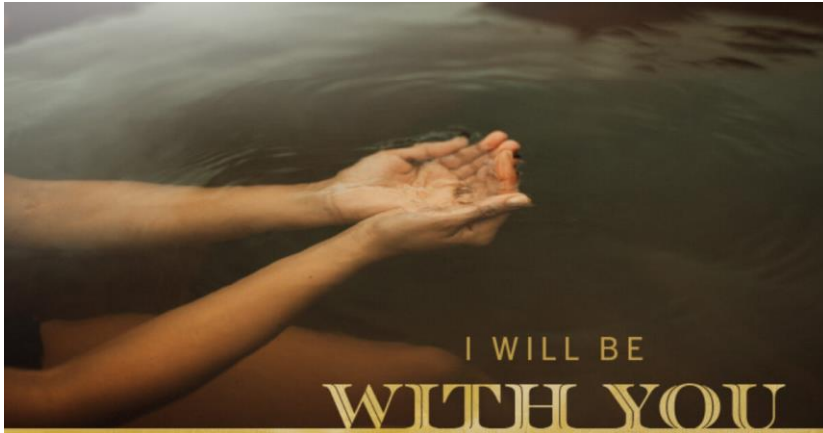


January 12, 2025
Baptism of the Lord



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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 “Be Not Afraid” Bob Dufford
INTROIT “Come into His Presence”
PASTORAL WELCOME
*CALL TO WORSHIP Luke 3:21-22
The voice of God resounds upon the water.
The Spirit of the Lord hovers over the stream.
The Son of God is named, “Beloved.”
And all who worship shout out, “Glory!”
Ascribe to the Lord majesty and strength.
Let us worship God in holy splendor.
HYMN “Sing of God Made Manifest” see insert
CALL TO CONFESSION
SILENT CONFESSION
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION
We are precious in your sight, yet we often forget that we are your beloved. We confess that our love is fickle and inconstant. We follow selfish goals and deny that our way of life harms others and hurts your world. We are sorry and we want to change. Create in us a clean heart, strengthen our resolve, reconcile us one to another, and bless us with your peace. Amen.
*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS
Beloved, God forgives our sins; know that you are pardoned and be at peace to love the Lord and serve the world.
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.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

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 Isaiah 43:1-7

A TIME FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN Kathy Turnbull

SPECIAL MUSIC "Take Me to the Water"

GOSPEL READING Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam
"Expectant Waiting"

HYMN "Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove" 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:

O God, at his baptism, you acknowledged Jesus as your beloved Son, and through him you opened to us a way to become your children by grace. May these gifts we return to you be a sign of our dedication to live as your faithful daughters and sons, born in the waters of baptism by the power of the Holy Spirit; through 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 "Another Year Is Dawning" see insert

SENDING AND BENEDICTION

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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.
Amen.*

POSTLUDE

**Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year C, Volume 1*

Sunday, January 12th
Following Along in Worship

1. Today is the:
 - a. The second Sunday in Advent
 - b. The second Sunday after Epiphany
 - c. Baptism of the Lord Sunday
 - d. Ice Cream Sundae
2. What is the Baptism of Jesus all about?
 - a. The promises of God are found in Jesus
 - b. WOW! Look mom, it's Jesus! And he's God too!
 - c. Pools are awesome!
3. What was the topic of today's time with the children? Circle the correct one:
 - a. Fishing is fun! And messy! And fun! And gross!
 - b. What are Chicken Nuggets really made of?
 - c. Jesus claimed by his Father shows the world his love
4. What are your take-aways from the children's message?
5. Today Pastor Joel is preaching from Luke 3:15-17, 21-22. Mark everything that is correct from the message:
 - a. Everyone was wondering how long the pastor's sermon would be.
 - b. Everyone was wondering if John might be the long-awaited Christ.
 - c. John was not the Christ because:
 - i. He wasn't cool enough
 - ii. He wasn't worthy
 - iii. He could only baptize with water
 - d. Then along came Jesus. He was the long-awaited Christ because:
 - i. He knew the secret recipe for Coca-Cola
 - ii. He was claimed by the Holy Spirit
 - e. And this also happened:
 - i. A voice from heaven claimed that Jesus was only ok
 - ii. A voice from heaven claimed that Jesus was his son
 - iii. What? Jesus is the Son of God? Cool!
 - f. Before Jesus actually did anything, God was pleased with him. Sweet!

Serving in Worship

- Greeter: Marlene and Chris Korne
Ushers: Mary Baum, Patty Kreitmeyer
Worship Assistant: Beth Olko
Keyboard: Paula Boegner
Technology: Melanie Gumz
Safety Officer: Richard Belaire
Tellers: Paula Boegner, Kim Gaines
Fellowship Hour: Men's Association

Weekly Bible Studies

The Big “?” Bible Study – Sunday at 12:30 pm Question for this study: *What about the death penalty – isn't it murder?* 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 1:00 pm

We will begin a study of Leviticus.

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

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

Our study is on the passage that Pastor Joel will be preaching on January 19 – Exodus 1:1-22.



Chancel Flowers



Looking forward to 2025 with my St. Timothy family!

Carol Prevost



The 2025 Flower Chart is up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Lots of space is available for those special dates!

Celebrating



Birthdays:

No birthdays this week

Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this month



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

1. COC has a craft day in February and they are looking for folks to help. Wednesday, February 12 at 10:00 am. (All craft days are on the first Wednesday of each month.)

Questions? Please reach out to Mary.

St. Timothy is blessed to have two gals selling cookies! Jillian and Ava would love to help you take care of that girl scout cookie craving that we have every winter.

From Jillian: It's Girl Scout cookie time! Jillian and her troop are still planning their travel adventure, and her digital cookie site is up and ready for pre-orders at <https://DigitalCookie.GirlScouts.org/scout/jillian7392>. Order now to receive personal delivery around Valentine’s Day. Please see [Jillian](#) for more details.

We will also hang an order card with her QR code on the bulletin board, and Jillian will have a good old paper order form with her to take personal orders face-to-face over the next few weeks. Please check in with her anytime to place your cookie order. Thank you.

From Ava: I am in my third year of selling cookies and we earn field trips and badges. If I am not here, reach out to my “Mimi” aka Mary Baum, she has an order form. Thank you!

Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday 1/12	9:20 AM	Handbell Rehearsal
	9:45 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothyusa.org
	After Worship	Fellowship Hour
	12:30 PM	Big "?" Bible Study
Monday 1/13	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
		https://study.sttimothyusa.org
	6:00 PM	TOPS
Tuesday 1/14	9:00 AM	STARS
	1:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
		https://study.sttimothyusa.org
	5:30 PM	Faith Ed Committee
Wednesday 1/15		
Thursday 1/16	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
	5:55 PM	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday 1/17		
Saturday 1/18		
Sunday 1/19	9:45 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothyusa.org
	After Worship	Fellowship Hour
	12:30 PM	Big "?" Bible Study

Housekeeping items:

- Congregational meeting after worship on 1/26/2025 to nominate and elect new Deacons.
- Annual Reports are due on February 2, 2025
- Annual Meeting is February 23, 2025

Sign of God Made Manifest

*Sing of God made manifest in a child robust and blest,
to whose home in Bethlehem where a star had guided them,
magi came and gifts unbound, signs mysterious and profound:
myrrh and frankincense and gold grave and God and king foretold.*

*Sing of God made manifest when at Jordan John confessed,
“I should be baptized by you, but your bidding I will do.”
Then from heaven a double sign – dove like Spirit, voice divine—
hailed the true Anointed One: “This is my beloved Son.”*

*Sing of God made manifest when Christ came as wedding guest
and at Cana gave a sign, turning water into wine;
further still was love revealed as he taught, forgave, and healed,
bringing light and life to all who would listen to God’s call.*

*Sing of God made manifest on the cloud-capped mountain’s crest,
where the law and prophets waned so that Christ alone remained:
glimpse of glory, pledge of grace, given as Jesus set his face
towards the waiting cross and grave, sign of hope that God would
save.*

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

*Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
with all thy quickening powers;
kindle a flame of sacred love
in those cold hearts of ours.*

*In vain we tune our formal songs;
in vain we strive to rise;
hosannas languish on our tongues,
and our devotion dies.*

*Dear Lord, and shall we ever live
at this poor dying rate?
Our love so faint, so cold to thee,
and thine to us so great!
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*Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
with all thy quickening powers;
come, shed abroad a Savior’s love,
and that shall kindle ours.*

Another Year Is Dawning

*Another years is dawning: Dear Father, let it be,
In working or in waiting, Another year with Thee;
Another year of progress, Another year of praise,
Another year of proving Thy presence all the days.*

*Another year of mercies, Of faithfulness and grace;
Another year of gladness In the shining of Thy face;
Another year of leaning Upon Thy loving breast;
Another year of trusting, Of quiet, happy rest.*

*Another year of service, Of witness for Thy love;
Another year of training For holier work above.
Another year is dawning: Dear Father, let it be,
On earth of else in heaven, Another year for Thee.
Amen.*