

August 6, 2023  
10th Sunday after Pentecost



St. Timothy Presbyterian Church  
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Office Hours:  
Monday-Thursday: 9:30 am to 2:30 pm  
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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.sttimothypcusa.org>

# Welcome!

PRELUDE

INTROIT

PASTORAL WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 145:14-18

The LORD upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.

**The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the proper time.**

You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

**The LORD is righteous in all his ways and loving towards all he has made.**

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. Today, let us call upon the Lord in worship!

HYMN

“Jesus, Stand Among Us”

see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of compassion, we come humbled by our need to repent before you. We have wrestled all night with worry instead of resting in you. We have asserted our own goodness instead of awakening to yours. We have turned away those hungry for your help instead of trusting you and feeding them from your limitless supply of blessings. Forgive us, heal us, and help us to hold on to you. We call upon you for healing and pray all these things through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Here is good news for everyone: God is gracious, merciful, abounding in steadfast love, and gives us forgiveness and grace. We do not have to earn it with sacrifice because it is a free gift from a generous God! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**Amen and Alleluia!**

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.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Deuteronomy 4:5-9

SPECIAL MUSIC “Above the Hills of Time” Strommen

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Greg Kateff & Mitchell Sautter

NEW TESTAMENT READING Ephesians: 4:2-4, 10-16

SERMON Greg Kateff  
“Church: The Value Proposition”

HYMN “Bind Us Together” see insert

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Confession of 1967  
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 God’s victory over all wrong.



PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory “The First Song of Isaiah”

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

**We thank you, our Father, that you have empowered us to participate in the miraculous ministry of your Son. Receive now these gifts you have provided us out of your abundance, that your ministry may multiply to satisfy the hungry of this world today; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CALL TO PRAYER

*Day by day, day by day, O, dear Lord, three things I pray: To see Thee more clearly, Love Thee more dearly, Follow Thee more nearly, Day by day.*

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 “Pass It On” see insert

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please step up to the microphone to make your announcement so everyone (including online guests) can hear what is being said.*

SENDING AND BLESSING

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

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and Keep you Forever, Grant you Peace, Perfect Peace, Courage in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and see God’s face and God’s grace Forever, May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and Keep you Forever.*

POSTLUDE

*\*Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year A, Volume 2.*



Greg Kateff – we are happy you are in the pulpit at St. Timothy today!

It has been said that people are born with a dominate personality. But the good Lord blessed me with two of these, one for work and one for play. At work I dress in a suit and tie and work with an analytic and serious purpose. I trained for this task having attained my BBA from the University of Michigan, CPA certification, MBA from the University of Detroit, Securities Series 7 License and credentialed as a Personal Financial Specialist. On the other hand, outside of work, at play, I can be a 5 year old just as easily as a 70 year old. I can be “Elvis”, for the Friendship Club, a Miracle League baseball announcer, a campfire guitar player-singer, a “Poppa” keeping pace with a 5 and 8 year old, and a cheerleader for just about any kind of social activity. The special gift God gave me was the gift of ENTHUSIASM! My personal motto is “when you work, work hard, and when you play, play hard”. My faith walk began in high school when I became a member of the Allen Park Presbyterian Church, but really took off from the day I met Karen. She was much younger but much more mature in her faith, and just about everything else.

God put us together in a one in a million chance meeting 50 years ago. She is truly the helper God said every man needs! Our family started attending St. Timothy in 1989. Through the years I've served as an Elder, Deacon, led Strategic Planning, sung in the choir, and taught new members classes. Personal blessings that immediately come to mind are, Karen, our son, Chris, and his family, wonderful parents, close personal friends, good health, and our St. Timothy family. It is my privilege to deliver this week's message, entitled, “Church: the Value Proposition”.

### **Serving in Worship This Morning**

Greeter:	Dennis Delezenne
Ushers:	Kathy Turnbull, Ron Martin
Worship Assistant:	Karlane Belaire
Vocal Soloist:	Bob Taylor
Keyboard:	Linda Delezenne
Technology:	Scott Gaines
Safety Officer:	Tim Chanko
Tellers:	Kim Gaines, Bob Taylor
Fellowship Hour:	Favorite Pasta Day

### **Weekly Bible Studies**

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

We are studying Genesis. All are welcome!

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

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 from the Liturgy - Matthew 14:22-33.



Chancel Flowers

7-30-2023 - For all work done in the Memorial Garden  
and wedding anniversaries!

Lou and Jean Suveg

8-6-2023 - Thanks to all who painted in the Memorial Garden  
last Saturday.

### Celebrating



**Birthday:**

August 12

Pam Harrington

**Anniversaries:**

July 31

Greg and Karen Kateff (47 years)

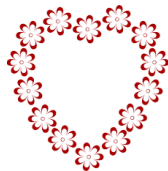
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**Sunday, August 13 – Worship in the Park**

**Wednesday evenings, July thru August – Campfire  
Worship**



### Memorial Garden Painting Day

Thanks to all who helped out and inside! If you get a minute, walk out and take a look at some of the updates in the Memorial Garden. It will only get more beautiful!



Do you have someone that is in need of prayer? Put their name on a prayer ribbon and tie it to the fence out front. Write your concerns and worries and give them to God. Give Him thanks and praises. The prayer ribbons are a spiritual and awesome sight to see fluttering in the wind. Ribbons are on the table in the main entry.



### **August 13, 2023 – next Sunday!**

**Time:** 10:15 AM

**Where:** Mies Park

32305 W. Chicago in Livonia (across from Rosedale Gardens)

**Offering:** will be designated to Eagles Helping Hands (food rescue mission) in Redford

**Bring:** a chair

**Lunch:** Jimmy John's, sides and dessert

**Churches:** St. Timothy, St. Paul's, and Rosedale Garden



Fellowship Hour is such a nice time to gather with everyone after service. Once a month, we are asking you to bring a specific food category if you are able. This is the current list:

- September 3 – Favorite Chinese Food

P.S. August 20th is your favorite Mexican Dish and August 27<sup>th</sup> is your favorite Brunch!



Tim Chanko is at it again. He is performing in “The Adams Family” at the Village Theater. Dates: September 15-17 & 22-24, Friday & Saturday at 7:30 pm, Sunday’s at 3:00 pm. There is a postcard on the wall in the Narthex which has all the information needed to purchase a ticket.



Say Cheese! It’s time for a new photo directory. This time we are trying something fun and different. Take a selfie while on vacation or while you are relaxing at home. Maybe in front of your favorite flowers or with your pet. Use your imagination. Close-up photos are better, we want to see your face(s). E-mail the photo to the church. If you need help we will take the photo for you. Any questions talk to Mary or Dennis.



**Campfire Worship**  
**Wednesday evenings in July and August**  
**Time: 7:00 pm**

- Plan on some testimonials
- Plan on bible discussion
- Enjoy singing with a new campfire book!



**Chrismon Workshop**

Please join us to make Chrismons for the children of our congregation and extended family. No previous experience is necessary. You will be provided instructions on how to assemble them at the workshops and will have others available for guidance.

We are meeting at the church on Thursday afternoons from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm. We have lots of fun and are able to create something memorable. Please join us.

Dorothy Sanchez and Carol Prevost



**Properties Update**

This last month we have gotten the rest of the air conditioners installed. The grass cutting and yard maintenance is back on schedule working around Mother Nature.

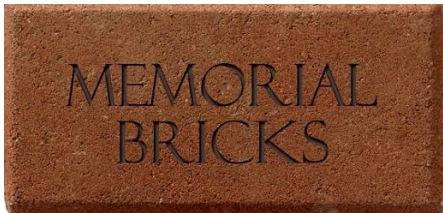
Thanks to STARS who took care of the large tree limbs that came down from the last storm.

The Memorial Garden workday was a success! The panels look great with the new tan color. Thanks to everyone who participated on that project!

May everyone have a safe and wonderful week,  
 Chris Korne

## Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday	11:30 AM	Fellowship Hour
8/6	12:15 PM	<i>Adult Bible Study</i>
Monday	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
8/7		<a href="https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org">https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org</a>
	3:00 PM	Faith Education
	6:30 PM	<i>TOPS</i>
Tuesday	9:00 AM	STARS
8/8		
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Mission & Outreach Committee
8/9		
Thursday	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
8/10	12:30 PM	Chrismons
Friday	6:00 PM	Special Olympics Cheerleading
8/11		
Saturday		
8/12	All Day	10 & 2 Driving
Sunday	10:15 AM	Worship in the Park
8/13	All Afternoon	10 & 2 Driving



### Memorial Garden Engraved Bricks

Order forms for engraved bricks are on the bulletin board. If you want to order a brick to memorialize someone you have loved, please fill out the form and submit it to the church office or to Karlane Belaire. The cost for each brick is \$35.00; please write “Brick” on the info line on the check. For your information, someone has already ordered a brick for Linda Osborne.



## **Jesus, Stand Among Us**

*Jesus, stand among us  
In Thy risen power;  
Let this time of worship  
Be a hallowed hour.*

*Breath the Holy Spirit  
Into every heart;  
Bid the fears and sorrows  
From each soul depart.  
Amen.*

## **Bind Us Together**

*Bind us together,  
Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.  
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together,  
Lord, bind us together in love.  
There is only one God, there is only one King;  
There is only one body, that is why we sing.  
Bind us together,  
Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.  
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together,  
Lord, bind us together in love.*

## **Pass It On**

*It only takes a spark to get a fire going,  
And soon all those around can warm up in its glowing;  
That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it:  
You spread His love to ev'ry-one, you want to pass it on.*

*What a wondrous time is spring- when all the trees are budding,  
The birds begin to sing, the flowers start their blooming;  
That's how it is with God's love, once you're experienced it:  
You want to sing, it's fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.*

*I wish for you, my friend, this happiness that I've found-  
You can depend on Him, it matters not where you're bound;  
I'll shout it from the mountain top, I want my world to know:  
The Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.*