

Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church First Sunday in Lent, Year B <u>http://www.lectionarypage.net/index.html</u> 21 February 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 collecting food items for the Greene County Food Bank.
- 3. 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. Timber Ridge held an online Ash Wednesday worship service. It was well-attended, and, other than some glitches with lagging video, it went well. Praise the Lord!
- 6. 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 (Romans 10:8, 13)

The word of God is near to us. Call on the Lord and you will be saved.

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, your Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin. Give us grace to direct our lives in obedience to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ the Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, our way in the wilderness, guide us, by your Word, through these forty days, and minister to us by your Holy Spirit, so that we may be reformed, restored, and renewd; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Scripture Reading:

Mark 1:9-13

Sermon:

Lenten Journey

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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God of love, as in Jesus Christ you gave yourself to us, so may we give ourselves to you, living according to your holy will.

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

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we bend our knees and lift up our hearts, giving glory to God forever. 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: February – canned soup

Samaritan's Purse: February – accessories

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Praver 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 Dovle E. - health Carroll H. - health Ed B. (Beth's dad) - health/well-being Ken & Inge H. - health Family & friends grieving deaths -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 Judy – health Anonymous family – needs prayers Andy – a difficult divorce Bennie – wrist continuing to heal 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 Alexis – home from hospital; still dealing with infections Cindy – recovering from surgery Matt – pneumonia and more Dana L.'s mom – late-stage cancer Amy – health & well-being Elie - recovering from a fall Vicki T. - cancer progressing; starting chemo

Praise Reports

Thankful for many who have been on our prayer list, in the Timber Ridge family and beyond, who have recovered from Covid

Grateful for vaccine development and that some Timber Ridge folks have received the shots

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!