

November 3, 2024
24th 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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Pastor - Joel Puntigam
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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 “Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord” Hudson

PASTORAL WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 28:6-7

Praise be to the LORD, for he has heard my cry for mercy.

**The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him,
and he helps me.**

My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him.

Let us worship the Lord our God!

HYMN “Sweet Hour of Prayer” see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, you have been faithful, yet we have not loved you with our
whole hearts. You showed us how to love our fellow humanity, yet
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Turn us back to you,
O God, that we may follow your commandments; through Christ
our Lord we pray. Amen.**

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Beloved, the Lord is loving, merciful, and just. Therefore, we are
reconciled to God and to one another, that we might walk in peace and
love.

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

Jeremiah 3:6-10

A TIME FOR GOD'S CHILDREN

Matt Johnson

HYMN

"Kum ba Yah"

see insert

EPISTLE READING

James 4:1-12

SERMON

Pastor Joel Puntigam

"The Fight"

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

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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

Dear God, we offer you these gifts that they might build up the work of your kingdom. Make us living witnesses to the way of your righteous reign. For the glory of your son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"If We Truly Believe"

Besig

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

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 BENEDICTION

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to: seek God, follow Christ, serve and love our neighbor.

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, November 3rd
Following Along in Worship**

1. Why is wisdom so important to have? Where does it come from?
2. Is there anyone in your life that you consider to be wise? What can you learn from them?
3. What was the Time for the Children about today?
 - a. Oh boy, here comes the election!
 - b. She sells seashells by the seashore
 - c. The problem with competing desires
4. What can we do to ensure that we desire God and not the world?
5. In the sermon, Pastor Joel will teach from James 4:1-12. Circle all that are true about this passage:
 - a. What is the true cause of fights and quarrels?
 - i. Too much Pepsi
 - ii. Not enough tacos
 - iii. The desires that battle within us
 - b. What does friendship with the world mean?
 - i. We are super cool
 - ii. We are enemies of God
 - iii. It means nothing at all
 - c. The way back to God is:
 - i. Pay him lots of money
 - ii. Purify our hearts
 - iii. Be humble
 - d. There is only one who can judge – God!

Serving in Worship

- Greeter: Carol Prevost
Ushers: Patty Kreitmeyer, Ron Martin
Worship Assistant: Scott Gaines
Communion Servers: Karen Kateff, Greg Kateff
Technology: Tina Puntigam
Safety Officer: Tim Chanko
Tellers: TBD
Fellowship Hour: Faith Circle

Weekly Bible Studies

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

Questions for this study: *If God is so good, why is there so much suffering? Difference between trials and testing?* 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.sttimothycusa.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 10 - James 4:13-5:6.



Chancel Flowers



In honor of Diane Boegner's 80th Birthday!
Boegner's

We are moving which means we are downsizing!

We have lots of garage/lawn items and home furnishings that we want to **give away**. So, all are invited to a “moving” open house on Sunday, Nov. 4 from 2:00 to 5:00 pm. Our address is 23667 Stonehenge in Novi. We will have directions available on Sunday. Ron and Muriel 248-473-1156.

Celebrating



Birthdays:

No birthdays this week

Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week

UPCOMING EVENTS

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. Generosity is a great word to describe the amount raised which is “drumroll please” - \$2600.00.



Thanks to everyone who turned in their pledge cards over the last few weeks. We will have numbers available next week. And, thanks to those of you who stayed for the celebration luncheon after worship.



Warming Tree

Our warming tree is once again located in the Narthex. All items are welcome, whether made by hand or purchased. Thank you to the STARS for setting it up. The tree will be available to receive donations until Sunday, December 8. We live in a cold winter climate and many people have to be outdoors. Hats, scarves, mittens, gloves and socks are getting expensive but are so necessary to keep warm in a Michigan winter. Items are needed for all ages. If you have a need, please help yourself. If you are able to donate, thank you. The items will be donated to Hope Clinic or Samaritan’s Purse. Thank you from your Deacons.

Per Capita

For PER CAPITA we have collected **\$1,188.90** toward our assigned goal of \$2,656.60. If you are able to financially help with this cost, drop a check in the offering and in the memo line, write per capita. Thank you!



There are 6 new engraved bricks that have been placed in our Memorial Garden. They are: Sally Novak, Dolores Horiski (Ron Martin's sister), Benny Moon, Claire Moon, Evelyn Ritenour and Rev. E. Dickson Forsyth (former pastor of St. Timothy).



Thank You from COC

Last week, several members from St. Timothy went to help clean up an outside area at one of their homes. Pictures were in the Friday email last week so we know they did a lot of work. A beautiful thank you note came this week and it is hanging on the bulletin board in the office hallway.

Greg Kateff announced this opportunity last Sunday

You are invited!

Join us for an evening of inspiration and enjoy Christian a cappella choral music.

Covenant Chamber Choir*

November 16, 2024

7:00 pm

Apostolic Christian Church

29575 Wentworth Street

Livonia, MI 48154

*The Covenant Chamber Choir consists of singers from five different states, some of who are from the local congregation.



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.**



Attention ladies! On Wednesday, December 11 we are going to Meadowbrook for their Holiday Walk. The tour lasts for one hour. Tickets are \$16.00 for Seniors and regular price is \$21.00. The last day to sign up is Sunday, November 17th. Any questions, see Mary. There is a sign up in the Fellowship Hall.



New Bible verse scripture cards are available on the table in the narthex at the Information Station.



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, 7 PM Christmas Concert, Christ Our Savior Lutheran, 14175 Farmington Rd, Livonia 48154

Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday 11/3	9:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothyusa.org
	After Worship	Fellowship Hour
	12:30 PM	Big "?" Bible Study
Monday 11/4	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
		https://study.sttimothyusa.org
	6:00 PM	TOPS
	6:30 PM	Strategic Planning
Tuesday 11/5	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.sttimothyusa.org
	6:30 PM	Session
Wednesday 11/6		
Thursday 11/7	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
	11:30 AM	Ladies Luncheon
	5:55 PM	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	6:00 PM	Compassionate Friends
Friday 11/8		
Saturday 11/9	10:00 AM	60th Anniversary Meeting
Sunday 11/10	9:20 AM	Handbell Rehearsal
	9:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothyusa.org
	After Worship	Fellowship Hour
	12:30 PM	The Big "?" Bible Study

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Sweet Hour of Prayer

*Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
That calls me from a world of care,
And bids me at my Father's throne
Make all my wants and wishes known;
In seasons of distress and grief,
My soul has often found relief,
And oft escaped the tempter's snare
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.*

*Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
Thy wings shall my petition bear
To Him whose truth and faithfulness
Engage the waiting soul to bless:
And since He bides me seek His face,
Believe His Word, and trust His grace,
I'll cast on Him my ev'ry care,
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.*

Kum ba Yah

*Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah!
Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah!
Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah!
O Lord, kum ba yah!*

*Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah!
O Lord, kum ba yah!*

*Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah!
O Lord, kum ba yah!*

*Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah!
O Lord, kum ba yah!*

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 of 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.*

Poinsettias

According to this legend, Pepita left her village to visit the Nativity scene at the chapel. She couldn't afford a gift for baby Jesus, so she picked some weeds and took them. When she presented the bouquet of weeds to Jesus, they turned into stunning red flowers which locals knew as "Cuetlaxochitl."

Please make check payable to
St. Timothy Presbyterian Church.

*Note: Please fill in the form below, include payment and leave it in the file outside the office door. Please **do not** place your order in the offering. Another option is to send the order directly to the church office.*

Order deadline is November 10

Cost per flower - \$15.00

	<u>Quantity</u>
*Poinsettia	_____
<u>Total Cost</u>	\$_____

***No colors are listed due to supply challenges this year. Red or white poinsettias will be delivered. Thank you for being flexible!**

Flowers are donated by: _____

in memory of _____

in honor of _____

*in thanksgiving
for* _____