

September 15, 2024
17th 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 “Melody from a Chopin Etude”
INTROIT “Arise, Shine” Gary Alan Smith
PASTORAL WELCOME
*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 19:1-4, 14
Look at the heavens!
They are shouting the glory of God.
The days and the nights declare the magnificence of God’s creative works.
Their voice goes through all the earth and their words reach the ends of the world.
Let our words of praise be acceptable to you.
Our Lord, our rock, our redeemer!
HYMN “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” see insert
BIBLE PRESENTATION - Ava Woodard
CALL TO CONFESSION
SILENT CONFESSION
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Holy God, in the face of sin, our gravest enemy, we call to you for help. You know our fault before we speak. Forgive us for what we have done in opposition to your will. Forgive us for those things we have not undertaken and for which we know are wrong. We have not loved you and our neighbors as we ought. We have denied our dependence on you. Lead us away from this grief and sorrow. Save us so that we may fulfill our vows to you and attend to the needs of your people. Amen.
*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS
The law of the Lord is perfect, and it revives the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure and make wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, and it enlightens the eyes. Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ, the living Word, 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: Proverbs 2:1-6

A TIME FOR GOD’S CHILDREN Tina Puntigam

SPECIAL MUSIC “Family of Christ”
Nancy Price/Don Besig

EPISTLE READING James 1:1-8

INTERACTIVE SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam
“Joy in Trials”

HYMN “My Jesus, I Love Thee” 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:

God of wisdom, may this offering serve as a powerful witness to this world in need. Guide us as we administer the gifts that you have given us for the building of your kingdom. In Jesus Christ we pray. 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 “Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessings” 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

*God be with you till we meet again;
‘Neath His wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again.*

POSTLUDE

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

Sunday, September 15th
Following Along in Worship

1. Today is Rally Day – what is today really all about?
2. Last week we learned about how Jesus healed two different people. What role do you think their own faith had to play in the healing they received?
3. What was the Time for the Children about today?
 - a. Go Lions, Go!
 - b. Peter Piper Picked a Peck of Pickled Peppers.
 - c. Joy in the midst of trials
4. What does it look like to have a kind of faith without doubts?
5. In the sermon, Pastor Joel will teach from James 1:1-8. Circle all that are true about this passage:
 - a. James is a musician from back east
 - b. James is a servant of Jesus
 - c. When trials of all kinds come our way, we are meant to respond with
 - i. Anger
 - ii. Joy
 - iii. Indifference
 - d. If we lack wisdom, we need to ask Jeeves
 - e. If we lack wisdom, we need to ask God
 - f. If we doubt that God will help us, he will anyway
 - g. If we doubt that God will help us, we won't receive anything

Serving in Worship

Greeter: Patty Kreitmeyer
Ushers: Youth
Worship Assistant: Ava Woodard, Mary Baum
Keyboard: Linda Delezenne
Technology: Tina Puntigam
Safety Officer: Scott Gaines
Tellers: Paula Boegner, Kim Gaines
Fellowship Hour: Rally Day – Faith Ed/Deacons

Weekly Bible Studies

After Worship Bible Study – See you next *Sunday (9/22) at 12:30 pm in Fellowship Hall when we begin The Big “?” Bible Study*

All are welcome!

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

We are studying prayers of the church.

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

Zoom Bible Study – *Tuesday at 12:45 pm*

We are studying the book of Acts.

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

Our study is on the passage that Pastor Joel will be preaching on September 22 - James 1:9-18.



Chancel Flowers



In honor of and thanksgiving for Dave Houghtby,
Linda Houghtby

Thank
you

Thank you for making our 70th Anniversary so special! We had fun with the game in fellowship hour and the gift of the engraved cross was beautiful and so not expected! Our St. Timothy Family made us feel loved!
Ron and Muriel

Celebrating



Birthdays:

September 15

Rich Belaire

September 17

Nancy Evans

Anniversaries:

September 18

Chris & Marlane Korne (53 years)

Ladies DAY OUT

Attention Ladies! Mark your calendars for a trip to Three Cedars Cider Mill in Northville, Wednesday, September 25th. Pick a pumpkin, have some cider and donuts, take a hay ride or try your luck in a corn maze. Shop in their general store. Meet at church at 9:30 to carpool. We can find a place to eat lunch after. Sign up in the fellowship hall.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, September 15 – Rally Day

Thursday, September 19 – Friendship Club Picnic

Garden City Park

Wednesday, September 25 – Ladies Day Out

Sunday, October 13 – Crop Walk

Saturday, October 19 – Church Clean Up Day

Saturday, October 26 – Trunk or Treat

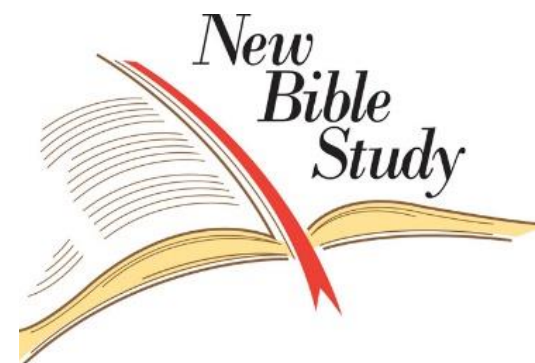


Campfire Worship

Wednesday evenings in July, August
and September!

Time: 7:30 pm

Plan on interesting bible discussion, testimonials and great music!



Do you have a bible question that has never really been able to be answered? What about different passages that you think conflict? What about a biblical issue that keeps nagging at you? Starting September 22 at 12:30 pm, The Big “?” Bible Study will work on these "questions" that you have a chance to submit. Please submit your question(s) in the Gold Box on the information table. We look forward to seeing you in Fellowship Hall!





Community Opportunity Center (COC)
 “Friendship Club Opportunities to Serve”

1. Would you be willing to spend an hour a week with a COC resident reading a book or playing cards? Time to be determined by volunteer and resident. Sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall
2. COC has a craft day in October and they are looking for folks to help. Wednesday, October 2 at 10:00 am. (All craft days are on the first Wednesday of each month.) There is a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. We can meet at church and carpool.
3. COC has invited St. Timothy Members to a picnic on Thursday, September 19th at 4:30 pm at Garden City Park. There is a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please bring ½ dozen cookies if able.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Mary or Dennis.

Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday 9/15	9:45 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothypcusa.org
	11:30 PM	Fellowship Hour
Monday 9/16	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
		https://study.sttimothypcusa.org
	6:00 PM	Deacons
	6:00 PM	TOPS
Tuesday 9/17	6:45 & 8:15 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
		202-926-1029 - access code 235645
	9:00 AM	STARS
	12:45 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
		https://study.sttimothypcusa.org
	6:30 PM	Nominating & Personnel
Wednesday 9/18	7:30 PM	Campfire Worship
Thursday 9/19	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
	4:30 PM	Friendship Club Picnic, Garden City
	5:55 PM	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday 9/20		
Saturday 9/21		
Sunday 9/22	9:20 AM	Handbell Rehearsal
	9:45 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Family Worship
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	11:30 PM	Fellowship Hour
	12:30 PM	The Big "?" Bible Study

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

*I sing the mighty pow'r of God,
That made the mountains rise;
That spread the flowing seas abroad,
And built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained
The sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at His command,
And all the stars obey.*

*I sing the goodness of the Lord,
That filled the earth with food;
He formed the creatures with His word,
And then pronounced them good.
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed,
Where'er I turn my eye:
If I survey the ground I tread,
Or gaze upon the sky!*

*There's not a plant or flow'r below,
But makes Thy glories known;
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,
By order from Thy throne;
While all that borrows life from Thee
Is ever in Thy care,
And ev'rywhere that man can be,
Thou, God, art present there.
Amen.*

My Jesus, I Love Thee

*My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine-
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign;
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.*

*I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, tis now.*

*I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,
And praise These as long as Thou lendest me breath;
And say when the death-dew lies cold on my brow,
"If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."*

*In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow,
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."*

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

*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.*

*Thanks we give and adoration
For Thy gospel's joyful sound;
May the fruits of Thy salvation
In our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful
To the truth may we be found
Amen.*