

June 16, 2024  
4th 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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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 “Father God”  
Kendrick

PASTORAL WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 92:1-2, 13-15  
It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
**to sing praise to God Most High; to declare God’s steadfast love in the morning and his faithfulness at nighttime.**  
Those who are planted in the house of the Lord flourish; no matter their age, they bear fruit and remain lush and fresh, proclaiming:  
**The Lord is righteous! God is my rock!**

HYMN “This Is My Father’s World” see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God, we so often miss your kingdom at work among us. Captivated by power and prestige, we overlook the mustard seeds you have planted all around. Forgive us for failing to notice where and how you are at work. Forgive us when we work against your plans and purposes— fostering divisions when you have called us to a ministry of reconciliation; beset by apathy when the world has such deep needs. Help us to grow in faithfulness, we pray, so that we might reach our fullest height of faith. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

If anyone is in Christ, they are a new creation: the old life is passed away and a new life has begun! Therefore, once again hear the good news of the Gospel: 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. Allelu. Amen.*

A MOMENT FOR ILLUMINATION

*Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet, and a Light unto my path.  
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OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ezekiel 17:22-24

A TIME FOR GOD'S CHILDREN Linda Houghtby

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Lord's Prayer" Albert Hay Malotte

GOSPEL READING Mark 4:26-34

SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam  
"Growth in the Kingdom"

HYMN "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" see insert

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostle's Creed  
**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried, he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. 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:

**Bless, O God, the gifts that we bring this day, that they may be a sign of our commitment to your kingdom and a pledge of our love for you and your world. Multiply the work done by our time, treasures, and talents, that your presence and compassion may be known in all the earth. 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 "God Be the Love to Search and Keep Me" 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

*Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace, Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, Traveling through this wilderness.*

POSTLUDE

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

**Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**Following Along in Worship**

1. Today we celebrate Father's Day. What are some of your favorite memories of you and your dad together?
  
2. The Bible says that God is also our Father. How is God like a dad to you?
  
3. What was the Time for the Children about today?
  - a. Why I'm so excited for summer
  - b. The Great Yogurt Debate: Greek or Regular?
  - c. A song celebrating dads
  
4. Today we also celebrate our teachers. Why are teachers so important? Say thank you to a teacher today!
  
5. Pastor Joel is teaching from Mark 4:26-34. Circle all that are true about this passage:
  - a. Jesus tells a parable about veganism
  - b. Jesus tells a parable about a seed
  - c. Jesus says that the Kingdom of God
    - i. Is like the sun
    - ii. Is like a seed growing
  - d. This means that
    - i. We are literally seeds
    - ii. We grow too
  - e. God's kingdom is always shrinking
  - f. God's Kingdom is always growing

## Serving in Worship

Greeter: Karlane Belaire  
Ushers: Youth  
Worship Assistant: Jillian Sautter  
Soloist: Dave Olko Sr.  
Keyboard: Linda Delezenne  
Technology: Tina Puntigam  
Safety Officer: Dennis Delezenne  
Tellers: Paula Boegner, Kim Gaines  
Fellowship Hour: Faith Circle

## Weekly Bible Studies

**After Worship Bible Study** –*at approximately 12:15 pm.* We are doing “post sermon studies” in the Pastor’s office. All are welcome!

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

We are studying prayers of the church.

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

**Zoom Bible Study** – *Tuesday at 12:30 pm*

We are studying the book of Acts.

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

Our study is on the passage that Pastor Joel will be preaching on June 23 – Mark 4:35-41.



Chancel Flowers



Celebrating the men who help shape and support our lives.

Carol Prevost

Celebrating



**Birthdays:**

June 18

June 21

**Anniversaries:**

Sue Zabell

Tom Evans

No anniversaries this week

UPCOMING  
EVENTS

Saturday, June 22 – Hope Lunch Packing

Sunday, June 23 – Church Picnic

Friday, June 28 – Saturday, June 29 – Prayer Vigil

Saturday, June 29 – Patriotic Caroling



Ladies, mark your calendars! On Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> we will carpool to Heavenly Scent Herb Farm in Fenton. Walk through the gardens and check out their unique shop. Visit their web site to get more info. We will meet at church at 9:30. There is a sign up in the fellowship hall.



*Are you in need of prayer or do you know someone that is in need of prayer? Maybe you want to give thanks for answered prayer. Sometimes it is helpful and meaningful to put these things in writing. Take a ribbon and write your prayers, praises and thanks on as many as you need. Hang them on the fences. It is beautiful and symbolic to watch our prayers being lifted up.*



## Announcing a 24-hour Prayer Vigil

### Who's ready to pray?

From 12:00 pm on Friday, June 28 to  
12:00 pm on Saturday, June 29

The Mission and Outreach Committee along with the Deacons are hosting a 24- hour prayer vigil at St Timothy. The vigil will begin with a 30-minute prayer service on Friday, after which participants will return to their homes or work to pray when their slot comes up. Prayer slots of 30 minutes each are available, and you do not need to come to the opening prayer service to be able to pray. We will reconvene at 11:30am on Saturday to close the vigil, which will be followed by a luncheon. The two prayer services will be held in the sanctuary, and specific prayers will be given to all those praying at home. The signup will be in the narthex soon. If you have any questions please ask Mary, Dennis, Kathey or Pastor Joel. With God's help we hope to fill all 48 prayer slots!



The Mission & Outreach Committee will be **packing 200 lunches** for **Hope Clinic** on **Saturday, June 22, 2024**, from 9 am -11 am. Hope Clinic hands out about 500 lunches weekly. This is another opportunity for us to help those in need. Coffee and bagels will be served to the volunteers. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall if you are able to help.

- *Lunch items needed are: Trail mix, crackers with peanut butter or cheese, fruit snacks, pretzels, chips, cheese-its or any other individual bagged snack, , fruit cups, applesauce, tuna in small cans with pop tops, tuna in small cans with crackers, can soup – with pop tops, ravioli – with pop tops, spaghetti – with pop tops and bottled water.*

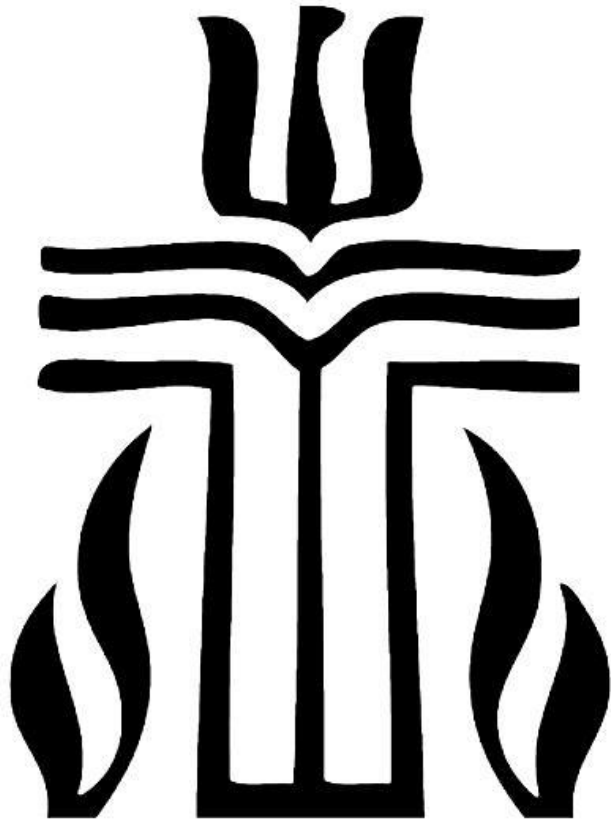
All items must be individually packaged, and any cans must have pop tops. There will be a box in the Narthex for donations. Monetary donations are also greatly accepted. Please see any member of the Mission and Outreach committee with any questions.



Let's celebrate the beginning of summer! On Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> you are invited to a summer picnic during fellowship hour hosted by our Deacons. There will be great food, music and games. If you can help bring a dish to pass, there is a sign up in fellowship hall.



Please join in for Patriotic Caroling!  
Saturday, June 29  
1:00 pm – meet at the church  
Sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall



## Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday	10:30 AM	Family Worship
6/16		<a href="https://video.sttimothypcusa.org">https://video.sttimothypcusa.org</a>
	11:30 PM	<i>Fellowship Hour</i>
	12:15 PM	After Worship Bible Study
Monday	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
6/17		<a href="https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org">https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org</a>
	6:00 PM	TOPS
Tuesday	6:45 & 8:15 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
6/16		202-926-1029 - access code 235645
	9:00 AM	STARS
	12:30 PM	<i>Zoom Adult Bible Study</i>
		<a href="https://study.sttimothypcusa.org">https://study.sttimothypcusa.org</a>
Wednesday		
6/19		
Thursday	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
6/20		
Friday 6/21		
Saturday 6/22	9:00 AM	Hope Lunch Packing
Sunday	10:30 AM	Family Worship
6/23		<a href="https://video.sttimothypcusa.org">https://video.sttimothypcusa.org</a>
	11:30 AM	<i>Church Picnic</i>
	12:15 PM	After Worship Bible Study

## ***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.*

*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.*

## ***I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord***

*I love Thy kingdom, Lord,  
The house of Thine abode,  
The Church our blest Redeemer saved  
With His own precious blood.*

*I love Thy Church, O God!  
Her walls before Thee stand,  
Dear as the apple of Thine eye,  
And graven on Thy hand.*

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*For her my tears shall fall;  
For her my prayers ascend;  
To her my cares and toils be giv'n,  
Till toils and cares shall end.*

*Beyond my highest joy  
I prize her heav'nly ways,  
Her sweet communion, solemn vows,  
Her hymns of love and praise.*

*Sure as Thy truth shall last,  
To Zion shall be giv'n  
The brightest glories earth can yield,  
And brighter bliss of heav'n.*

## ***God, be the Love to Search and Keep Me***

*God, be the love to search and keep me;  
God, be the prayer to move my voice;  
God, be the strength to now uphold me:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.*

*Bind to myself the Name of Holy,  
great cloud of witnesses enfold;  
prophets, apostles, angels witness:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.*

*Brightness of sun and glow of moonlight,  
flashing of lightning, strength of wind,  
depth of the sea to soil and planet:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.*

*Walking behind to hem my journey,  
going ahead to light my way, and from beneath,  
above, and all ways:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.*

*Christ in the eyes of all who see me,  
Christ in the ears that hear my voice,  
Christ in the hearts of all who know me:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.*