



The Angel Tree Project provides Christmas gifts for needy children to help them know the joy that the season brings. This year we have adopted a family in Fairfield with four children ages 3 through 10. This family has identified specific needs and wants for each child. Look for the Angel Tree in the sanctuary starting on Sunday, November 22nd.

Pick a tag from the tree and purchase your gift as stated on the wooden bell-shaped ornament. Return your gift unwrapped to the Angel Tree with the ornament attached. All gifts are due by Sunday, December 13th. Gifts will then be delivered to Fairfield Elementary School for distribution to the chosen family. This is a wonderful way to express our generosity and give hope and cheer to a family in our community.

The Journey

Walking the Road
to **Bethlehem**

Beginning Sunday, November 22nd, our church will offer a five-week study you won't want to miss: "The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem." In the study, Adam

Hamilton travels with us from Nazareth to Bethlehem in this fascinating look at the birth of Jesus Christ. Using historical information, archaeological findings, and personal reflections, Hamilton illuminates this most amazing moment in history. We follow the footsteps of Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, and others, gaining insight into our own journeys with Christ.

We will meet each Sunday in Advent at 9:30 AM be either Zoom Video Conference or meeting safely in the church sanctuary where the program will be broadcast on the large screen. There will be light refreshments and cider, hot chocolate, coffee and juice available in the Sunday School room before and after class. Worship begins at 11AM.

Timber Ridge PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Old Stone Church"

Est. 1746



Timber Ridge "Old Stone" Presbyterian Church
c. 1755

NOVEMBER 15, 2020
24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

—
Rev. Patrick Lanaghan
Christian Education: 9:30 AM
Worship: 11:00 AM

*Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church
is a community of believers in God;
the Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit;
desiring to praise & worship our Risen Lord
in a learning, loving and healing environment.*

Member of the Shenandoah Presbytery,
Synod of the Mid-Atlantic, and the Presbyterian Church (USA)

Call to Worship —

LEADER: Come, God's people. Come with your difficulties.

PEOPLE: We come with our troubles because this is a place of healing.

LEADER: Come, too, with your successes.

PEOPLE: We come with our joys for this is a place of celebration.

LEADER: Come with your sins as well.

PEOPLE: We come as we are for this is a place of forgiveness and hope.

ALL: We come to worship our Risen Lord!

Invocation—Opening Prayer

O Heavenly Father, as we have gathered in this holy place in the presence of each other and of the Risen Lord, we ask that your light will bring understanding in every mind; that your grace will bring peace in every heart; and that your vision for saving our troubled world will ignite every imagination. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

***Hymn of Praise 790** “We Gather Together”

† **Psalter:** Psalm 123:1-4

Anthem —TRPC Choir

Prayer of Confession – In Unison

Lord, we confess that we have fallen short of your expectations of us, and by our works we can never be justified. By faith alone we dare to stand before you now and ask your forgiveness. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
[Time of silent prayer and reflection] Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

God's love is greater than our understanding. That love is continually given to each and every one of us. Rejoice! God's forgiving love is poured out for you now and always. Believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

*The peace of Christ is from everlasting to everlasting.
May the peace of Christ be with you all.*

And also with you.

*Sharing Signs of Peace and Reconciliation in Christ

***Congregational Response 813** *Gloria Patri*
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

Gathering of the Young Church

*(Children ages 2 to 8 are dismissed to Children's Church)
(Children's Church Leader—Linda Kuehne)*

Prayer for Illumination

† **Second Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

***Hymn 225** “Come Christians, Join to Sing”

† **Gospel Reading:** Matthew 25:14-30

Sermon “The joy of the Master” Rev. Patrick Lanaghan

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Offering

*** Affirmation Faith —Apostles' Creed**

*** Hymn of Service 342** “Rock of Ages”

*** Charge & Blessing**

*** Postlude**

The last day to order is TODAY!

If you would like to place a poinsettia in our sanctuary during Advent in honor or in memory of a loved one, please call Sylvia Henry at 540-377-2756 or see Mike Henry at church to place an order. The price is \$11.00



The Flower Committee will be preparing the sanctuary for the Advent Season on December 4, beginning at 11 AM. If you have greenery that you would like to donate for these window decorations, please contact Julie Lipscomb, 463-6809. If you would like to help with the preparations, please join us for this fun event.