

Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A <u>http://www.lectionarypage.net/index.html</u> 9 July 2017 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

- 1. The foodbank item for July is powdered milk.
- 2. The Samaritan's purse item for July is clothing items.
- 3. Sunday School, 9:30 am, study of the Book of Acts.
- 4. Intercessory Prayer Group, Thursday afternoons at 1:30, in the fellowship hall. Do you have a heart for prayer? Please join in. Do you have a prayer request? Please share your request during worship today or leave a written note in the offering plate.
- 5. Two upcoming outreach/service events: Wednesday, July 19, preparing appreciation/encouragement gifts for the teachers of Glenwood Elementary School; Wednesday, August 9, preparing supplemental supply boxes for the classrooms of Glenwood; both events 6:30pm in the fellowship hall.
- 6. Memorial Service today for Mary Violet Dearstone Dickerson, following morning worship.
- 7. Nurture Committee will meet July 12 at 7:00 at church.
- 8. If you would like to add a rock to the pile in the basket (either silently or sharing a few words) to celebrate God making his presence and faithfulness known in a special way, you are invited to do so during the announcement time.
- 9. Last chance to get free VHS tapes (in the back of the church).

Choral Introit

Call to Worship (Matthew 11:27-30)

These are the words of Jesus Christ our Lord:

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

Let us worship the Lord our God.

Opening Prayer

O Lord our God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts upon us than we are to seek them. You are more willing to give than we desire or deserve. Help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so to knock that the door of mercy may be opened for us; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

†Hymn 634: "To God Be the Glory"

†Call to Confession (Hebrews 4:4-16)

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in our time of need. Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

†Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. 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. Thanks be to God. 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, noly." Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy, I want to see you.

Scripture Reading:

John 5:1-15

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem

Children's Time

Sermon:

Back Together Again

†Hymn 838: "Standing on the Promises"

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 (1 Chronicles 29:10, 11)

Yours, O Lord, are grandeur and power, majesty, splendor, and glory. All in the heavens and on the earth is yours, and of your own we give you.

Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth.

†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.

Holy Spirit, giver of life:

For your abiding presence in our lives and for comforting and guiding us, we give you thanks, praise, and glory. Amen.

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†Hymn 625: "O Lord My God"

†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.

Contact information for Rev. Dr. Christine T. Bohn, Interim Pastor: pastorchris@trpctn.org.

The congregation of Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church extends a warm welcome to all who are joining in worship this morning for the first time or the first time in a long time. Sunday school meets before worship at 9:30am, downstairs in the fellowship hall. The choir is not meeting for rehearsals during the summer, but normally rehearses on Sunday afternoons. The next meeting of the Presbyterian Women will be the first Monday evening in August. An intercessory prayer group meets in the fellowship hall on Thursday afternoons at 1:30pm. Outreach/service events are planned for Wednesday, July 19, and Wednesday, August 9. You are invited.

+ + + INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST (7/9/17) + + +

Prayer Requests

Sandra Carter - healing from cancer Johanna - comfort, wisdom, and provision Lori Askew - treatment began 6/26 Ethan Self - truth and justice in appeal process Outreach events ("Feed My Sheep") Joey - suffering from seizures and undergoing tests Ramsey Cutshaw (and his family, including Sherry Cutshaw Hood) - cancer treatment beginning Betty L. - mourning her son's death on 7/1

<u>Praise Reports</u> Jesus - the perfect GPS! VBS - 14 kids and much love and joy Betty L. - able to be with her son when he died

***A prayer request will generally be kept on the printed list for two weeks, unless there is a specific request that it continue.

+ + + OUTREACH UPDATE + + +

A combined meeting of Nurture, Youth, and Outreach Committees met on June 14th to discuss ways that we can be of service to our community. It was shared that, through prayer, an answer of "Feed My Sheep" came from the question, "Lord, what is it you want TRPC to do?" From this, the group came to the conclusion that we reach out to the Glenwood School family - teachers and students.

We will start with a simple project of making Back-to-School goody bags for teachers. Included will be a survey about what things their classrooms need: supplies, snacks, clothing, etc. Zelma will collect the surveys before the students come back to school. We would like to be able to supply each classroom with the supplies they need to help students. If you can donate one or more gift bags for use in this project, please bring it/them to Zelma or Ruth.

We hope this will lead us to the next step of service: HOW to feed the sheep. This doesn't necessarily mean food! We would LOVE to have everyone who feels called to help in some way. If each of us gave \$5 or \$10, we would have enough to purchase goody bag supplies and perhaps classroom supplies as well. Please consider helping in any way. Should you choose to donate, please write "Glenwood" in the memo on your check or place cash in envelope marked "Glenwood". THANK YOU!