



Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
8 November 2015 at 10:45

+ + + GATHERING + + +

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.

Congregational Meeting

- 1. Pastoral Terms of Call for 2016** (Paul Burkey, MIS Chair)
- 2. Election of Officers for 2016** (Jimmy Lister, Nominating chair)

Announcements

Choral Introit

Entrance Antiphon (Psalm 138)

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;

before the gods I sing your praise;

I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness;

for you have exalted your name and your word above everything. On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;

you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me. The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, Maker of heaven and earth, we gather together in your name. We come as living sacrifices, to offer you our worship and thanksgiving, our praise and our prayers. Come among us, living Lord. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, transform our hearts and minds so that we may recognize your presence, hear your voice, know your will, and walk in your way. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one

God, now and forever. Amen.

†**Hymn 634:** *To God Be the Glory*

†**Confession and Pardon**

Call to Confession (*Isaiah 30:15, 18 NRSV*):

For thus said the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel: In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength. But you refused. Therefore the Lord waits to be gracious to you; therefore God will rise up to show mercy to you. For the Lord is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for the Lord."

Unison Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess how easy it is for us to begin to adopt the attitudes and actions of the world around us; to let our lives be shaped by contemporary culture rather than by your call. We confess that we have not always treated one another as valued members of your Body, the Church. We have allowed intolerance and resentment to tear us apart. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, transform us. Change us from the inside out, so that our words and our lives would bring honor and glory to you. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness:

*The good news is that God has continued to love us and call us back together as beloved members of the Body of Christ. When we fall short, Christ picks us up and restores us to wholeness. Friends, believe these words of grace: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God!***

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 12:6-10*

We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in

proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem

Children's Time

Sermon

†Hymn of Response 733: *We All Are One in Mission*

Prayers of the People with Responsive Hymn #698 *(excerpted from a Prayer for Peace by Sister Joan Chittister)*

Great God, who has told us "Vengeance is mine," save us from ourselves, save us from the vengeance in our hearts and the acid in our souls. Save us from our desire to hurt as we have been hurt, to punish as we have been punished, to terrorize as we have been terrorized. Give us the strength it takes to listen rather than to judge, to trust rather than to fear, to try again and again to make peace even when peace eludes us.

Sing Hymn #698

Take, o take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall
be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

We ask, O God, for the grace to be our best selves. We ask for the vision to be builders of the human community rather than its destroyers. We ask for the humility as a people to understand the fears and hopes of other peoples. We ask for the love it takes to bequeath to the children of the world to come more than the failures of our own making. We ask for the heart it takes to care for all the peoples of Afghanistan and Iraq, of Palestine and Israel as well as for ourselves.

Sing Hymn #698

Give us the depth of soul, O God, to constrain our might, to resist the temptations of power, to refuse to attack the attackable, to understand that vengeance begets violence, and to bring peace--not war--wherever we go.

For You, O God, have been merciful to us. For You, O God, have been patient with us. For You, O God, have been gracious to us. And so may we be merciful, and patient, and gracious, and trusting with these others whom you also love. This we ask through Jesus, the one without vengeance in his heart, who taught us to pray for your kingdom as we say together...

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

+ + + LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST + + +

Offering

God gives bread to strengthen us, oil to make the face shine, and wine to gladden the heart. In gladness, let us offer our gifts to the Lord. (Psalm 104)

†Doxology (Hymn #1, v.1)

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

†Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

In deep gratitude for all that you have done for us, we offer ourselves and our gifts to you, O Lord—living sacrifices of worship and praise. Transform our hearts and minds from the inside out; show us what is good and pleasing in your sight, so that we may be quick to recognize your call, and quick to respond. Amen.

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†Hymn 747: The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

(sing twice – try the second time through in Spanish!)

†Charge and Blessing

†Congregational Response

*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

Announcements

Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes – We are packing up and wrapping shoeboxes, but are still in need of donations to defray shipping costs. If you would like to make a contribution toward this, we need a total of \$252.

Youth Activities – This Wednesday (11 November) we will gather at 6:30pm for dinner and finish wrapping up shoeboxes and prepare those for shipment.

Thanksgiving Dinner – Next Sunday (15 November) evening at 5:30pm we will have our annual Thanksgiving covered dish dinner in the fellowship hall, and the women's group will present their Thank Offering program.

This Week at TRPC

11 November	Next Sunday (15 Nov)	Food Bank & Samaritan's Purse (November)
6:30 – Dinner and Wrap Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes	Mark 8:1-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Macaroni & Cheese (FB)• Donations for shoebox shipping (SP)

Worship Leadership

Date	Acolyte	Usher	Communion
8 Nov	Blair S	Carroll H	N/A
15 Nov	Nancy Katherine	Kenny C	N/A
22 Nov	Addison G	John M	Amy C
29 Nov	Wallace W	Ken P	N/A
6 Dec	Kenton C	Charles Br	Zelma E