

March 12 2023  
3rd Sunday in Lent



St. Timothy Presbyterian Church  
16700 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154  
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Office Hours:  
Monday-Thursday: 9:30 am to 2:30 pm  
Friday: 9:30 am to 12:00 pm  
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Staff  
Pastor - Joel Puntigam  
Music Director & Accompanist – Tim Falk  
Office Manager – Shelly Walldorff

St. Timothy Mission Statement  
Empowered by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to: seek God, follow Christ, serve and love our neighbor.

Worship is also available via Live Stream just before 10:30 am or later in the afternoon as a video. Just use this link for both options:  
<https://video.sttimothycusa.org>

# Welcome!

PRELUDE

INTROIT “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” Mason

PASTORAL WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 95:6

O come, let us worship and bow down;

**Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.**

The hour is coming and is now here.

**In spirit and truth, let us worship God!**

HYMN “Blessed Assurance” see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

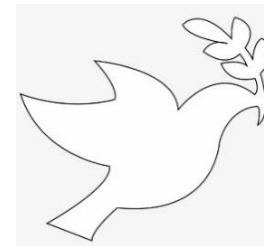
SILENT CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, you know who we are. You know everything we have done. We thirst for things that will never satisfy us. We commit ourselves to things that will never last. We worship things that will never bring salvation. Still, you offer us the gift of living water. Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life. Forgive us, O Lord, and give us this living water, so that we may never thirst again. Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

This is the good news of God’s grace: though we were sinners, Christ died for us. Though we were enemies of God, God loved us. Once we were lost and dead— now Christ has become our life and salvation. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God!**



RESPONSE "Gloria Patri" # 623  
*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.*

A MOMENT FOR ILLUMINATION

Leader: Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet, and a Light unto my path.

**People: Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet, and a Light unto my path.**

FIRST GOSPEL READING: John 4:5-24

SPECIAL MUSIC "It Is Well with My Soul" Beck

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Tina Puntigam

SECOND GOSPEL READING John 4:25-42

SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam  
"His Words Bring Life"

HYMN "My Faith Has Found a Resting Place" see insert

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Confession of 1967, cont.  
**The New Testament is the recorded testimony of apostles to the coming of the Messiah, Jesus of Nazareth, and the sending of the Holy Spirit to the Church. The Old Testament bears witness to God's faithfulness in his covenant with Israel and points the way to the fulfillment of God's purpose in Christ. The Old Testament is indispensable to understanding the New, and is not itself fully understood without the New.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley" Wagner

Doxology # 625  
*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

**O Lord, you are our God; we are the people of your pasture, the sheep of your hand. As you have fed us by your mercy, may it be our daily bread to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CALL TO PRAYER

*Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send Your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to Your children praying, Send us love, Send us pow'r, Send us grace.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.**

HYMN "Be Still and Know" see insert

SENDING AND BENEDICTION

**Empowered by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to: seek God, follow Christ, serve and love our neighbor.**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Lord, who through-out these forty days for us did fast and pray, Teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.*

POSTLUDE

*\*Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year A, Volume 1.*



**Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Following Along in Worship**

1. Today we celebrate the third Sunday in Lent. What did we learn last week?
  - a. Lent means that we can do whatever we want
  - b. Rebirth by the Spirit of God
  - c. Snickerdoodles are great cookies
  
2. Lent is meant to help us be a better follower of Jesus. What can you do to follow Jesus in your life?
  
  
3. Today's children sermon was about:
  - a. Pizza is like our faith
  - b. Butterfly Offering!
  - c. *Lucky Charms* cereal is the best!
  
4. What does going to church mean to you?
  
  
5. In the sermon, Pastor Joel will teach on Jesus and the woman at the well from John 4. Circle all that are true about this passage:
  - a. Jesus asked the woman for food
  - b. Jesus asked the woman for water
  - c. Jesus offered the woman living water
  - d. Living water is water that is alive
  - e. Living water is eternal life given by the Spirit
  - f. Jesus also offers food to eat
  - g. This food is falafel and shawarma.
  - h. This food is doing the will of God
  - i. Our hunger and thirst are met by Jesus

**Serving in Worship This Morning**

Greeter:	Dennis Delezenne
Ushers:	Mary Baum, Patty Kreitmeyer
Worship Assistant:	Kathy Turnbull
Children's Chapel:	Karlane Belaire, Linda Houghtby
Keyboard:	Paula Boegner
Technology:	Melanie Gumz
Safety Officer:	Lou Suveg
Tellers:	Paula Boegner plus one
Fellowship Hour:	Pi Day – bring your favorite round food

**Weekly Bible Studies**

**Adult Sunday Bible Study – approximately 12:15 pm**

We are studying Genesis. All are welcome!

**Zoom Bible Study – Monday at 12:00 pm**

We are studying a comparison of the Gospels

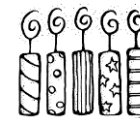
This is the link address to join: <https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org>

**Adult Weekly Bible Study, Thursday – 9:30 am**

Our study is on the passage that Pastor Joel will be preaching on March 19 – John 9:1-41.



**Celebrating**



**Birthday:**

March 13

Dorothy Sanchez

**Anniversaries**

March 6 (Belated)

Bill & Marcie Shiels  
(30 years!)

**UPCOMING**  
*Events*

April 6 – Maundy Thursday – St. Paul’s  
April 7 – Good Friday – Rosedale Gardens  
April 10 – Early Outdoor Service, Deacon Breakfast,  
Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Worship Service



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**2023 Giving Envelopes Delayed**

Please note that our print vendor has notified us of a delay in printing our 2023 envelopes and we currently do not have an estimated time of delivery. Substitute envelopes are available on the usher stand, please write your name on the envelope.

We are monitoring the progress, and hope that it is resolved before March month-end.

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We are looking for a couple of people to help count the money. No need to work on the computer if you don’t want to. Just help count the money and help keep things organized. Please reach out to Paula Boegner if you can help.

**Announcing a 24-hour Prayer Vigil**

Who’s ready to pray?

From 12pm on Friday, March 24 to  
12pm on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

The Mission and Outreach Committee along with the Deacons are hosting a 24- hour prayer vigil at St Timothy. The vigil will begin with a 30-minute prayer service on Friday, after which participants will return to their homes or work to pray when their slot comes up. Prayer slots of 30 minutes each are available, and you do not need to come to the opening prayer service to be able to pray. We will reconvene at 11:30am on Saturday to close the vigil, which will be followed by a luncheon. The two prayer services will be held in the sanctuary, and specific prayers will be given to all those praying at home. Please look for the signup in the narthex, and if you have any questions please ask Mary, Dennis, Kathey, or Pastor Joel. With God’s help we hope to fill all 48 prayer slots!



Look forward to a Deacon Fellowship Hour in the near future!

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The Mission and Outreach committee is sponsoring a community Easter egg hunt on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00. We are looking for volunteers to help organize and set up outside after worship. There is a sign up in the fellowship hall. Also, we are accepting donations of candy and small toys. See Mary Baum with any questions.



## IT'S GIRL SCOUT COOKIE TIME!

Jillian would like to be your Girl Scout cookie supplier again this year. Please see her at church to place your order, or visit her web page at:

<https://DigitalCookie.GirlScouts.org/scout/jillian7392>  
Select the Girl Delivery option and she will personally deliver your order directly to you. Don't delay -- please order today!

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## An Intimate Night of Music

\$20.00 - \$20.00 including fees



Our own Tim Chanko is participating in this event at Village Theater of Canton. March 16, 17 & 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm...March 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm.

<https://ci.ovationtix.com/36533/production/1151906?performancelid=11236281>

Box Office: 734-394-5300

You are cordially invited to the wedding of the century! Follow the love story of 3 couples (bride and Groom, Maid of Honor and Best man, and the two female guests) from their youth to current day at the wedding using everyone's favorite musical songs from show like Grease, Momma Mia, Anything Goes, Gypsy and many more! Which couples are still together, who decided to be friends, who falls out of love? Come find out.



Matt Johnson’s event schedule for Detroit Lutheran Singers:

From Matt: “we had our first Lutheran Singers rehearsal last night and got the schedule of concerts. Because the concerts are after Easter the title of the concerts is "Now the Green Blade Rises" and deals with how people and the earth interact with the concept of heaven. Really good music and I don't think there are any pieces not in English so I think a lot of people will enjoy that”.

**Sat. 4/22/2023** at 7:00 PM  
 Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian  
 9601 Hubbard St. Livonia 48150

**Sun. 4/23/2023** at 3:00 PM  
 St. John Lutheran Church and School  
 16339 E. 14 Mile Rd. Fraser 48026

**Sat. 4/29/2023** at 7:00 PM  
 St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
 22915 Greater Mack Ave. St. Clair Shores 48080

**Sun. 4/30/2023** at 3:00 PM  
 Lutheran Church of the Redeemer  
 1800 W. Maple Rd. Birmingham 48009

Tickets can be bought at the concert venue or on the website:  
<https://detroitlutheransingers.com/>

General Admission \$15.00  
 Students/Seniors \$10.00  
 Children 12 and under free

## Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday	11:30 AM	Fellowship Hour
3/12	12:15 PM	Adult Bible Study
Monday	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
3/13		<a href="https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org">https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org</a>
	6:30 PM	TOPS
Tuesday	6:45 & 8:15 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
3/14		202-926-1029 - access code 235645
	9:00 AM	STARS
	3:00 PM	Worship Committee
Wednesday	10:00 AM	Janet Richardson Gathering
3/15		
Thursday	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
3/16	5:55 PM	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday		
3/17		
Saturday		
3/18		
Sunday	10:30 AM	Family Worship
3/19		<a href="https://video.sttimothypcusa.org">https://video.sttimothypcusa.org</a>
	11:30 AM	Fellowship Hour
	12:15 PM	Adult Sunday School

### A Favorite Hope Scripture

#### 1 Thessalonians 1:3

We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by **hope** in our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Blessed Assurance**

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight!  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels descending bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission—all is at rest,  
I in my Savior am happy and blest;  
Watching and waiting, looking above  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.

### **My Faith Has Found a Resting Place**

*My faith has found a resting place—Not in device or creed:  
I trust the Ever living One—His wounds for me shall plead.  
I need no other argument, I need no other plea;  
It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me.*

*Enough for me that Jesus saves—This ends my fear and doubt;  
A sinful soul I come to Him—He'll never cast me out.  
I need no other argument, I need no other plea;  
It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me.*

*My heart is leaning on the Word—The written Word of God:  
Salvation by my Savior's name—Salvation thru His blood.  
I need no other argument, I need no other plea;  
It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me.*

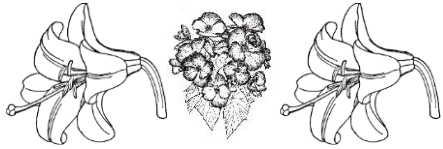
*My great Physician heals the sick—The lost He came to save;  
For me His precious blood He shed—For me His life He gave.  
I need no other argument, I need no other plea;  
It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me.*

### **Be Still and Know**

*Be still and know that I am God.  
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*I am the Lord that healeth thee.  
I am the Lord that healeth thee.  
I am the Lord that healeth thee.*





## Easter Flowers

Jesus alludes to the beauty of the flowers in his Sermon on the Mount, reminding his listeners that King Solomon with all of his riches, was not dressed as beautifully as the lilies of the field.

If you would like to add beauty to our Easter celebration, we invite you to purchase a plant or two and then take them home after Easter Service.

*Please make check payable to  
St. Timothy Presbyterian Church.*

*Note: Please fill in the form below, include payment and leave it on the desk in the church office or the top tray outside of the office door. Please **do not** place your order in the offering. Another option is to send the order directly to the church office.*

### **Order deadline is March 12**

**Cost per flower - \$15.00**

Quantity

Lilies \_\_\_\_\_

Rieger Begonias \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Cost** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Flowers are donated by: \_\_\_\_\_

*in memory of* \_\_\_\_\_

*in honor of* \_\_\_\_\_

*in thanksgiving for* \_\_\_\_\_