

Timber Ridge Presbyterian ChurchSeventh Sunday of Easter, Year A

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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.

Announcements

- 1. Most in-person activities, including gathering for Sunday morning worship, remain suspended. Session will continue to assess the situation. As yet no date for re-gathering has been specified. Each Sunday, worship resources and a message from Pastor Chris will be posted on Timber Ridge's Facebook page and website and provided in another format to those who do not have internet access.
- 2. Daily weekday meditations from Pastor Chris are available on Facebook and website. There will be no meditation on Memorial Day.
- 3. The cemetery offering is this month. Thanks! Decoration Day is May 24.
- 4. The Pentecost Offering is officially May 31. Donations can be sent to Marilyn any time.
- 5. Begin worship by observing a few moments of silent reflection to quiet heart and mind before God and to notice ways God's presence and faithfulness have been made known to you in the last week. Please email or call Pastor Chris to add what you have noticed to the prayer list so that we all might be edified and encouraged.

Call to Worship (*Luke 24:48, 51*)

We are witnesses: the Lord is risen! Christ has ascended to reign on high.

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, your blessed Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things. Mercifully give us faith to trust that, as he promised, he abides with us here on earth always; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

+++LITURGY OF THE WORD +++

Prayer for Illumination

Loving God, fountain of every blessing, open us to your life-giving word, and fill us with your Holy Spirit so that living water may flow through our hearts—a spring of hope for a thirsty world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Acts 1:12-17

Sermon: Remember Who

Prayers of the People

(Our prayers matter. Take some time for intercessory prayer.) (Timber Ridge's prayer list is provided on the last page of this document.)

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O God, in your loving purpose answer our prayers and fulfill our hopes.

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** (Romans 6:13)

Let us present ourselves to God as those who have been delivered from death to life.

Doxology

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

Loving God, draw us into your presence that we may worship you always, continually blessing your name. Let our lives proclaim Christ's life. Amen.

Blessing

May the peace of God guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

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Session: Charles Brumley (2020; clerk of session), Marilyn Brumley (2021; receiving treasurer), Hannah Crocker (2020), April Marenco (2022), Beth Morrell (2022), John Morrell (2021).

Sandra Carter is the disbursing treasurer.

Charlie Harmon is the choir director.

Beth Morrell is the assistant choir director.

**The ministry and mission of Timber Ridge continues. Please continue to give as the Lord leads, so that Timber Ridge can meet expenses and have resources to help in time of need. Tithes and offerings can be mailed directly to the receiving treasurer, Marilyn Brumley. May is the month for the Cemetery Offering and the Pentecost Offering.

Food Bank: May -- Crackers
Samaritan's Purse: May - Hygiene items

+ + + INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST (5/24/20) + + +

Prayer Requests

Charlie H. – continued recovery

Vicki T. – health

Ashton – health concerns

Ethan S. – protection & provision

Tenisha – home recovering from most

recent surgery

Margie L. - health & well-being

Edwina C. - health & well-being

Tony B. - health & well-being

Doyle E. - health

Zelma's sister Judy - health

James W. - health

Ed B. (Beth's dad) - health/well-being

Ken & Inge H. - health

Family & friends grieving deaths – Norma George (Ethan's granny), Grace Davis

Kortnee – still battling to get the PT/OT that

she needs

Brian – receiving treatment

Ronnie C. – receiving treatments

Julie T. (Chris' niece) – recovering from

surgery

Maria H. (Chris's niece) – trigeminal

neuralgia

Brown (friend of Sandra) - receiving

treatments

Vicki's mom – health concerns

Praise Reports

Thanksgiving for the life of Grace Davis

Good reports from medical tests...

Gratitude for military veterans and their families

Celebrating spring graduates, including Bennie's granddaughter Jaci (8th grade)

Please email/phone (or post on the online forum) new prayer requests and praise reports, as well as updates, to Pastor Chris so that they can be added to this list. Thanks!

Joanne H. – health

Alexis – improving

Lee (Negetha's nephew) – healing

Classmate of Blair's – non-Hodgkins

lymphoma

Robin – pain level still very high; grief

Shirley (Robin's mom) – pneumonia

14-year-old – had surgery 3/20

A friend with ailing pets and other troubles

Allergy season sufferers

Caregivers

Teresa – home recovering from surgery

Charles Br. - healing

Patricia R. – lung cancer has recurred

Tenisha's nephew Dakota – in ICU

Neighbor who fell recently

All aspects of the coronavirus pandemic, especially those who are ill, those who are mourning, those who are afraid, those who have been displaced, those whose jobs or activities have been disrupted, those who were already in crisis before this crisis even started, those locked down in residential facilities and prisons, those whose jobs put them at increased risk, those involved in health care, and those who

have leadership responsibilities, ...