



Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church

**Seventh Sunday of Easter, Year C
8 May 2016 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

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

As the Creator and Savior are one,

may we all be one.

So that the world will see Christ,

may we all be one.

So that the nations will know the love of God for them,

may we all be one.

As the body of Christ for the sake of world,

may we all be one. Let us worship God.

Prayer of the Day

Mysterious God, you reveal yourself in Jesus, your Beloved Child, who gives us a glimpse your glory and invites us to share in the unity of all that is Holy: the holiness that is you, your creation, your people, united in the Spirit that breaks through all boundaries of fear and injustice.

*Meet us here today, O Lord, and teach us to be one: One in love for each other; One in understanding with all who find in Jesus the way to you; One in peace with all who have chosen other paths for their lives. We ask all this in the name of Jesus, whose fervent prayer was ever: "May they all be one." **Amen.***

†Hymn 319: Men of Faith, Rise Up and Sing

+ + + LITURGY OF THE WORD + + +

†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...

†Prayer for Illumination (Hymn #450: Be Thou My Vision, v1)

*Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem

Children's Time

Sermon

†Hymn 649: Amazing Grace

Prayers of the People

On this day when we remember our mothers, let us offer our prayers to Jesus, the son of Mary...Because on this earth we are all sons and daughters of Eve, let us pray for the whole world and the church universal, that we might behold each other as brothers and sisters. Lord in your mercy.

Hear our Prayer.

As Rebecca gave birth to Jacob, and in so doing gave birth to a nation, let us pray for our own nation, and for all in authority. Lord in your mercy.

Hear our Prayer.

As Rachel's son Joseph was mistreated, beaten, and wrongly jailed, we pray for all in this world who are in trouble of any kind. We pray for the poor, the hungry, the imprisoned, and the victims of war and all who live in terror's wake. Lord in your mercy.

Hear our Prayer.

As Hannah, the mother of Samuel, went to the House of the Lord to pray with earnest integrity, we earnestly pray for those in this community, especially for those who continue to care for children and work for their welfare and wellbeing. Lord in your mercy.

Hear our Prayer.

As Naomi took Ruth into her home, we pray for those who act as surrogate, spiritual mothers. We pray with gratitude for all those who give the gift of love and nurturing. Lord in your mercy.

Hear our Prayer.

As Elizabeth gave birth in old age, and as she saw her son John the Baptist carried off to persecution, we pray for all those who are sick, those who are suffering, and those with any need, especially...

...Lord in your mercy.

Hear our Prayer.

And, as your servant Mary stood by the cross and watched her son die, we pray for the dead and the dying. Lord in your mercy.

Hear our Prayer.

Lord Jesus, who wishes to gather your people as a mother hen gathers together her brood, we offer to you our prayers. Accept our gratitude for all who mother, bless all who mother, and give all mothers your comfort and strength. And help all of us, brothers and sisters, to be your family on earth, as we are in Heaven.

Amen.

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

Looking forward to that day when people will hunger and thirst no more, and God will wipe away every tear, and we will worship with all the saints around the throne of the Lamb, let us offer our lives to the Lord.

†Doxology (Hymn #609)

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known!
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

†Prayer of Thanksgiving

All things come from you, O God,
and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you, not with our lips only, but with our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to you; through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

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†Hymn 384: Soon and Very Soon

†Charge and Blessing

*Out of great love, God, who is rich in mercy,
has made us alive together with Christ.
Through Christ, God has shown us
the immeasurable riches of grace.
Let us go into the world to be open channels of that love
and vessels overflowing with that grace.*

†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

Olivia is raising support for her upcoming year of service in Glasgow, Scotland through the Young Adult Volunteer Program. She will be working in the Priority Area Churches, and is asking for support both in prayer and financially. Please make any financial contributions by June 12.

VBS Planning Meeting – There will be a meeting for everyone interested in helping with Vacation Bible School next Sunday evening, 15 May

Pentecost Offering will be received next Sunday (15 May). Please see your bulletin inserts for more details. This offering is used specifically for ministries to children and youth, and 40% of what we receive stays at the church to be given to a local ministry.

Dates for your Calendar:

- 22 May – Spring Picnic and Worship in the Pavilion
- **20-23 June** – Vacation Bible School ****NOTE THE NEW VBS DATES****

This Week at TRPC

Week of 11 May	Next Sunday (15 May)	Food Bank & Samaritan's Purse (May)
No Wednesday night activities this week	Heresies #6 Gnosticism and Pentecost	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crackers (FB) • Ball caps and sunglasses (SP)

Worship Leadership

Date	Acolyte	Usher	Communion
8 May	Blair S	Gary M	N/A
15 May	Addison G	Doyle E	April M
22 May	Kenton C	Will E	Marilyn B
29 May	Addison G	Doug R	N/A
5 Jun	Blair S	Carroll H	N/A