



Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church

17th Sunday after Pentecost, Year C

11 September 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

Like a woman who finds a missing coin,

God rejoices in our salvation.

Like a shepherd who finds a lost sheep,

God rejoices in bringing us home.

Let us worship God.

Opening Prayer

*Merciful Savior, you sent Jesus to seek out those who are lost. Receive us as we return to you this day, then send us out to join your search, so that we may rejoice with you and with all the company of heaven in the glory of your holy realm; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.***

†Hymn 620: *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

†Call to Confession

We are broken vessels that hold no water, yet God is gracious to us.

(Jeremiah 2:13) Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

†Prayer of Confession

Sovereign God, we confess that have not turned away from sin. You search for us, like lost sheep, but we pretend not to hear your voice. You treasure us, like lost coins, but we spend our lives in foolish ways.

Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to repent and return to you, so that we may join the joyful feast of redemption and restoration; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

†Declaration of Forgiveness

*As a potter holds a piece of clay, God holds and shapes our lives.
(Jeremiah 18:6) In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!*

Thanks be to God.

†The Peace

Jesus says, "Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." So may we know peace with God and peace between each other. Brothers and sisters, the peace of the Lord 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.*

Gospel Reading: Luke 15:1-10

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance."

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem

Children's Time

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Jim Mays

†**Hymn 801:** *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want*

†**Prayers of the People**

*Trusting in the power of God to deliver us, let us make our prayers of intercession for all. We pray for the church...Make us good shepherds for your sheep and good stewards of your gifts, so that the lost may be found in you. God our Savior, **hear our prayer.***

*We pray for the world...Look with mercy upon ruined lands, fields of desolation, cities of rubble. Restore the glory of your good creation. God our Savior, **hear our prayer.***

*We pray for this community...Strengthen us to serve you in this place, sharing the good news of your saving love with our friends, neighbors, and strangers. God our Savior, **hear our prayer.***

*We pray for loved ones...According to your steadfast love have mercy on those who are suffering. Let them know joy and gladness again. God our Savior, **hear our prayer.***

Merciful and mighty God, as you are one, make us one with you through Jesus Christ, whom you have sent to redeem us, and in whose holy name we pray as he has taught us...

†**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 has called us to do good, to be rich in good works, generous and ready to share. With gratitude to the giver of life, let us offer our lives to the Lord. (1 Timothy 6:13, 18)

†Doxology (Tune #606)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

†Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God of all good gifts, you bless us with so much to share. Use the gift of our money and the gifts of our lives to bring your healing and hope, your justice and peace to our neighbors, near and far. Amen.

+ + + SENDING + + +

†Hymn 739: O for a Closer Walk with God

†Charge and Blessing

Proclaim the message, be persistent in prayer, do the work of the gospel, and carry out the ministry of Jesus Christ our Lord. (2Tim 4:2, 5; Lk 18:1)

The Lord bless and keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore. (Psalm 121:8)

†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

Women's Group will meet tomorrow evening (Monday, 12 September).

- Hostess: **Beth M**
- Mission Interpretation: **Ruth B**
- Bible Study: **Brian W (Lesson 7)**
- Mission Project: **Medical Benevolence**

Youth Group will meet this Wednesday (14 September) for Lego Racing and Outdoor Games (leaders: Sarah W & Wallace W). Join us at 6:30 for hamburger dinner and games at 7:00.

Fall Retreat is in 2.5 weeks at beautiful Holston Center in Banner Elk, NC. Make plans to join us, and see Kimra C. to sign up.

Bennie's Recital will be Sunday afternoon, 25 September, at 4:00pm in the sanctuary, followed by a light covered dish fellowship downstairs. Don't miss this afternoon of wonderful music!

This Week at TRPC

Wednesday, 14 September	18th Sunday after Pentecost (18 Sep)	Food Bank & Sam's Purse (September)
6:30 – Hamburger dinner 7:00 – Outdoor games and Lego racing	Revelation 19:1-10 Micah 6:6-8	• Pasta (FB) • Ziplock baggies & hard candy (SP)

Worship Leadership

Date	Acolyte	Ushers	Communion
11 Sep	Blair S	Kenton C & Charlie H	N/A
18 Sep	Kenton C	Gary M & Charlie H	N/A
25 Sep	William B	Wallace W & Charlie H	N/A
2 Oct	Kenton C	Doyle E & Charlie H	Zelma E
9 Oct	Blair S	Will E & Charlie H	N/A