



Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, Year B
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31 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. At the January 24 session meeting, session decided to look into using Zoom for bringing the congregation together for worship and study and fellowship. Also, **the 2020 Annual Report is now available** and may be picked up in the narthex.
4. Donations for the **Souper Bowl of Caring** will be received throughout February; this special offering will support the GGCCM Food Bank.
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 (*1 Corinthians 13:13*)

Now faith, hope, and love abide; and the greatest of these is love.

Opening Prayer

Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom by giving your kingdom to the lowly and pure in heart. Give us an unsatiable hunger for justice and unquenchable thirst for peace, that we may cling, in the world, to the promise of your kingdom and the world may see, in us, your presence and promise; 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

God of abundant life, your grace is our daily bread. Nourish us by your Word and fill us with your Spirit, so that we may grow in faith and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading:

[Romans 5:1-5](#)

Sermon:

[Never Give Up, Never Give In](#)

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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Receive our prayer in the tenderness of your mighty hand and keep us forever in the safety of your outstretched arm.

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

To Jesus Christ, who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood and made us to be a kingdom, priest of his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

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

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**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 (1/31/21) + + +

Prayer Requests

Ashton – health concerns
Ethan S. – protection & provision; awaiting
results of final court appeal
TeNisha – dialysis 5 days a week
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 – ongoing therapy to rehab her wrist
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 surgery
Darwin J. – seriously ill, in hospital
April – health
Kimra - health
Mike R. and family – health
Alexis – home from hospital; still dealing
with infections
Cindy – hernia surgery February 1
Matt – pneumonia and more

Praise Reports

Gratitude for answered prayers and abundant blessings

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!