



Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church

**All Saints' Day, Year B
1 November 2015 at 10:45**

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Prelude

Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, welcome home, children of God. The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

Choral Introit

Entrance Antiphon

In the beginning, before time, before people, before the world began,

God was.

Here and now, among us, beside us, enlisting the people of earth for the purposes of heaven,

God is.

In the future, when we have turned to dust, and all we know has found its fulfillment,

God will be.

Not denying the world, but delighting in it, not condemning the world, but redeeming it, through Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit,

God was, God is, God will be.

Opening Prayer

*Eternal God, neither death nor life can separate us from your love. Grant that we may serve you faithfully here on earth, and in heaven rejoice with all your saints who ceaselessly proclaim your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.***

†Hymn 326: For All the Saints

†The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us share the peace of Christ with one another...

+ + + LITURGY OF THE WORD + + +

†Prayer for Illumination (Hymn #452: Open the Eyes of my Heart Lord)

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart;

I want to see you; I want to see you; (repeat)

To see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory.

Pour out your power and love as we sing "Holy, holy, holy."

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy, I want to see you.

Scripture Reading: Romans 1:1-8

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Children's Time

Sermon

†Hymn of Response 730: I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

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Offering

Sisters and brothers, God's ancient, steadfast love is not a love that simply waits for us to stop wandering and return home. God's love comes seeking us, and gives us the gift of Jesus, so that we might have life abundant. Our giving this morning, whether we have been lost and wandering, or secure and safe, expresses our firm conviction that God is with us, no matter what.

Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

Doxology (Hymn #643, verse 3)

*All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:*

*the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.*

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

On this All Saints' Day we give thanks to you, O Lord our God, for all your servants and witnesses of time past: For Abraham, the father of believers, and Sarah his wife, for Moses the lawgiver, and Aaron, the high priest:

We give you thanks, O Lord.

For Miriam and Joshua, Deborah and Gideon, for Samuel, and for his mother, Hannah;

We give you thanks, O Lord.

For David, king and psalmist of Israel, for Isaiah and the prophets;

We give you thanks, O Lord.

For Mary, the mother of our Lord, for Joseph, Elizabeth and John the Baptist;

We give you thanks, O Lord.

For Peter and Paul and the apostles, for Mary and Martha, and Mary Magdalene;

We give you thanks, O Lord.

For Stephen, the first martyr, for Ignatius and Polycarp, for Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Oscar Romero, and all the martyrs ancient and modern;

We give you thanks, O Lord.

For Augustine, Luther, Calvin and Wesley and all reformers and evangelists, for Joan of Arc, Julian of Norwich, Teresa of Avila and saintly women whose example of devotion inspires us to be your saints and faithful witnesses;

We give you thanks, O Lord.

And for all the saints who have guided us along life's path, who have taught us the faith, nurtured and cared for us, walked with us in times of joy and sorrow, and who now rest eternally in your care, especially for:

Bill Wyatt... Joyce Parrott... Jeanette Burkey Cross... Bettie Jo Mays... Mark Stokes... Toby Lowery... Lenora Cobble... Fred Trentham... Edward and

Johnnie Roberts... Tom and Fan Roberts... Joe and Ozelle Johnston... Quentin Bird ...

(We will observe a moment of prayer before continuing. During this time, you're invited to speak aloud or silently the names of any departed loved ones you'd like to remember in prayer.)

For these and for all your saints,

We give you thanks, O Lord.

With all your saints in heaven and on earth, with the angels, cherubim, seraphim, and your church across all time and space, we rejoice in singing to you the unending hymn of praise:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore Thee, Cast - ing down their
gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea; Cher-u - bim and sep - a-phim
fall - ing down be - fore Thee, Who wert, and art, and ev - er-more shalt be.

We give you thanks, O Lord, for Jesus Christ, and for the gift of this holy communion between heaven and earth that he has given us. We give you thanks that when he was with us, Christ gathered with friends around a table, and he took bread, and giving thanks, broke it and said, "This is my Body, broken for you." Later he took a cup of wine and said, "This is the new relationship with God made possible because of my death. Take it, all of you, to remember me."

We thank you, O Lord, that he whom the universe could not contain is still present with us in this bread. We thank you that he who redeemed us and called us by name now meets us in this cup. We give thanks, O Lord, that you come to us in these gifts so that we may come to God. As we take and share them together, we celebrate the mystery of our faith.

Christ has died: Christ is — ri - sen: Christ will come a - gain.

Gracious and Holy Lord, send now your Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine. And let your Holy Spirit rest upon us, O Lord, uniting us with those in all times and places who share in this feast. Giving thanks that we are one in communion with all the saints of every time and place, we pray your blessings upon those in special need of your healing Spirit today, especially...

God of the ages, we praise you for all your servants, who have done justice, loved mercy, and walked humbly with you, O Lord. For apostles and martyrs and saints of every time and place, who in life and death have witnessed to your truth,

We praise you, O God.

For all your servants who have faithfully served you, witnessed bravely, and died in faith, who still are shining lights in the world,

We praise you, O God.

For those no longer remembered, who earnestly sought you in darkness, who held fast their faith in trial, and served others,

We praise you, O God.

For those we have known and loved, who by their faithful obedience and steadfast hope, have shown the same mind that was in Christ Jesus,

We praise you, O God.

Keep us grateful for their witness, and, like them, eager to follow in the way of Christ. Then at the last, bring us with them to share in the inheritance of the saints in light;

Through Jesus Christ the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

†The Fraction

Look, here is your Lord coming to you in bread and wine. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Praise be to God.

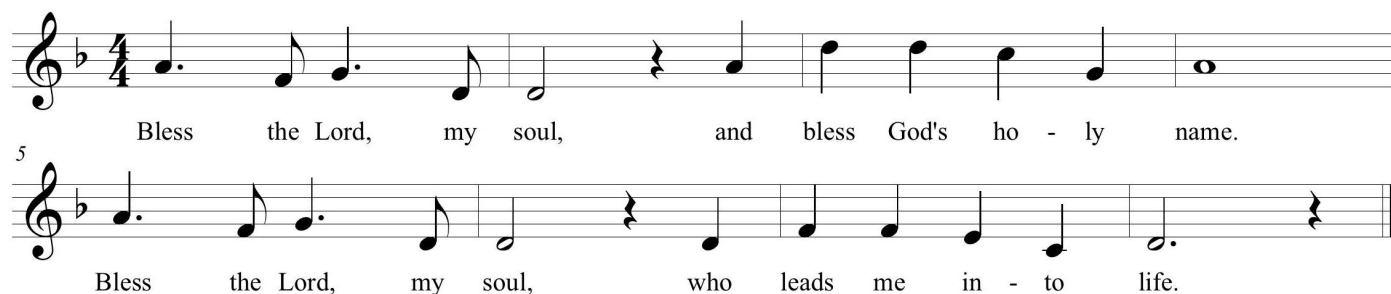
Communion of the People

Please come forward down the center aisle, take a wafer, dip it into the cup, and then return to your seat down the side aisle. Those wishing to remain seated will be served by an elder.

As you come forward, you are invited to pause around the table, offering any gifts or prayers you wish, and to light a candle (or more) in celebration of those saints who have now joined the Church Triumphant.

As we are celebrating the Feast of Christ, please joining in repeating the prayer

of Psalm 103, which follows below:



†Post-Communion Prayer

Generous God, Source of all holiness, and Giver of all good things; may we who have shared at this table as pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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†Hymn 741: Guide My Feet

†Charge and Blessing (*from Revelation 7*)

Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen!

We go out to be God's people.

Go in strength to be the saints of God for you will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike you, nor any scorching heat.

We go out to be God's people.

Live the way of God with confidence for God is your shepherd, and will guide you to the spring of life.

We go out to be God's people.

Go forth in the power of the Spirit, and the blessings of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you today and forevermore. Amen.

†Congregational Response (*Ancient Celtic Blessing*)

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

† Please rise in body or in spirit.

Announcements

UNICEF Offering today – please consider sharing in our annual UNICEF children's fund offering this morning. Last year we raised \$775.90!

Congregational Meeting – The Session has called a congregational meeting for **Sunday, 8 November during morning worship**. The purpose of this meeting is to hear the Nominating Committee's report and elect officers for 2016, and approved the Session's recommendation regarding 2016 pastoral terms of call.

Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes – It's time to pack those shoeboxes we've been collecting for all year. We begin this Wednesday night (28 October) with dinner at 6:30 and packing at 7:00. If you still have donations or items, shoeboxes, or cash for the shoebox project, please try to bring those by the church on or before Wednesday night so they can be included.

Five Cents a Meal Offering will be received this morning, and the first Sunday of each month. Please give generously to this offering which goes directly to hunger ministries in our community and around the world.

Sunset Gap Collection ends today. If you have any remaining items to donate, please make sure to bring them by the church this afternoon. Items will be picked up this week.

This Week at TRPC

28 October	Next Sunday (1 Nov - All Saints)	Food Bank & Samaritan's Purse (October)
6:30 – Dinner and Pack Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes	Matthew 13:45-46	• Hamburger Helper or Tuna Helper (FB) • Shoe boxes (SP)

Worship Leadership

Date	Acolyte	Usher	Communion
25 Oct	Wallace W	Charles H	N/A
1 Nov	Kenton C	Billy G	Vicki T
8 Nov	Blair S	Carroll H	N/A
15 Nov	Nancy Katherine	Kenny C	N/A
22 Nov	Addison G	John M	Amy C