



Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church  
Third Sunday in Lent, Year A  
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19 March 2017 at 10:45

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**+ + + 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.**

**Announcements**

1. Acolyte for Mar. 19 is Blaire. Acolyte for Mar. 26 is Kenton.
2. Turn in shoe box paperwork.
3. The foodbank item for Mar. is pasta and/or rice.
4. The shoebox item for Feb. was scarves, gloves, hats. For March, it is accessories: sunglasses, jewelry, headbands, watches, etc.
5. Sunday School series on "Praying Scripture" March 12, 19, 26 and April 2.

**Choral Introit**

**Call to Worship** (*Psalm 46:1-3, 7*)

God is our refuge and strength, a present help in trouble.

**Therefore, we will not fear though the earth should change, though  
the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**

Though the waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its  
tumult.

**The Lord almighty is with us.**

**Opening Prayer** (*A Litany for Lent*)

**O Christ, fountain of life and holiness, you have taken away our  
sins. On the cross you were wounded for our transgressions and  
were bruised for our iniquities. Save us, Lord. Amen.**

**†Hymn 32: "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"**

### **†Call to Confession**

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. In faith and penitence, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

### **†Prayer of Confession**

**Holy and merciful God, we confess to you and to one another, and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven. Have mercy on us, O God. Amen.**

### **†Declaration of Forgiveness**

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.  
**Amen.**

### **†The Peace**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## **+ + + 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 Reading:**

Romans 5: 1-5

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Choral Anthem**

**Children's Time**

**Sermon:**

Patrick's Story

**†Hymn 438: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"**

**Prayers of the People**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**+ + + LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST + + +**

**Offering (*Matthew 10:8*)**

Freely you have received. Freely give.

**†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 Dedication and Thanksgiving**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

By your Spirit, O God, strengthen our souls to be brave and bold in Christ's service. Take our offerings, and use them and us for your purposes, in the name of Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Lord. **Amen.**

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**†Hymn 451: "Open My Eyes, That I May See"**

**†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.**

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