

Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church Third Sunday after Epiphany, Year B <u>http://www.lectionarypage.net/index.html</u> 24 January 2021

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.
- 2. Reminder—we are still collecting food items for the Greene County Food Bank.
- 3. Next session meeting—Sunday, **January 24**, 1:00, by Zoom; newly elected elders will be installed.
- 4. 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 (Psalm 62:5, 12)

For God alone my soul waits in silence. Steadfast love belongs to the Lord.

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit and make us worthy of your call; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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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:

Mark 1:14-20

Sermon:

Learning the Walk

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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Eternal God, you sent Jesus Christ to break down the walls of hostility that divide us. Send peace on earth, and put down greed, pride, and anger, so that your love might rule and your peace might reign.

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.

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Offering**

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

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

Now to the ruler of all worlds, undying, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

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

Contact information for Rev. Dr. Christine T. Bohn, Interim Pastor: cell # (423) 329-5822 [when in Greeneville]; home # (423) 487-5400; no texts. email addresses: bohnchristine@rocketmail.com or pastorchris@trpctn.org. **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.

Food Bank: January – canned pinto beans

Samaritan's Purse: January - gloves, hats, scarves

+ + + INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST (1/24/21) + + +

Praver Requests Ashton – health concerns Ethan S. - protection & provision; awaiting results of final court appeal Tenisha – home from hospital Margie L. - health & well-being Edwina C. - health & well-being Tony B. - health & well-being Doyle E. - health Carroll H. - health Ed B. (Beth's dad) - health/well-being Ken & Inge H. - health Family & friends grieving deaths - Toni Barrett; Mabel Benge; Gideon Munganga Kortnee – adjusting to life at home Brian – receiving treatment Vicki's mom – health concerns Joanne H. – health Classmate of Blair's - non-Hodgkins lymphoma Caregivers Teresa – home recovering from surgery Patricia R. – lung cancer has recurred Micah B. – protection & provision

Katie – provision and guidance Those looking for work All aspects of the coronavirus pandemic Kathleen B. - health Vicki T. – health Amy – health Judy – health John B. – rescued little girl from possible drowning at great cost to his own health; home from hospital Anonymous family – needs prayers Andy – a difficult divorce Bennie – continuing to improve Dave – treatments for leukemia; also pray for wife Nickie Friends who have tested positive for Covid A friend starting chemo for stage 4 leukemia Anthony – torn bicep tendon; recovering from surgerv Darwin J. - seriously ill, in hospital April – health Kimra - health Mike R. and family – health Alexis – back in the hospital

<u>Praise Reports</u> Celebrating the life of Gideon Munganga.

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!