

Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church Third Sunday in Lent, Year B <u>http://www.lectionarypage.net/index.html</u> 7 March 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...for now.
- 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. 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 5:5)

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit God's love is poured into our hearts.

Opening Prayer

Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, that we may become instruments of your saving love; 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 renewed; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Scripture Reading:

<u>1 Corinthians 1:18-25</u> Foolish Stumbling Block

Sermon:

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 heaven and earth, confident in your love and mercy we offer our prayers.

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

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing! 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: March – instant potatoes or rice Samaritan's Purse: March – quality crafts

+ + + + INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST (3/7/21) + + +

Prayer Requests

Ashton – health concerns Ethan S. - protection & provision; awaiting results of final court appeal TeNisha - in hospital and thankful for all the prayer warriors 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 -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

Katie – provision and guidance Those looking for work All aspects of the coronavirus pandemic Kathleen B. - health Anonymous family – needs prayers 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 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 Melanie R. – family issues All the students finishing out the school year, whether in school or online

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 Thankful that Darwin J. is home from the hospital and recovering well.

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!