

September 17, 2023
16th Sunday after Pentecost



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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Pastor - Joel Puntigam
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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 103:1,11

People of God, bless the Lord,

Bless God's holy name.

For as the heavens are high above the earth,

So great is God's steadfast love for us.

HYMN

“Open Our Eyes”

see insert

(sung twice)

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we confess that we have failed to live in harmony with our sisters and brothers. We have been self-righteous in our attitudes, closed-minded in our beliefs, and judgmental in our opinions. We have shunned those whose ways we do not understand, and we have despised those who do not endorse our convictions. Forgive our sins of discord and conceit, and heal our divisiveness and quarreling. Help us to be charitable in our regard for others that we may dwell in peace with Christ, who is Lord of all. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Children of God, our sins are forgiven. God is merciful and gracious and is Lord of us all. Reconciled to the God who loves us, let us live and love through Christ our Lord.

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: Psalm 100

SPECIAL MUSIC "Love Through Me" Mosie Lister

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Linda Houghtby

EPISTLE READING Philippians 1:12-26

SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam

"Loving Like Jesus"

HYMN "All I Need Is You" see insert

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Shorter Catechism*

Q6: How many persons are there in the Godhead?

A: There are three Persons in the Godhead: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

Q9: What is the work of creation?

A: The work of creation is God's making all things out of nothing, by the word of his power, in the space of six days, and all very good.



PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

Almighty God, receive these gifts that we offer with grateful hearts and use our lives for the ministry of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. 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 "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" 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 BENEDICTION

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

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
we go in Jesus' name to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim.*

POSTLUDE

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

**Sunday, September 17th
Following Along in Worship**

1. Last week we talked about how God:
 - a. Who began a good work in us...
 - i. Won't ever complete it!
 - ii. Will complete it
 - b. Until...
 - i. The Lions win a Super Bowl
 - ii. Jesus Returns
2. What good work is God doing in you that has not yet be completed?
3. What was the Time for the Children about today?
 - a. What matters most
 - b. Red Rover, Red Rover, Come on Over
 - c. The Art of Horticulture
4. What matters most to God, and why?
5. In the sermon, Pastor Joel will teach from Philippians 1:12-26. Circle all that are true:
 - a. Because Paul is in chains, he:
 - i. Is so, so mopey
 - ii. He is glad to suffer for Christ
 - b. Paul is totally jealous of all those preachers
 - c. Paul doesn't care – as long as the Gospel is preached
 - d. Because of Jesus, Paul believes:
 - i. That to live is all about Jesus
 - ii. To live is all about the benjamins
 - iii. To die will lead to reincarnation
 - iv. To die is to gain Jesus
 - e. So Paul lives not for himself, but for the Lord

Serving in Worship This Morning

Greeter:	Karlane Belaire
Ushers:	Youth
Worship Assistant:	Jillian Sautter
Soloist:	David Olko, Jr.
Keyboard:	Paula Boegner
Technology:	Tina Puntigam
Safety Officer:	Dennis Delezene
Tellers:	Kim Gaines, Paula Boegner
Fellowship Hour:	Mission & Outreach

Weekly Bible Studies

Adult Sunday Bible Study – approximately 12:15 pm.

We are studying Exodus in Room 14. All are welcome!

Zoom Bible Study – 12:00 pm on Monday

We are studying the book of James.

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 September 24 – Philippians 1:27-2:4.



Chancel Flowers



For our families and Rick's healing.

Joni and Rick Dunn

Celebrating



Birthdays:

September 17

September 23

Anniversaries:

September 18

Nancy Evans

Linda Houghtby

Chris and Marlene Korne
(52 years)

UPCOMING
EVENTS

Sunday, October 8 – Crop Walk

Sunday, October 15 – Youth Appreciation Sunday

Tuesday, October 17 – Ladies Frankenmuth Trip

Saturday, October 21 – Church Clean Up Day

Saturday, October 28 – Trunk or Treat

Saturday, November 12 – Friendship Club



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.



Crop Walk

Sunday October 8

Start: Garden City Presbyterian Church

Registration: 1:45 pm

Gathering: before walking – 2:00 pm

Walk: 1:45 pm

Let's try for 100% participation – either you walk or donate or both!



Thank you to the Puntigam's for the hospitality yesterday. It was great to see "what you have done with the place"!



Butterfly offering today!

Please consider donating some "soft" money to the Faith Education Committee. Look for the net just outside the sanctuary.



The Mission/Outreach Committee is hosting a community Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 28th from 4-6pm. This is always a time of great fellowship. Join the festivities and pass out goodies from your car. Donations of candy will be needed. There is a sign up in the fellowship hall. After the event, dinner will be served to those who helped out with the event.



Tim Chanko is at it again. He is performing in “The Adams Family” at the Village Theater. Dates: September 17th, 22nd, 23rd and 24th, Friday & Saturday at 7:30 pm, Sunday at 3:00 pm. There is a postcard on the wall in the Narthex which has all the information needed to purchase a ticket.

Church Photo Directory



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.



Fellowship Hour is such a nice time to gather with everyone after service. A few special days for the fall:

- October 1 – Octoberfest, bring a German dish
- October 22 – Bring a dish that starts with your first or last initial
- November 5 is “whatever goes” - bring what you want



We want to let you know about an exciting opportunity that can help make a difference in the lives of those who are struggling. The People in Need fund was created specifically to support individuals and families who are in urgent need of financial assistance due to reasons such as job loss, illness, or family emergencies.

Through your generous contributions, we can make a significant impact in the lives of those who face difficult times. As we all know, even a little help can go a long way in providing hope and support to those in need. So, please consider making a donation to support the People in Need fund. Your contribution, no matter how small, will be greatly appreciated and will directly help those in need.

Thank you for your time and support. Together, we can make a difference!

Your Mission and Outreach Committee



Bulletin

Please submit any information for the Sunday bulletin the prior Monday. That may seem early, but it gives us time to work the document and then send it out for proofing Tuesday. We then print the bulletins on Thursday afternoons which again may be early, but if the printer needs to be serviced, we have that extra day. It is a process and thank you for understanding.

Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday	10:30 AM	<i>Family Worship</i>
9/17	11:30 AM	Fellowship Hour
	12:15 PM	<i>Adult Bible Study</i>
Monday	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
9/18		https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org
	6:00 PM	<i>TOPS</i>
Tuesday	6:45 & 8:15 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
9/19		202-926-1029 - access code 235645
	9:00 AM	<i>STARS</i>
Wednesday		
9/20		
Thursday	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
9/21	5:55 PM	<i>Handbell Rehearsal</i>
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday		
9/22		
Saturday	All Day	10 & 2 Driving School
9/23		
Sunday	9:20 AM	Handbell Rehearsal
9/24	9:45 AM	<i>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</i>
	10:30 AM	Family Worship
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	11:30 AM	<i>Fellowship Hour</i>
	12:15 PM	<i>Adult Bible Study</i>



Open Our Eyes – sung twice

*Open our eyes, Lord,
we want to see Jesus,
to reach out and touch him,
and say that we love him.
Open our ears, Lord,
and help us to listen.
Open our eyes,
Lord, we want to see Jesus.*

All I Need Is You

*All I need is you,
Jesus, all I need is you.
You are the source of all I need.
All I need is you.*

*All I want is you,
Jesus, all I want is you.
You are the source of all I need.
All I want is you.*

*My only hope is you,
Lord, my only hope is you.
You are the source of all I need,
My only hope is you.*

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

*We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
we will work with each other, we will work side by side,
and we'll guard human dignity and save human pride;
And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*