products, and toiletries)

**Questions:** Contact: Pastor Jim (pastorjim@tlumc.org)

# WE ARE HIRING

# Now Hiring Nursery Staff

Tri-Lakes United Methodist Church is seeking nursery staff to care for the youngest members of our church family.

For full details, please review the job description at http://tlumc.org/jobs

To apply, send your resume and a letter/statement of intent to sprc@tlumc.org.

Applications will be accepted until at least April 2, 2025, or until the position is filled.

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Questions? Contact Paula Homberger (pauladine@hotmail.com)



#### Nursery Volunteers Needed!

In addition to hiring nursery personnel, we will be supplementing with nursery volunteers.

If you are willing to work one Sunday/month in the nursery, at either the 9:30 or 11:00 services please sign up in the Great Room or contact nancy@tlumc.org.

> All volunteers will need to be background checked.

Questions? Contact Nancy Fritzsche(nancy@tlumc.org)

# THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

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#### Early Bird Adult Bible Study

The Gospel According to John

Join us for the 8:00 a.m. EarlyBird Bible Study as we undertake an in-depth look at the Gospel of John. Lively discussion and a deep dive into the Gospel with a unique point of view!

Upper Level Asbury Hall Room 103 (Second Hallway last room on the left) 8:00am - 9:00am



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Questions: Contact Pastor Jim (pastorjim@tlumc.org)

# Women's Book Club

Please join us every first Tuesday at 7pm lower level fireside room

June 3 The Women by Kristin Hannah

July 8 The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry by John Mark Comer August 5 From Sand and Ash by Amy Harmon

September 2 The 7 1/2 Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle by Stuart Turon

In case of extreme weather the date will shift to the following week. Send Sarah Frazier your phone number and email to be added to the communication list. Attend anytime!



John Mark

Foreword

John Ortberg

> **Questions:** Contact Sarah Frazier (Srfrazier618@gmail.com)



# Ways to Give

#### **Online:**

1. Use the Tri-Lakes UMC app

2. Or visit tlumc.org and click GIVE ONLINE

#### In Person:

Place your offering in the baskets during Tithes and Offerings or in the offering box located in the Sanctuary next to the center doors.

Mail:

20256 Hunting Downs Way Monument, CO 80132

**Questions & Help:** Giving can also be handled directly through your bank Contact Christy Kayser-Cook (finsec@tlumc.org) for help



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**Tuesday (5/20)** 

Sunday (5/25)

Mark Your

8:00AM Early Bird Bible Study 9:30AM Sunday School 9:30AM Contemporary Service 11:00AM Traditional Service 4:00PM Youth Group

9:30AM GriefShare

1:00PM Staff Meeting

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In Service Today

Flowers TLUMC Art Committee

9:30 AM Service Anna Walsh

11:00AM Service Jen Rowland

> Fellowship Kennv **McPherson**

If you would like to serve during our worship services please contact Cary at tlumc@tlumc.org

# **Church Staff**



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Guest Wi-Fi Password: TLUMCGuest



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# VISION

Theologically Traditional Personally Transformational and Outwardly Missional



# STRATEGY

Loving God and neighbor through acts of Worship, Devotion, Service and Compassion



Building followers of Jesus Christ who love and serve God

and neighbor

MISSION