



Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church

12th Sunday after Pentecost, Year C

7 August 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

Call to Worship *(from Revelation 1:4-6)*

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from Jesus Christ,

the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father,

to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

†**Hymn 1:** *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

†**The Peace**

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. To this peace we were called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

So 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;

*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 readings (NRSV): Revelation 1:1-20

The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place; he made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, who testified to the word of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, even to all that he saw.

Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of the prophecy, and blessed are those who hear and who keep what is written in it; for the time is near.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

I, John, your brother who share with you in Jesus the persecution and the kingdom and the patient endurance, was on the island called Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. I was in the spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet saying, "Write in a book what you see and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamum, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea."

Then I turned to see whose voice it was that spoke to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands I saw one like the Son of Man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash across his chest. His head and his hair were white as white wool, white as snow; his eyes were like a flame of fire, his feet were like burnished bronze, refined as in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of many waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, and from his mouth came a sharp, two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining with full force.

When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he placed his right hand on me, saying, "Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, and the living one. I was dead, and see, I am alive forever and ever; and I have the keys of Death and of Hades. Now write what you have seen, what is, and what is to take place after this. As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand,

and the seven golden lampstands: the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem

Time with Children

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Brian Wyatt

†**Hymn 366:** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

+ + + LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST + + +

Offering

God tells us over and over in the Bible not to be afraid. Our gifts this morning are one way that we trust God, even in a world that keeps telling us to be afraid. We let go of thinking that we are on our own, and live each day in graceful dependence on God.

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

†**Doxology (Tune #643)**

*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.*

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

God, you are with us.

You are always with us.

May we open our hearts.

May we know your presence.

In thanksgiving,

And in deepest honor.

We praise and thank you for this world, for the assurance that we need not fear, for the future is in your hands, and for the promise that you will continue to re-create this world, and us, bringing forth new life and fresh hope in places of darkness and death. Therefore, with people of every nation, tribe and language, with the whole Church throughout the ages, we bring ourselves: all

that we are, and all that we are not, joyfully giving thanks and singing:

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of the
2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the

(A) C (D/F#) F/A (F#m) Am (G) Bb (A) C (Bm) Dm

pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

(G) Bb (D) F (A) C (Bm) Dm (Em7) Gm7 (A) C (Dsus) Fsus (D) F

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy God, we honor you in whom our lives are founded, and in whom our futures lie. We remember and honor the searching over the centuries that has perceived your presence in life, and your meaning for all of life. Above all we honor Jesus, our Christ, whose life and death reveal to us, as his resurrection, the full nature of your being and hope for creation.

We remember that, on the night before his death, Jesus, as he'd always done, gathered his friends for a common meal. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread and gave some to each one, saying: "Take, eat: This is my body given for you and for everyone. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took a cup of wine, and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my blood which is shed for you and for everyone. Drink this in remembrance of me."

In joyful thanksgiving, we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ's spirit renews our lives.

Holy God, may our hearts and minds be alive to what is sacred in these

symbols of bread and wine. May they open us to your guidance and to your love for us, for all humankind, and for all life on this earth. This is our hope, our common will, and the expression of our love and trust in Jesus, our Christ. And now, in the spirit of Christ's teaching, we pray:

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Christ has died and lives for all. These are God's gifts, broken and shared, and in so doing, made holy, for you, God's holy people.

Thanks be to God!

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

Eternal, loving God, we thank you for this simple common meal that brings the spirit and reality of Christ into our hearts, and brings us closer to you. May our lives be inspired by your love, and may your love touch others through us.

Amen.

+ + + SENDING + + +

†Hymn 260: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

†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

† Please rise in body or in spirit.

Announcements

Nurture Committee will meet next Sunday (7 August) immediately after worship to discuss our annual fall retreat.

Bible Trivia – Wednesday night activities start back this week! Join us Wednesday evening (10 August) for an all church Bible trivia challenge. Don't

miss out on this evening of good food and fun!

Building Fund collection will be received **next Sunday** (14 August). This fund exists primarily to pay for necessary repairs and improvements on the beautiful church building we have inherited, keeping it in good repair for our children and their children to worship in for generations to come

Fall Picnic will be 2 weeks from today (21 August). We will gather in the pavilion at 11:00am for worship followed by a covered dish lunch.

The Women of Timber Ridge are asking for your support to help fund their mission projects. Even if you are unable to attend our enlightening Bible studies and lively business meetings, we still welcome your contributions. You don't even have to be female to make a gift! Just give your donation to our treasurer, Marilyn Brumley (checks payable to Timber Ridge Presbyterian Women). THANK YOU!!

We will begin collecting items for Sunset Gap on [Saturday](#) September tenth. Leave your boxed items in the basement by [October the 15th](#). Thank you.

Frances Brumley's Address is Manor House #107, 8501 South North Shore Drive, Knoxville TN 37922

This Week at TRPC

Wednesday, 10 August	13th Sunday after Pentecost (14 Aug)	Food Bank & Samaritan's Purse (August)
6:30 – dinner 7:00 – Bible Jeopardy!	Acts 11:1-18	• Spaghetti sauce (FB) • School supplies (SP)

Worship Leadership

Date	Acolyte	Usher	Communion
7 Aug	Blair S	Doug R & Charlie H	Joyce W
14 Aug	Wallace W	Carroll H & Charlie H	N/A
21 Aug	<i>Fall Picnic in Pavilion</i>		N/A
28 Aug	Kenton C	Charles B & Charlie H	N/A
4 Sep	Wallace W	John M & Charlie H	Lisa B