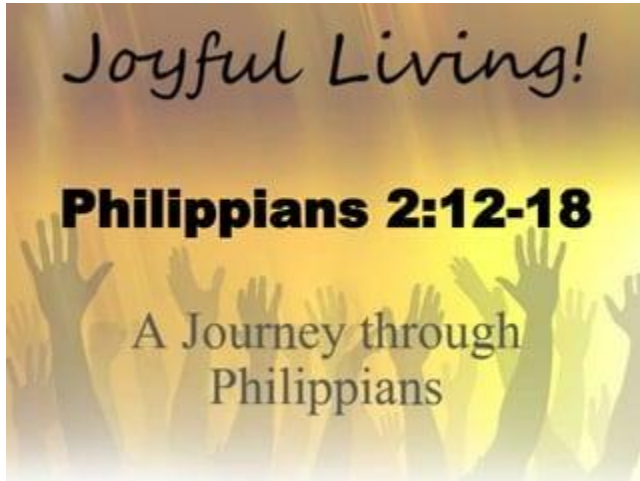


October 8, 2023
19th Sunday after Pentecost



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Music Director & Accompanist – Tim Falk
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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 “Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks Fishel

PASTORAL WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 19:1-4

The heavens declare the glory of God!

The skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Day after day they pour forth speech;

Night after night they display knowledge.

And yet their voice goes out through all the earth.

Let us join our voices with the voice of creation in declaring God’s glory!

HYMN “Open My Eyes, That I May See” see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you brought us out of the land of captivity, out of the house of slavery. Forgive us when we willingly return to slavery, crafting idols from the excess of consumption. Forgive us when we consider ourselves so grand that we do not rest and enjoy your presence, defining ourselves by our ability rather than your love. Forgive us through Christ, who redeems us from the brokenness of slavery that we might enjoy your presence, creation, and community. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, let us remember that righteousness does not come from our own doing. Righteousness comes from God, by faith. Therefore let us be assured that through the faithfulness of Christ, our Lord, 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.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 16:1-9

SPECIAL MUSIC "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" Traditional

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Tina Puntigam

EPISTLE READING Philippians 2:12-18

SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam
"The Joyous Work of Salvation"

HYMN "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" see insert

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Shorter Catechism*

Q21: Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

A: God, having out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

Q22: How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?

A: Christ, the Son of God, became man by taking to himself a true body and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, in the womb of Virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.

*Prayer of Dedication

We give you thanks and praise, O God, for all your good gifts, and above all, for the gift of knowing Christ our Savior. Strengthen us as we continue to strive for the heavenly prize that you offer: eternal and abundant life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Doxology # 625
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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We give you thanks and praise, O God, for all your good gifts, and above all, for the gift of knowing Christ our Savior. Strengthen us as we continue to strive for the heavenly prize that you offer: eternal and abundant life in 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

HYMN "Since Jesus Came into My Heart" 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

*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, October 8th
Following Along in Worship

1. What does it mean to be a Presbyterian?
 - a. We are led by elders and deacons
 - b. Everyone in the church can do whatever they want
 - c. It means we are all very, very old.

2. Last week we talked about having the same attitude as Jesus. How did he act and how can you follow?

3. What was the Time for the Children about today?
 - a. Go Lions, Go!
 - b. Here is the church, here is the steeple, open the doors, see all the people!
 - c. Do everything without grumbling.

4. In the sermon, Pastor Joel will teach from Philippians 2:12-18. Please circle all that are true:
 - a. We are to work on our salvation
 - i. In anger and frustration
 - ii. In awe and reverence
 - b. We are to do everything without
 - i. Grumbling
 - ii. Jump roping
 - iii. Arguing
 - iv. Laughing
 - c. We are to act like this so that:
 - i. We can get very wealthy
 - ii. We can be faultless and pure
 - d. Even if things go wrong for us
 - i. We should curse God
 - ii. We should rejoice, for God is good

5. The Shorter Catechism tells us how the Son of God became human. Do you think Jesus was both God and human? Why does it matter?

Serving in Worship This Morning

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|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Greeter: | Paul Moon |
| Ushers: | Mary Baum, Patty Kreitmeyer |
| Worship Assistant: | Matt Johnson |
| Keyboard: | Linda Delezenne |
| Technology: | Melanie Gumz |
| Safety Officer: | Kathey Turnbull |
| Tellers: | |
| Fellowship Hour: | Barsch & Baum |

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 October 15 – Philippians 2:19-30.



Chancel Flowers



Celebrating our 55th wedding anniversary!

Margaret Barsch

Celebrating



Birthdays:

October 13

Tommy Zabik

Anniversaries:

October 12

Margaret & Tom Barsch
(55 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

Sunday, 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: 2:00 pm

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



When: Tuesday October 17

Where: Frankenmuth

Time: Meet at the church at 8:30 am and leave by 9:00 am

Things to do: Bronner's Christmas Store, eat Chicken Dinner, shop downtown, take a boat ride – basically whatever you want to do with friends.

Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall



DATE: – Saturday, October 21

Time: 9:00 am until early afternoon

What: jobs inside and out!

Please bring: electric hedge trimmers, rakes, shovels and wheelbarrows (if you have them).

Enjoy...

- Fresh air, fellowship and exercise
- Donuts, coffee and lunch
- Job. Well. Done.



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.



2023 Chancel Flower Chart

We still have a few dates left for 2023. Please consider signing up for a Sunday or two. Adding some beauty and color to our sanctuary on Sunday mornings is so special!

The 2024 schedule will be available in November.

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 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	9:45 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
10/8	10:30 AM	<i>Family Worship</i>
	11:30 AM	Fellowship Hour
	12:15 PM	<i>Adult Bible Study</i>
	Afternoon	Crop Walk
Monday	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
10/9		https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org
	6:00 PM	<i>Men's Association at Kateff's</i>
	6:00 PM	TOPS
Tuesday	6:45 & 8:15 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
10/10		202-926-1029 - access code 235645
	9:00 AM	<i>STARS</i>
	4:00 PM	Worship Committee
Wednesday		
10/11		
Thursday	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
10/12	5:55 PM	<i>Handbell Rehearsal</i>
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday		
10/13		
Saturday		
10/14		
Sunday	9:45 AM	Music Rehearsal
10/15	10:30 AM	<i>Family Worship</i>
		https://video.sttimothypcusa.org
	11:30 AM	Fellowship Hour
	12:15 PM	<i>Adult Bible Study</i>

Open My Eyes, That I May

Open my eyes, that I may see
Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key,
That shall un-clasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear
Voices of truth Thou sendest clear;
And while the wave-notes fall on my ear,
Ev'rything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my ears, illumine me,
Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let it bear
Gladly the warm truth ev'rywhere;
Open my heart, and let me prepare
Love with Thy children thus to share,
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my heart, illumine me,
Spirit divine!
Amen.

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

O Master, let me walk with Thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me Thy secret; help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move
By some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the way-ward feet to stay,
And guide them in the home-ward way.
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Teach me Thy patience! Still with Thee
In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
In trust that triumphs over wrong;

In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broad-ening way,
In peace that only Thou canst give,
With Thee, O Master, Let me live.
Amen

Since Jesus Came into My Heart

What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought
Since Jesus came into my heart!
I have light in my soul for which long I have sought,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
Since Jesus came into my heart,
Since Jesus came into my heart,
Floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll,
Since Jesus came into my heart.

I have ceased from my wan-d'ring and going astray,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And my sins, which were man-y, are all washed away,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
Since Jesus came into my heart,
Since Jesus came into my heart,
Floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll,
Since Jesus came into my heart.

I shall go there to dwell in the City, I know,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And I'm happy, so happy, as onward I go,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
Since Jesus came into my heart,
Since Jesus came into my heart,
Floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll,
Since Jesus came into my heart.