



Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A
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22 October 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. Theologian-in-Residence Presentation - Thursday, October 26, 6:30pm, First Presbyterian Church, Greeneville. Dr. Joel Van Amberg, Tusculum College: "Martin Luther's Ninety-Five Theses--A Reformation Document?"
2. There will be a Called Congregational Meeting following worship on Sunday, November 12, for elections and to receive the 2018 budget.
3. There will be a potluck Thanksgiving celebration following the meeting on Sunday, November 12.
4. Session has authorized a love offering to assist a Timber Ridge person through a time of need. Mark your gift "love offering."
5. 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.

Introit

Call to Worship (*from Psalm 99:1-3*)

The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble.

He is enthroned on high, let the earth shake.

Great is the LORD, he is exalted over all the nations.

Let them praise your great and awesome name--he is holy.

Opening Prayer

O God, you are infinite, eternal and unchangeable, glorious in holiness, full of love and compassion, abundant in grace and truth. Your works everywhere praise you, and your glory is revealed in Jesus Christ our Savior. Therefore we praise you, blessed and holy Trinity, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

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

†Call to Confession (*Romans 5:8*)

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us. Trusting in God's amazing love, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

†Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you 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. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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.

In Christ, there is forgiveness and life.

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.

Choral Anthem

Children's Time

Sermon:

†Hymn 373: "O for a World"

Prayers of the People

... **God of unchangeable power, when you fashioned the world the morning stars sang together and the host of heaven shouted for joy. Open our eyes to the wonders of creation and teach us to use all things for good, to the honor of your glorious 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 (*Hebrews 13:16*)

Do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Rejoicing in God's goodness, 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.

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†Hymn 630: "Fairest Lord 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.

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).

Our Columbia Seminary student, Emily Morrell, sent the following message to the congregation of Timber Ridge Church:

T.R.P.C.,

To be honest, I don't have the language to express how deeply grateful I am for all of you and all the ways—large and small—you have made me who I am. The more people I get to know, at various churches, schools, etc., the more I realize how absurdly lucky I am to have a home—both in terms of place and people—as beautiful and bursting with love as the one I have at Timber Ridge. You all are the best cloud of witnesses a person could ask for.

Thank you so much for your encouragement, your faith in me, and the wonderful way you continue to shape who I am. A simple thank you note can't begin to do my gratitude justice.

All my love,
Emily

+ + + INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST (10/22/17) + + +

Prayer Requests

Sandra Carter - healing from cancer
Vicki Trentham - cancer
Johanna - wisdom and provision
Lori Askew - treatment didn't take;
evaluating options
Negetha - healing
Ethan Self - truth/justice in appeal process
Susan Roberts
Glenwood Elementary School community
Ken Martin - cancer
Jerry Cohen - cancer

Outreach events ("Feed My Sheep")
All those affected by the hurricanes
All those affected by the shooting in Las Vegas
Ruth's mom (dementia) and sister
(caregiving)
Smitty (on hospice) and Mary (caregiver)
Diane Morrell - health
Jamie - throat cancer
Gary - recovering from surgery
Paul - traveling for work

Praise Reports

Praising God for the collection of stuff for Sunset Gap
God is good!

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

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

**++ Samaritan's Purse: October 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 ++

- **Theologian-in-Residence** - Thursday,
October 26, 6:30pm, First Presbyterian,
Greeneville: "Martin Luther's Ninety-
Five Theses"
- **Presbyterian Women** - Next meeting,
Monday, November 6, 7pm, at the
church. Host is Joyce.

- **Called Congregational Meeting** -
Following worship on Sunday,
November 12.
- **Thanksgiving Celebration:** Potluck,
following the meeting on November 12.
- **Session Meeting** - Wednesday,
November 15, 6:30pm.
- **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.