



Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A
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8 October 2017 at 10:45

+ + + 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. The Peace and Global Witness Offering will be received TODAY.
2. The Presbyterian Women (PW) will be collecting items (furniture, clothing, toys, etc.) for Sunset Gap until October 15. Please put items in the Fellowship Hall.
3. Session has authorized a love offering to assist a Timber Ridge person through a time of need. Mark your gift "love offering."
4. 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.

Call to Worship (*Psalm 19:1-4*)

The heavens declare the glory of God.

The skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Day after day they pour forth speech.

Night after night they reveal knowledge.

They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them.

Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

Opening Prayer

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

†Hymn 65: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

†Call to Confession (*Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16*)

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 humility and faith, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

†Prayer of Confession

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you are ready to give more than we deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy. Forgive us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and meet our desperate need for grace, though we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

†Declaration of Forgiveness (*2 Corinthians 5:17*)

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is gone; a new life is begun.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

†The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

As God has showered us with mercy, let us also have mercy toward one another. Let us share the peace of Christ.

+ + + 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:
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Colossians 3:12-14

Choral Anthem

Children's Time

Sermon: Forbearance (without Keeping Score)

†**Hymn 234: "Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"**

Prayers of the People

... **Almighty God, you built your church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ himself as the cornerstone. Gather your church in unity, by your Holy Spirit, that it may manifest your goodness and grace among all peoples to the glory of your holy name.**

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 (*2 Timothy 1:7*)

God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

With courage, let us present the offering of our life and labor to the Lord.

†**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** (*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. Amen.

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†Hymn 435: "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

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. Our prayer is that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge--that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God (Ephesians 3:17-19).

+ + + INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST (10/8/17) + + +

Prayer Requests

Sandra Carter - healing from cancer
Vicki Trentham - cancer, healing after surgery
Johanna - wisdom and provision
Lori Askew - treatment began 6/26
Negetha - healing
Ethan Self - truth/justice in appeal process
Susan Roberts
Glenwood Elementary School community
Ken Martin - cancer
Jerry Cohen - cancer
Mary and Smitty - Smitty is on hospice

Outreach events ("Feed My Sheep")
All those affected by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria
Meme - health
Family of Jack Trentham - grieving his death
Dr. Dan Palmer – health
Family of Jimmy Cox - grieving his death
Family of Mildred Purgason - grieving her death
Ruth's mom (dementia) and sister (caregiving)

Praise Reports

Pastor Chris - ligament healing; no need for surgery!

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

++ Sunset Gap: Furniture, clothing, toys, ... until October 15. Place items in the Fellowship Hall.

++ Food Bank: Oct. is Hamburger/Tuna Helper Box in narthex. ++

++ Samaritan's Purse: Oct. is picture/letter. Box in narthex. ++

+ + Glenwood Outreach + +

- "Lord, what is it you want TRPC to do?" and "How shall we feed your sheep?" Your prayers, ideas, donations, and action are needed.

++ Events ++

- **Called Session Meeting** - Wednesday, October 18, 6:30.
- **Presbyterian Women** - Next meeting, Monday, November 6, 7pm. Host is Joyce and held at church.
- **Intercessory Prayer Group**, Thursday afternoons at 1:00, 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.
- **Sunday School**, 9:30am, in the fellowship hall; studying the Book of Acts.