

January 7, 2024
Baptism of the Lord



St. Timothy Presbyterian Church
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Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 9:30 am to 2:30 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.sttimothypcusa.org>

Welcome!

PRELUDE

INTROIT “I Danced in the Morning” Carter

PASTORAL WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP Jeremiah 31

Sing praise to God, who gathers us here;

From the ends of the earth we come.

With a word of promise, a spring of water, a loaf of bread, and a cup of wine,

God turns our mourning into dancing, our sorrow into joy.

HYMN “To God Be the Glory” see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you have given us everything; we have failed to respond with gratitude. In Jesus Christ, you have given us light and life; we try to hide ourselves from your glory. Have mercy on us, O God; forgive us. In Jesus Christ, give us the faith and power to become what you created us to be: beloved children, full of grace and truth. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

The waters of baptism are the sign and seal of our redemption: We have been called by God, claimed in Christ, set free through the Spirit. Believe this good news: 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.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

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 Genesis 1:1-5

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Tina Puntigam

SPECIAL MUSIC

GOSPEL READING Mark 1:1-11

SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam
“Baptized on the First Day”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Nicene Creed
We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son, is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

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 give you thanks, O God, for every blessing and spiritual gift you have poured out upon us. Let the gifts of our lives be a source of blessing in your world, all to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

HYMN “Let Us Break Bread Together” see insert

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

This month we will be celebrating the Lord’s Supper via Intinction. When all has been prepared, the congregation will be invited to come forward to receive the bread and the cup from a station in the front. After receiving the bread, dip it in into the cup. You may eat the bread immediately. Please then return to your seat for the duration of the celebration.

THE CELEBRATION

The Invitation

The Words of Institution

The Prayer of Consecration

The Bread

The Cup

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

HYMN “Another Year is Dawning” see insert

SENDING AND BEDICTION

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 7th
Following Along in Worship

1. If you can believe it, it's now 2024! What are you looking forward to this year?
2. This Sunday we celebrate Epiphany. What does Epiphany mean?
 - a. I have no idea - maybe it means sudden insight or understanding?
 - b. No, it definitely means a revelatory manifestation of the divine.
 - c. Sure, sure... What, what? Now I'm confused.
 - d. When doubt, remember that it's about Jesus.
3. What was the topic of today's time with the children? Circle the correct one:
 - a. I'm still confused about what Epiphany means
 - b. Jesus was baptized, how cool is that!
 - c. How many bibles is too many?
4. What is your favorite part of Jesus' baptism?
5. Today, Pastor Joel will teach from Mark 1:1-11. Circle all that are true:
 - a. John was baptizing people so they could repent
 - b. People repented to prepare for:
 - i. The end of the world – the Lions are going to the playoffs?
 - ii. The arrival of the Messiah – Jesus of Nazareth!
 - c. When Jesus appeared
 - i. He asked people to worship him
 - ii. He was baptized too
 - d. After Jesus was baptized:
 - i. Stairway to Heaven could be heard
 - ii. The Spirit of God descended upon him
 - iii. The Father claimed him as his Son
 - e. Above all, this baptism showed the love of God for Jesus and for us

Serving in Worship This Morning

- Greeter: Patty Kreitmeyer
Ushers: Kathy Turnbull, Ron Martin
Worship Assistant: Beth Olko
Communion Servers: Kimmy and Bob Taylor
Keyboard: Paula Boegner
Technology: Scott Gaines
Safety Officer: Lou Suveg
Tellers: Paula Boegner, Bob Taylor
Fellowship Hour: Bring your favorite dip

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 12:15 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 14 – Luke 1:43-51.



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).



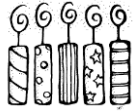
Chancel Flowers



Happy New Year to the St. Timothy Family...

Lou Suveg

Celebrating



Birthdays:

January 8

Kim Gaines

January 9

Mike Baum

Anniversary:

No anniversaries this week

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

Saturday, January 13 – Hope Clinic Bag Lunch Packing

Wednesday, January 17 – Friendship Club Worship

Sunday, March 3 – Potluck and Talent Show



The Mission & Outreach Committee will be packing 100 lunches for Hope Clinic on Saturday, January 13th from 9 am-12 pm. Hope Clinic hands out about 500 lunches weekly. This is another opportunity for us to help those in need. Brunch will be served to the volunteers. Please sign up on the bulletin board in fellowship hall. You can also donate monetarily.



THANK YOU

To everyone at St Timothy,
At this time of year, as I sit back and rest a bit from all of the activities, I have the opportunity to reflect upon the past year. 2023 was really an amazing year at St Timothy. I am so thankful how you supported me and my family during the sabbatical, and you all showed one another what it really means to be the church. And now to cap off the year you have also given me and my family a Christmas gift. We are immensely thankful for your kindness and your generosity. Thank you for all the ways that you care for us and may you all have a blessed new year.

In Christ,
Pastor Joel

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Dear St Timothy friends,
Once again am I amazed at your generosity in how much you have given to me for my Christmas bonus. Thank you so much, looking forward to a great 2024!

Tim

To my “other” church family,
Thank you so much for the *very generous* financial gift. Mark and I had to purchase a new refrigerator the day after Christmas and the money helped “soften the blow”. This past year truly showed what a church can do during a pastoral sabbatical – you did it right! Thanks and Happy New Year...

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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!



Friendship Club Worship Service
January 17 at 11:00 am.
Everyone is invited!

Joy

Fellowship Hour “Joy” Scriptures

Romans 8:18

“I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.”



MISSION AND OUTREACH

Upcoming events:

Saturday, January 13th 9:00 AM - Hope Clinic Bag lunch packing – All invited, plus workers will be treated to a brunch as well. A sign-up sheet is on the board in Fellowship Hall.

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

Church Weekly Schedule



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| Sunday | 9:45 AM | Chancel Choir Rehearsal |
| 1/7 | 10:30 AM | <i>Family Worship</i> |
| | | https://video.sttimothycusa.org |
| | 11:30 AM | Fellowship Hour |
| | 12:15 PM | <i>Adult Bible Study</i> |
| Monday | 12:00 PM | Zoom Adult Bible Study |
| 1/8 | | https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org |
| | 6:30 PM | <i>Men's Association</i> |
| | 6:00 PM | TOPS |
| Tuesday | 6:45 & 8:15 AM | Prayer and Praise Call |
| 1/9 | | 202-926-1029 - access code 235645 |
| | 9:00 AM | <i>STARS</i> |
| | 12:00 PM | Zoom Adult Bible Study |
| | | https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org |
| Wednesday | 12:30 PM | Faith Circle |
| 1/10 | | |
| Thursday | 9:30 AM | Thursday Morning Bible Study |
| 1/11 | 5:55 PM | <i>Handbell Rehearsal</i> |
| | 7:00 PM | Chancel Choir Rehearsal |
| Friday | 6:00 PM | Special Olympics Cheer |
| 1/12 | | |
| Saturday | 9:00 AM | Hope Clinic Lunch Packing |
| 1/13 | | |
| Sunday | 9:20 AM | Handbell Choir Rehearsal |
| 1/14 | 9:45 AM | <i>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</i> |
| | 10:30 AM | Family Worship |
| | | https://video.sttimothycusa.org |
| | 11:30 AM | Fellowship Hour |
| | 12:15 PM | <i>Adult Bible Study</i> |

To God Be the Glory

*To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life gate that all may go in.*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord;
let the earth hear his voice!*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord;
let the people rejoice!*

*O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory; great things he has done!*

*Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord;
let the earth hear his voice!*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord;
let the people rejoice!*

*O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory; great things he has done!*

Let Us Break Bread Together

*Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees;)
Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees;)
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me.)*

*Let us drink the cup together on our knees; (on our knees;)
Let us drink the cup together on our knees; (on our knees;)
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me.)*

*Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees;)
Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees;)
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me.)*

Another Year Is Dawning

*Another year is dawning: Dear Father, let it be,
In working or in waiting, Another year with Thee;
Another year of progress, Another year of praise,
Another year of proving Thy presence all the days.*

*Another year of mercies, Of faithfulness and grace;
Another year of gladness In the shining of Thy face;
Another year of leaning Upon Thy loving breast;
Another year of trusting, Of quiet, happy rest.*

*Another year of service, Of witness for Thy love;
Another year of training For holier work above.
Another year is dawning: Dear Father, let it be,
On earth or else in heaven, Another year for Thee.
Amen*