

March 26 2023
5th Sunday in Lent



St. Timothy Presbyterian Church
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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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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

“Were You There?”

PASTORAL WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Ezekiel 37:1,13-14

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones.

This is what the Sovereign LORD says: O my people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel.

Then you, my people, will know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and bring you up from them.

I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the LORD have spoken, and I have done it, declares the LORD.

HYMN

“Be Thou My Vision”

see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, if you held our sin against us, who could live, who could stand? We seem to have more faith in death than hope in your promise of life. We believe that death will come for us all, but life after death eludes our understanding. Even so, you love us; still there is forgiveness with you! Therefore, we worship you; for you alone, O Lord, can save us from death and redeem us from our sin. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! If Jesus Christ dwells in you, the Spirit of God will be your life and the grace of God will be your righteousness. And if the Holy Spirit dwells in you, then God, who raised Jesus from the dead, will also give life to your mortal bodies. Friends, this is the good news of the gospel: 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 11:1-16

SPECIAL MUSIC "Pilate's Dream"
Andrew Lloyd Webber, from Jesus Christ Superstar

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Kathey Turnbull

SECOND GOSPEL READING John 11:17-44

SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam
"New Life to Dry Bones"

HYMN "What Wondrous Love" see insert

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Confession of 1967, cont.
The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong.



PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory "Pilgrim's Chorus" 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

Holy God, giver of life, we thank you for raising us up and joining us together as one people, your people, flesh and bone in the body of Christ. As you have delivered us from death, use our lives to proclaim the good news of new life in 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 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" see insert

SENDING AND BLESSING

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 26th
Following Along in Worship

1. Today we celebrate the fifth Sunday in Lent. What did we learn last week?
 - a. Dietrich Bonhoeffer is awesome!
 - b. Jesus is a Rock Star
 - c. Jesus heals our spiritual blindness
 - d. Babies are beautiful

2. Lent is meant to help us believe in Jesus. What can you do to show that you believe in him?

3. What was the children's sermon about?
 - a. Hamburgers are tasty
 - b. Hawaii is beautiful
 - c. Raising the dead to life

4. What are you looking forward to most about Palm Sunday?

5. In the sermon, Pastor Joel will teach from John 11:1-45. Circle all that are true about this passage:
 - a. When Jesus didn't come, Lazarus was still ok
 - b. When Jesus didn't come, Lazarus died
 - c. Martha was very upset that Jesus did not come
 - d. Jesus told Martha her brother would stay dead
 - e. Jesus told Martha that Lazarus would rise again
 - f. Jesus cannot help us or heal us
 - g. Jesus can help us for he is the resurrection/life
 - h. Jesus is all we need to live

Serving in Worship This Morning

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| Greeter: | Marilyn Taulbee |
| Ushers: | Ron Martin, Lou Suveg |
| Worship Assistant: | Margaret Barsch |
| Children's Chapel: | Karlane Belaire, Linda Houghtby |
| Technology: | Tina Puntigam |
| Safety Officer: | Scott Gaines |
| Tellers: | Kim Gaines, Bob Taylor |
| Fellowship Hour: | Patty Kreitmeyer |

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 April 2 – Matthew 27:11-54.



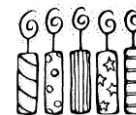
Chancel Flowers



In gratitude for all our St. Tim friends.

Rich & Karlane Belaire

Celebrating



Birthday:

March 27

March 30

March 31

Anniversaries

Kimmy Taylor

Ava Woodard

Trish Abela

No anniversaries this month

UPCOMING
Events

April 2 – Community Easter Egg Hunt
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
April 29 – Church Clean Up (am) & Friendship Club
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Offering Envelopes
They. Are. Here.
In. The. Narthex
Please. Get. Your. Box.



Fellowship hour is a special time for all of us. We enjoy catching up with each other and sharing some snacks, desserts and pastries. If you would like to help with fellowship, sign up on the board in the fellowship hall. You don't have to do it alone. Find a friend to help you. Share your favorite recipe. Maybe you have a suggestion for a fun fellowship hour.



The Mission and Outreach committee is sponsoring a community Easter egg hunt on Sunday, April 2nd 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.



People in Need

For many years friends and members have given money to the "People in Need" fund. These funds have historically been managed by Pastor Joel and Shelly. The fund helps people in need here in the church and those that are brought to us. The fund once had thousands of dollars but over the years has dwindled down to about \$300. Please consider helping this ministry continue.



On Saturday, April 29th from 4-6pm the Mission and Outreach Committee is having another Friendship club event. We will have a pizza dinner along with games and music. The residents of the homes will be putting on a talent show. If you would like to be a part of this special time there is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall. Any questions, reach out to Mary Baum.



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
3/26	12:15 PM	Adult Bible Study
Monday	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
3/27		https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org
	6:30 PM	TOPS
Tuesday	6:45 & 8:15 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
3/28		202-926-1029 - access code 235645
	9:00 AM	STARS
	6:30 PM	Kindred Spirits Quilting Guild
Wednesday		
3/29		
Thursday	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
3/30	5:55 PM	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday		
3/31		
Saturday	All Day	Kindred Spirits Quilting Guild
4/1		
Sunday	10:30 AM	Family Worship - Palm Sunday
4/2		https://video.sttimothyPCUSA.org
	11:30 AM	Fellowship Hour
	12:15 PM	Adult Sunday School

A Favorite Hope Scripture
Matthew 12:21
 In his name the nations will put their **hope**.

Be Thou My Vision

*Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.*

*Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

*Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.*

*High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.
Amen*

What Wondrous Love Is This

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.*

*When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down Beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.
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*To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb Who is the great 'I Am,'
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.*

*And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And thro' eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And thro' eternity I'll sing on.*

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

*When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most—
I sacrifice them to His blood.*

*See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small:
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.*