



**Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church**  
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A  
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3 September 2017 at 10:45

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**+++ GATHERING +++**

### **Prelude**

### **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.

**And also with you.**

### **Announcements**

1. Session has authorized a love offering to assist a Timber Ridge person through a time of need. Mark your gift "love offering."
2. Church yard sale on Sept. 9, at the Edmondsons' house. Need items to sell as well as people to help.
3. It's that time of year again!! Our retreat days are fast approaching. Come join us for Faith, Fellowship and Fun in beautiful Banner Elk, North Carolina. It will be September 29 - October 1. If you would like to come please let Kimra know.
4. A new church directory is in the works. Please provide your current contact information to Betty Bird. Thanks!
5. If you would like to add a rock to the pile in the basket (either silently or sharing a few words) to celebrate God making his presence and faithfulness known in a special way, you are invited to do so during the announcement time.
6. We will have service/pot luck lunch at the pavilion on Sept. 7 at 10:45 where Olivia will be telling us about her trip to Scotland.
7. Lisa has communion today.
8. Women's group will meet Sept. 11. Beth will be hostess.

### **Choral Introit**

### **Call to Worship** (*Psalm 148:7-9, 13*)

Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths,

**Lightening and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding,**

You, mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars.  
**Let them praise the name of the LORD!**

### **Opening Prayer**

**O God, you are infinite, eternal and unchangeable, glorious in holiness, full of love and compassion, abundant in grace and truth. Your works everywhere praise you, and your glory is revealed in Jesus Christ our Savior. Therefore we praise you, blessed and holy Trinity, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

†**Hymn 175:** "Seek Ye First"

†**Call to Confession** (*1 John 1:8-9*)

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

†**Prayer of Confession**

**Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness and our offenses against you. You alone know how we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

†**Declaration of Forgiveness** (*2 Corinthians 5:17*)

Brothers and sisters, hear this good news: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation; the old life has gone, a new life is begun. Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

†**The Peace**

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another and share with one another the peace of Christ.

**+ + + LITURGY OF THE WORD + + +**

†**Prayer for Illumination** (*Hymn #452*)

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart;**

**I want to see you; I want to see you; (repeat)  
to see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory.  
Pour out your power and love as we sing “Holy, holy, holy.”  
Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy, I want to see  
you.**

**Scripture Reading:**

Matthew 26:69-75

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Choral Anthem**

**Sermon:**

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly

†**Affirmation of Faith** (*Apostles' Creed*)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**+ + + LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST + + +**

**Offering** (*Psalms 148:13*)

The LORD's name alone is exalted; his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

As God is generous in giving, let us also be generous in sharing. Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth.

†**Doxology** (*Tune #606*)

**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.**

†**Invitation to the Lord's Table**

†**Great Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right...

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

You are holy, O God of majesty, ...

According to his commandment:

**We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.**

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit...

...All glory and honor are yours, triune God--Father, Son, and Holy Spirit--now and forever.

**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.**

**Words of Institution**

**Communion of the People**

**Prayer after Communion**

**God of grace, you have given us minds to know you, hearts to love you, and voices to sing your praise. Fill us with your Spirit, that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**+ + + SENDING + + +**

**†Hymn 22: "God of the Sparrow"**

**†Charge and Blessing**

**†Congregational Response:**

**May the road rise to meet you; may the wind blow at your back;  
may the sun shine warmly on your face;  
may the rain fall softly on your fields;  
and until we meet again, until we meet again,  
may God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.**

**Postlude**

† Please rise in body or in spirit.

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Contact information for Rev. Dr. Christine T. Bohn, Interim Pastor:  
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The congregation of Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church extends a warm welcome to all who are joining in worship this morning for the first time or the first time in a long time. Our prayer is that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge--that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God (Ephesians 3:17-19).

## + + + INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST (9/3/17) + + +

### Prayer Requests

Sandra Carter - healing from cancer  
Johanna - wisdom and provision  
Lori Askew - treatment began 6/26  
Negetha - healing  
Ethan Self - truth/justice in appeal process  
Susan Roberts  
Glenwood Elementary School community  
Ken Martin - cancer  
Jerry Cohen - cancer

Outreach events ("Feed My Sheep")  
Nick Vallie - health  
College students heading to school  
Amanda - miscarriage on 8/19  
Joyce W. - health  
Zelma's family near Houston & all those  
affected by Hurricane Harvey  
Elizabeth (Sandra's mother) - transitioning  
to nursing home

### Praise Reports

Jerry Cohen is back at home now.  
Johanna is celebrating an interval of relative calm & giving thanks for help from many sources.  
New tables in fellowship hall (gift from Frances Brumley's memorial fund)

\*\*\*A prayer request will generally be kept on the printed list for two weeks, unless there is a specific request that it continue.

### + + Glenwood Outreach + +

- "Lord, what is it you want TRPC to do?" and "How shall we feed your sheep?" Your prayers, ideas, donations, and action are needed.

### ++ Food Bank item: Sept. is pasta.

Box in narthex. ++

### ++ Samaritan's Purse: Sept. is small games. Box in narthex. ++

### ++ Events ++

- **Church Yard Sale** - Saturday, September 9, at the Edmondson's house. Need items to sell and people to help.

- **Presbyterian Women** - Next meeting, Monday, September 11, 7pm. Joyce to host.
- **Olivia's Mission Report from Scotland & Potluck Luncheon at the pavilion** - 10:45 , Sunday, September 17.
- **Church Retreat** - Friday, September 29 - Sunday, October 1.
- **Intercessory Prayer Group**, Thursday afternoons at 1:00, in the fellowship hall. Do you have a heart for prayer? Please join in. Do you have a prayer request? Please share your request during worship today or leave a written note in the offering plate.
- **Sunday School**, 9:30am, in the fellowship hall; studying the Book of Acts.

