September 29, 2024 19th Sunday after Pentecost

James 1:19-27 Listening & Doing

St. Timothy Presbyterian Church 16700 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154 734-464-8844 Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 9:30 am to 2:30 pm Friday: 9:30 am to 12:00 pm email: sttimothy@sttimothypcusa.org

<u>Staff</u>

Pastor - Joel Puntigam Music Director & Accompanist – Tim Falk Office Manager – Shelly Walldorff

<u>St. Timothy Mission Statement</u> 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 name of the Lord" From Psalm 22

PASTORAL WELCOME

Psalm 124:1-8

*CALL TO WORSHIP If it had not been for God, who was on our side,

If it had not been for God, who was on our side, We would have fallen prey to those who want to harm us;

We would have been swept away by sadness and fear. Blessed be the Lord, our protector! God has broken the snare that took away our freedom.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Blessed be God's holy name!

HYMN "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, our strength and savior, you know our great transgressions, our hidden faults, our secret sins. With our hands we grasp at power; with our feet we stumble into evil; with our eyes we look out for ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, and lead us in your holy way of life and love and peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Though we wander from the truth, God brings us back and saves our souls from death. Once again hear and believe in the good news of the Gospel: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!



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

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

third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from

A TIME FOR GOD'S CHILDREN Kathey Turnbull SPECIAL MUSIC "Everywhere I Go" Sleeth EPISTLE READING James 1:19-27 SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam "Integrity" see insert

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

"Gloria Patri"

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.

Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet, and a Light unto my path. **Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet, and a Light unto my path.**

(Verses 1-5)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

and Holy Ghost. Amen.

A MOMENT FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

RESPONSE

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The Apostle's Creed

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Isaiah 1:10-17

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

Blessed are you, oh God. You have given Jesus, your only Son, who was made lower than the angels for our sake. With thanksgiving we give of what you have provided, that your will may be done in this world. Give us the wisdom and courage to do so. In the name of Jesus 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 "7	The Trees of the Field"	see insert
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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 29th Following Along in Worship

- 1. If joy is knowing that God is near, what can we do to make sure we are filled with joy?
- 2. Last week we learned that God will help us in time of trial and temptation. How can God help you today?
- 3. What was the Time for the Children about today?
 - a. Is James really the brother of Jesus?
 - b. The Celtic Cross
 - c. What God really wants from us is to care
- 4. How can you please God?
- 5. In the sermon, Pastor Joel will teach from James 1:19-27. Circle all that are true about this passage:
 - a. Everyone should be:
 - i. Slow to listen and quick to speak
 - ii. Slow to speak and quick to listen
 - iii. And slow to become angry
 - b. Just listen to the Word and do nothing
 - c. Don't just merely listen to the Word do what it says!
 - d. True religion that God accepts is:
 - i. Only eating tree bark and eggshells
 - ii. Looking after orphans and widows
 - iii. Not allowing the world to corrupt us

Serving in Worship

Greeter: Mary Baum Ushers: Liana Olko, Dave Olko Worship Assistant: Karlane Belaire Technology: Tim Chanko Safety Officer: Ron Martin Tellers: TBD Fellowship Hour: Bring your favorite casserole

Weekly Bible Studies

The Big "?" Bible Study –Sunday at 12:30 pm

Questions for today: *Did Jesus have brothers and sisters? Did Mary and Joseph have other children? Is there any wrong way to pray?* All are welcome in Fellowship Hall.

Zoom Bible Study –Monday at 12:00 pm

We are studying prayers of the church.

This is the link address to join: https://study.sttimothypcusa.org

Zoom Bible Study – Tuesday at 12:45 pm

We are studying the book of Acts.

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<u>Adult Weekly Bible Study - Thursday</u> – *Thursday at 9:30 am* Our study is on the passage that Pastor Joel will be preaching on

October 6 - James 2:1-13.



Celebrating

Birthdays: October 1 Anniversaries:

Helen Chanko

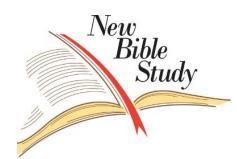
No anniversaries this week



<u>Sunday, October 13</u> – Crop Walk <u>Saturday, October 19</u> – Church Clean Up Day <u>Saturday, October 26</u> – Trunk or Treat <u>Wednesday, November 27</u> – Thanksgiving Eve Service



- <u>On Sunday, October 13 at 1:00 pm</u> we will gather at Ben Celani Pavilion at Bicentennial Park - 35400 W Seven Mile Rd, Livonia, MI 48152!
- First, we will pack 100 Menstrual Hygiene Kits
- Then we will walk around the park in a $\frac{1}{2}$ loop
- Water and ice cream will be provided
- All those interested in walking should talk with Pastor Joel

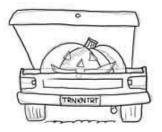


Do you have a bible question that has never really been able to be answered? What about different passages that you think conflict? What about a biblical issue that keeps nagging at you? The Big "?" Bible Study will work on these "questions" that you have a chance to submit. Please submit your question(s)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



<u>DATE:</u> – Saturday, October 19 <u>Time</u>: 9:00 am until early afternoon <u>What</u>: jobs inside and out! <u>Enjoy</u>...

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



It's that time of year! Our annual community Trunk or Treat is Saturday, October 26th from 4:30-6:00 pm. Come help pass out candy from your car. Everyone always has a great time participating in this event. Dinner will be served. There is a sign up in the Fellowship Hall. We are also asking for donations of candy.



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.

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



Our own Matt Johnson invites you to his fall/Xmas concerts:

- <u>October 19</u>, 7 PM Fall Concert, Holy Cross Lutheran, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia 48152
- <u>October 20</u>, 3 PM Fall Concert, Northbrook Presbyterian, 22055 14 Mile, Beverly Hills 48025
- <u>December 7</u>, 7 PM Christmas Concert, Church of the Divine Child, 1055 Silvery Lane, Dearborn 48128
- <u>December 8</u>, 3 PM Christmas Concert, Historic Trinity Lutheran, 1345 Gratiot, Detroit 48207
- <u>December 13</u>, 7:30 PM Christmas Concert, Ascension of Christ Lutheran, 16935 W. 14 Mile, Beverly Hills, 48025
- <u>December 14</u>, 7PM Christmas Concert, Christ Our Savior Lutheran, 14175 Farmington Rd, Livonia 48154



Carol and Linda could use some corrugated cardboard to prepare the gardens for winter. Please put the boxes in the northeast entrance way after October 1. Any questions, please reach out to Carol or Linda.



Hi Ladies! Faith Circle (Women's Association) is going to visit and take a tour of the Oakland County Foster Closet on **Wednesday, October 9th**. Everyone is welcome to join us. Meet at church at 10:30 and we will carpool. We will stop for lunch after. Hope you can join us.



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

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Sunday 9/29	9:45 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothypcusa.org
	After Worship	Fellowship Hour
	12:30 PM	The Big "?" Bible Study
Monday 9/30	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
		https://study.sttimothypcusa.org
	6:00 PM	TOPS
Tuesday 10/1	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
	4:15 PM	Worship Committee
	5:00 PM	Mission & Outreach Committee
	6:30 PM	Session
Wednesday 10/2	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
Thursday 10/3	11:30 AM	Ladies Lunch
	5:55 PM	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	6:30 PM	Compassionate Friends
Friday 10/4		-
Saturday 10/5	All Day	Kindred Spirits
Sunday 10/6	9:45 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Family Worship
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	After Worship	Fellowship Hour
	12:30 PM	The Big "?" Bible Study

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side, we will work with each other, we will work side by side, and we'll guard human dignity and save human pride: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

The Servant Song

Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey; we're together on this road. We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh, I'll laugh with you. I will share your joy and sorrow till we're seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony, born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.

The Trees of the Field

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the mountains and the hills will break forth before you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands, the trees of the field will clap their hands, the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy.

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