

October 27, 2024
23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome!

PRELUDE

INTROIT

PASTORAL WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 34:1-3

I will bless the Lord at all times,
God's praise will continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord,
Let the humble hear and be glad.
O magnify the Lord with me,
Let us exalt God's name together!

HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we have not been humble. We have discouraged others from seeking you. We have not sought your wisdom. Forgive us, O God, and teach us to boast only of you. Help us to celebrate when others seek after you. Give us the light of your wisdom and ways, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

People of God, beloved of the Lord, the one who created us and maintains our every breath calls us to receive mercy and be forgiven. Let us go forth in the firm assurance of pardon, so that today and every day our path may be strong and free.
Amen and Alleluia!



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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Staff

Pastor - Joel Puntigam

Music Director & Accompanist – Tim Falk

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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>

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 9:9-12

A TIME FOR GOD’S CHILDREN Linda Houghtby

SPECIAL MUSIC “Here I Am Lord”
Schutte/Sherman

EPISTLE READING James 3:13-18

SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam
“Two Kinds of Wisdom”

MOMENT OF COMMITMENT

HYMN “Freely, Freely” 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 “Holy, Holy, Holy” Dykes/Wall

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:

Holy God, bless our offerings with healing that comes from your work and our hands. We give with joy and thanks for what we have, in the name of Jesus, our great high priest. 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 “I Will Serve Thee” see insert

SENDING AND BENEDICTION

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CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

In his time, in his time; he makes all things beautiful in his time. Lord, please show me every day as you’re teaching me your way, that you do just what you say in your time.

POSTLUDE

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

**Sunday, October 27th
Following Along in Worship**

1. Why is it so hard to control the tongue? Is there anything that can be done?

2. How can Jesus help you to become more like him?

3. What was the Time for the Children about today?
 - a. Trunk or Treat?
 - b. The best kind of wisdom
 - c. Pretty Polish pottery

4. Why is having wisdom so important?

5. In the sermon, Pastor Joel will teach from James 3:13-18.
Circle all that are true about this passage:
 - a. The ones who are wise amongst us will show us by:
 - i. Acting all silly
 - ii. Acting with good conduct
 - b. Bitterness and jealousy come from
 - i. Not having enough stuff
 - ii. Earthly wisdom
 - c. Earthly wisdom is unspiritual and selfish
 - d. Heavenly wisdom is
 - i. Peaceable and gentle
 - ii. All about yourself
 - iii. Full of mercy and open to reason

Serving in Worship

Greeter: Paul Moon
Ushers: Chris Korne, Ron Martin
Worship Assistant: Sue Zabell
Keyboard: Linda Delezenne
Technology: Scott Gaines
Safety Officer: Lou Suveg
Tellers: TBD
Fellowship Hour: Finance & Stewardship

Weekly Bible Studies

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

Questions for this study: *There is sin against the Holy Spirit that can't be forgiven. Is that true if the person repents? Do we know what constitutes a sin against the Holy Spirit?* All are welcome in Fellowship Hall.

Zoom Bible Study – Monday at 12:00 pm

We will be rotating between Psalms and the minor Prophets.

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

Our study is on the passage that Pastor Joel will be preaching on November 3 - James 4:1-12.



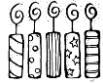
Chancel Flowers



Celebrating Jean – Happy Birthday!

Lou Suveg

Celebrating



Birthdays:

October 28

Lois Coman

Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 27 – Stewardship Sunday

Sunday, November 3 – Daylight Savings Time Change

Wednesday, November 27 – Thanksgiving Eve Service

Friday, November 29 – Hanging of the Greens



Thanks to all who participated in Crop Walk. Our new venue was a success and we had success putting our menstrual packs together. ***Donations accepted until the end of October.***

INVITATION

Your Finance and Stewardship Committee invites you to a Stewardship Sunday pasta lunch after worship service **today**, October 27th. Come and enjoy some lasagna, mac & cheese, breadsticks, salad and dessert. Plan on some good food and fellowship. All are welcome!



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 November and they are looking for folks to help. Wednesday, November 6 at 10:00 am. (All craft days are on the first Wednesday of each month.)
3. ***Questions? Please reach out to Mary or Dennis.***



Thank you for the cardboard contributions. We have what we need!



Spotlight Players at Village Theater in Canton has two performances that our Tim Chanko is involved with, one in November and one in December.

- “Tut, Tut!” Tim is directing the children’s musical portion of the performance.
- “Who Killed Ebenezer Scrooge?” Tim has a role in this performance.
- Details and ticket information are at the Information Station and on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.



Our own Matt Johnson invites you to his Xmas concerts:

- December 7, 7 PM Christmas Concert, Church of the Divine Child, 1055 Silvery Lane, Dearborn 48128
- December 8, 3 PM Christmas Concert, Historic Trinity Lutheran, 1345 Gratiot, Detroit 48207
- December 13, 7:30 PM Christmas Concert, Ascension of Christ Lutheran, 16935 W. 14 Mile, Beverly Hills, 48025
- December 14, 7PM Christmas Concert, Christ Our Savior Lutheran, 14175 Farmington Rd, Livonia 48154

Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday 10/27	9:20 AM	Handbell Rehearsal
	9:45 PM	<i>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</i>
	10:30 AM	Family Worship - Stewardship Sunday
		https://video.sttimothyusa.org
	After Worship	<i>Fellowship Hour</i>
	12:30 PM	Big "?" Bible Study
Monday 10/28	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
		https://study.sttimothyusa.org
	6:00 PM	<i>TOPS</i>
Tuesday 10/29	6:45 & 8:15 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
		202-926-1029 - access code 235645
	9:00 AM	<i>STARS</i>
	12:45 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
		https://study.sttimothyusa.org
	6:30 PM	<i>Strategic Planning</i>
Wednesday 10/30		
Thursday 10/31	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
Friday 11/1		
Saturday 11/2	All Day	Kindred Spirits Holiday Market
Sunday 11/3	9:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	<i>Family Worship</i>
		https://video.sttimothyusa.org
	After Worship	Fellowship Hour
	12:30 PM	<i>The Big "?" Bible Study</i>

Be Thou My Vision

*Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art-
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.*

*Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

*Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.*

*High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever be fall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.
Amen.*

Freely, Freely

*God forgave my sin in Jesus's name,
I've been born again in Jesus' name;
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share His love as He told me to:
He said, "Freely, freely you have received--
Freely, freely give;
Go in My name and because you believe,
Others will know that I live."*

*All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name,
In earth and heav'n in Jesus' name;
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share His pow'r as He told me to:
He said, "Freely, freely you have received--
Freely, freely give;
Go in My name and because you believe,
Others will know that I live."*

I Will Serve Thee

*I will serve Thee because I love Thee,
You have given life to me;
I was nothing before You found me,
You have given life to me.
Heartaches, broken pieces,
Ruined lives are why You died on Calvary;
Your touch was what I longed for,
You have given life to me.*