

January 14, 2024
2nd Sunday after Epiphany



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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 “Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him”
Richard/Thompson

PASTORAL WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 33:6-9
By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, their starry host by the breath of his mouth.

He gathers the waters of the sea into jars; he puts the deep into storehouses.

Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the people of the world revere him.

For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.
Let us worship the LORD our God!

HYMN “Out of Deep, Unordered Water” see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you see into each of us and know us fully as creatures in need of your constant care. We confess that we have neither heard your word nor followed your will. We have failed our neighbors, families, friends, and ourselves. Give us ears to hear your wisdom. Lead us to honesty and faith so that we may begin again with renewed strength; in Jesus’ name. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

God knows the hearts of those who seek forgiveness, and by grace we have been saved. Our sins are no more and we have been made clean. In the name of Jesus, 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.

GOSPEL READING: John 1:1-5

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Kathey Turnbull

SPECIAL MUSIC "Light Of The World" (Sing Hallelujah)
Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash and Scott Cash

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 1:1-5

SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam
"Beginning"

HYMN "This Is My Father's World" see insert

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Shorter Catechism*

Q86: What is faith in Jesus Christ?

A: Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the gospel.

Q87: What is repentance that leads to life?

A: Repentance that leads to life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, does, with grief and hatred of sin, turn from it towards God, with full purpose of, and endeavor after, new obedience.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory "Kum Ba Yah" Page

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:

Bless in every way, O Lord, the gifts of the people given. Enrich the ministries of your people and make us grateful to be able to let go of the things we do not ultimately own. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

HYMN "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name" 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

We'll praise His name forever, We'll praise His name forever, We'll praise His name forever, Christ the Lord.

POSTLUDE

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

Sunday, January 14th
Following Along in Worship

1. Today is the:
 - a. The second Sunday in Advent
 - b. The second Sunday after Epiphany
 - c. The second Sunday in Lent
 - d. Ice Cream Sundae

2. What is Epiphany all about?
 - a. God is with us
 - b. God has left us all alone
 - c. When does Spring Training start?

3. What was the topic of today's time with the children? Circle the correct one:
 - a. Fishing is fun! And messy! And fun! And gross!
 - b. What are Chicken Nuggets really made of?
 - c. The beginning of everything

4. What are your take-aways from the children's message?

5. In the sermon, Pastor Joel taught from Genesis 1:1-5. Circle all that are true about this passage:
 - a. In the beginning, God created
 - i. Ice cream and hotdogs
 - ii. The heavens
 - iii. And the earth! How about that!
 - b. God also said:
 - i. Let there be baseball!
 - ii. Let there be light!
 - iii. And there was light!
 - c. Creation is so wonderful – God is amazing!

Serving in Worship This Morning

- Greeter: Karen Kateff
Ushers: Mary Baum, Patty Kreitmeyer
Worship Assistant: Margaret Barsch
Keyboard: Paula Boegner
Technology: Melanie Gumz
Safety Officer: Dennis Delezenne
Tellers: Paula Boegner, plus one
Fellowship Hour: Bring your favorite brunch dish

Weekly Bible Studies

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

We are doing “post sermon studies” in Room 14. All are welcome!

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

We continue our study on the book of Job.

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

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

We are studying the book of Luke.

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

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

Our study is on the passage that Pastor Joel will be preaching on January 21 – Genesis 1:26-31.



Prayer and Praise meets weekly on Tuesday mornings via phone and it is a great way to start your day. Details about joining are on the calendar (back page of bulletin).



Chancel Flowers

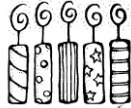


In honor of St. Timothy...

a church family filled with amazing grace and talents.

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Celebrating



Birthdays:

No birthdays this week

Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, January 15 – Life Line Screening

Wednesday, January 17 – Friendship Club Worship

Saturday, January 20 – Pack lunches for Hope Clinic

Sunday, February 25 – Annual Meeting

Sunday, March 3 – Potluck and Talent Show



Thanks to everyone for your donations to the warming tree.

The items are being donated to Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Ypsilanti which has a ministry dedicated to cold weather clothing.



MISSION AND OUTREACH

Upcoming events:

Saturday, January 20 – pack lunches for Hope clinic (moved from January 13)

January through February: Presbytery Toilet Paper Drive (Individually wrapped)

As we all know, toilet paper is an essential commodity in our daily lives that is often taken for granted. However, the sad reality is that there are many underprivileged families in our community who cannot afford toilet paper for their basic hygiene needs.

To help address this issue, We are organizing a toilet paper drive to collect donations for those in need. I would like to request your support to contribute towards this drive by donating individually wrapped toilet paper, or whatever dollar amount you can offer. All the donations will be provided to the Detroit Presbytery that serves the Detroit marginalized communities.

Your generosity will make a difference in someone's life and will help them maintain their dignity and hygiene.

Dennis



Friendship Club Worship Service

January 17 at 11:00 am.

Everyone is invited!



Properties Report – January 2023

Hello everyone,

Well, here we are into a new year. Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season.

As for building and property we are moving forward on many projects.

- The flooring contracts have been signed and the asbestos removal will begin mid to late February for one day and then the new flooring will begin in early March. The flooring will take several days. This will mean a little disruption to the church as we progress through this process, but hopefully we'll be able to keep it to a minimum. We thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.
- The kitchenette in the fellowship hall is moving ahead with the cabinets being assembled. The STARS are working now on getting the electric installed for the kitchenette refrigerator, microwave, coffee makers, etc. Next will be to install the cabinets after the floor is installed.

We are working diligently to keep this process on track with as little disruption as possible.

May everyone have a wonderful week and may GOD BLESS you all.

Chris Korne

Joy

Fellowship Hour “Joy” Scriptures

Psalm 9:2

“I will be glad and rejoice in you; I will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.”



Please provide your reports to the office by Sunday, February 4 so they can be ready for the annual meeting which will be on February 25th.



2024 Chancel Flower Chart

The new chart is on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Please consider signing up for a Sunday or two. Adding some beauty and color to our sanctuary on Sunday mornings is so special!

From Facebook: Possibly the most important thing you'll read this Year...

The following is the philosophy of Charles Schulz, the creator of the 'Peanuts' comic strip. You don't have to actually answer the questions. Just ponder on them. Just read it straight through, and you'll get the point.

1. Name the five wealthiest people in the world.
2. Name the last five Heisman trophy winners.
3. Name the last five winners of the Miss America pageant.
4. Name ten people who have won the Nobel or Pulitzer Prize.
5. Name the last half dozen Academy Award winners for best actor and actress.
6. Name the last decade's worth of World Series winners.

How did you do?

The point is, none of us remember the headliners of yesterday. These are no second-rate achievers. They are the best in their fields.

But the applause dies.

Awards tarnish ...
Achievements are forgotten.
Accolades and certificates are buried with their owners.

Here's another quiz. See how you do on this one:

1. List a few teachers who aided your journey through school.
2. Name three friends who have helped you through a difficult time.
3. Name five people who have taught you something worthwhile.
4. Think of a few people who have made you feel appreciated and special.
5. Think of five people you enjoy spending time with.

Easier?

The lesson:

The people who make a difference in your life are not the ones with the most credentials, the most money ... or the most awards. They simply are the ones who care the most.

Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday	9:20 AM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
1/14	9:45 AM	<i>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</i>
	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothypcusa.org
	11:30 AM	<i>Fellowship Hour</i>
	12:15 PM	Adult Bible Study
Monday	All Day	Life Line Screening
1/15	12:00 PM	<i>Zoom Adult Bible Study</i>
		https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org
	6:00 PM	TOPS
	6:30 PM	<i>Deacons</i>
Tuesday	6:45 & 8:15 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
1/16		202-926-1029 - access 235645
	9:00 AM	<i>STARS</i>
	12:15 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
		https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org
	6:30 PM	<i>Nominating & Personnel</i>
Wednesday	11:00 AM	Friendship Club Worship
1/17	12:30 PM	<i>Faith Circle</i>
Thursday	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
1/18	5:55 PM/7:00 PM	<i>Handbell/Chancel Choir</i>
Friday	6:00 PM	Special Olympics Cheer
1/19		
Saturday	8:30 AM	Men's Association Breakfast
1/20		
Sunday	9:45 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
1/21	10:30 AM	<i>Family Worship</i>
		https://video.sttimothypcusa.org
	11:30 AM	Fellowship Hour
	12:15 PM	<i>Adult Bible Study</i>

Out of Deep, Unordered Water

*Out of deep, unordered water
God created light and land,
world of bird and beast and,
later, in God's image, woman, man.
There is water in the river bringing life to tree and plant,
Let creation praise its giver, there is water in the font.*

*Water on the human forehead,
birthmark of the love of God,
is the sign of death and rising;
through the seas there runs a road.
There is water in the river bringing life to tree and plant,
Let creation praise its giver, there is water in the font.*

*Standing round the font
reminds us of the Hebrews' climb ashore.
Life is hallowed by the knowledge God
has been this way before.
There is water in the river bringing life to tree and plant,
Let creation praise its giver, there is water in the font.*

This Is My Father's World

*This is my Father's world, And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas—
His hand the wonders wrought.*

*This is my Father's world, The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, Declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass,
He speaks to me everywhere.
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*This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: The battle is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, And earth and heav'n be one.*

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name

*Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise
With one accord our parting hymn of praise;
Once more we bless Thee ere our worship cease;
With eager hearts we wait Thy word of peace.*

*Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way;
With Thee began, with Thee shall end the day;
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
That in this house have called upon Thy name.
Amen.*