

Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost, Year A <u>http://www.lectionarypage.net/index.html</u> 29 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. There will be a Called Congregational Meeting following worship on Sunday, November 12, for elections and to receive the 2018 budget.
- 2. There will be a potluck Thanksgiving celebration following the meeting on Sunday, November 12.
- 3. 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 (Psalm 34:1-2)

I will extol the LORD at all times.

His praise will always be on my lips.

I will glory in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together.

Opening Prayer

Eternal God, neither death nor life can separate us from your love. Grant that we may serve you faithfully here on earth, and in heaven rejoice with all your saints who ceaselessly proclaim your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

†Hymn 326: "For All the Saints"

†Call to Confession (1 John 1:8-9)

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith, let us confess our sins.

†Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ. 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 is generous in mercy, let us also be generous in 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, noly." Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy, I want to see you.

Scripture Reading:

Deuteronomy 34:1-4

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem

Children's Time

Sermon:

Remembering the Saints

†Hymn 20: "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Prayers of the People

Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, Almighty God, to rule and direct us according to your will, to comfort us in all our temptations and afflictions, to defend us from error, and lead us into all truth; that we, being steadfast in the faith, may increase in love and in all good works, and in the end obtain everlasting life.

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 (Psalm 24:1)

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and all who dwell in it.

Rejoicing in God's faithfulness, 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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise. Receive and multiply our gifts, O Lord. Use our gifts and us according to your purpose and for your glory. Amen.

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†Hymn 275: "A Mighty Fortress is Our 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. 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

For those who would like to send a word of encouragement to Emily, her address is: 701 S. Columbia Dr., Box 83, Decatur, GA 30030

+ + + INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST (10/29/17) + + +

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)
Family and friends of Smitty, who died October 20
Diane Morrell - health
Jamie - throat cancer
Gary - recovering from surgery
Carl Smith's family - mourning his death
Jerry Williams' family - mourning his death

Praise Reports

Praising God for protecting Bobbie Jo, and giving thanks for the "earth angel" her got her car back on the road Doctors - "bless their hearts" God's guidance during med change journey Rain and a flowing creek!

***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 + +

 Next step - lots of volunteers will be taking turns bringing snacks for the teachers and staff.

++ Events ++

• **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? <u>Please share your request</u> <u>during worship today or leave a written</u> <u>note in the offering plate.</u>
- **Sunday School**, 9:30am, in the fellowship hall; studying the Book of Acts.