

March 29, 2026  
Palm Sunday



PALM SUNDAY

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  
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Staff

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

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:

# Welcome!

PRELUDE

PALM SUNDAY CHOIR PROCESSIONAL

*Today the congregation is invited to remain in your seats for the Palm Sunday processional. When the choir begins ringing their bells, please stand and wave your palm branches and celebrate with shouts of “Hosanna”, “Blessed is the King” and “Glory to God”! The handbell and chancel choirs will then enter the sanctuary while playing and singing “Come into his presence singing Jesus is Lord!” All are welcome to join in the singing.*

PASTORAL WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Awaken to the day of triumph for our Savior!

**Give thanks for this day that leads to the cross!**

Come with your branches, hosannas, and songs!

**Fill the air with welcome to the Lord!**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

HYMN

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, sure of your faithfulness even in your dying, comforted by your compassion toward your people in every age, we beg your mercy for our imperfect gratitude. We have rejected the cornerstone you sent to build a people of righteousness even here, today. Forgive our failings. Heal what we have broken, nurture what we have neglected, and lead us to your vision, so that we may know the peace of wholeness in you; in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Your God has come to you, humble, in the form of a bondservant, to free you from the weight of sin and death. Jesus’ obedient suffering has released you. Your sins are forgiven, in the name of the one who is exalted beyond what we can comprehend: Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

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. Amen. 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 Psalm 118:1-2,19-29

A TIME FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN Karlane Belaire

SPECIAL MUSIC "Blessed Is He Who Comes"  
Becki Slagle Mayo

GOSPEL READING Matthew 21:1-11

SERMON "Blessings of the Lord" Pastor Joel Puntigam

HYMN *I Love to Tell the Story* 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 all good gifts, we thank you for showing us the wonder of your mercy. May these gifts proclaim your blessings upon all under your love and care. Give us grateful hearts, O God, in the name of the one who came to draw all people to himself, Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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 *All Glory, Laud and Honor* 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

*Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry;  
thy humble beast pursues its road  
with palms and scattered garments strowed.*

POSTLUDE

*\*Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year A, Volume 1: Advent through Transfiguration.*

**Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**Following Along in Worship**

1. Today we celebrate Palm Sunday. What is your favorite thing about today?
  
2. Lent is just about over. Do you remember what it means?
  - a. It means Spring or renewal
  - b. It means giving up something you like
  - c. It means cleaning out your dryer
  
3. What was the Time for All God's Children about?
  - a. Come, Lord Jesus!
  - b. Tacos for breakfast!
  - c. Palms are like crowns
  
4. What are you looking forward to most about Easter?
  
5. In the sermon, Pastor Joel is teaching from Matthew 21:1-11. Circle all that are true about this passage:
  - a. Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a horse
  - b. Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a young donkey
  - c. The crowds celebrated and shouted for Jesus
  - d. The crowds booed Jesus and told him to leave
  - e. Jesus knew ahead of time he was going to die
  - f. Who is Jesus? He is a man from Albuquerque
  - g. Who is Jesus? He is fully human and God

## Serving in Worship

Greeter:	Dennis Delezenne
Ushers:	Liana Olko, David Olko
Bulletins:	Ron Martin
Worship Assistant:	Tim Chanko
Keyboard:	Linda Delezenne
Technology:	Tina Puntigam
Safety Officer:	Chris Korne
Tellers:	Paula Boegner, TBD
Fellowship Hour:	Mission & Outreach

### Weekly Bible Studies

**Afterglow Bible Study** – *See you Sunday, April 12 at 12:00 pm*

In Room 16. Study will be an after-service sermon recap.

**The Word Together Zoom Bible Study** – *Tuesday at 1:30 pm*

We are doing a study on the book of John.

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

**Zoom Bible Study** – *On hiatus until later this year*

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 April 5 – Matthew 28:1-10.



Chancel Flowers

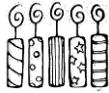


Thank you for all the prayers and cards that were sent  
to me and my sister.

Carol Prevost



The **2026** Flower Chart is up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.  
Consider honoring a special person on a Sunday. Also, the flowers  
add a pop of color which is always nice.



**Birthdays:**

March 30

Ava Woodard

March 31

Trish Abela

**Anniversaries:**

No anniversaries this week



**Sunday, March 29 – Easter Egg Hunt**

**Friday, April 3 – Deacon Easter Breakfast Set up and Good Friday Worship at Rosedale Gardens**

**Sunday, April 5 – Deacon Breakfast, Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Worship**

**Tuesday, April 14 – Presbytery of Detroit**

**Tuesday's April 14, 21 and 28 – Inquirers/New Members Classes**

**Sunday, April 19 – Easter Caroling**



COC has a craft day in April and they are looking for folks to help. St. Timothy is hosting. Wednesday, April 1 at 10 am. Questions? Please reach out to Mary Baum.



Rosedale Gardens will be hosting an evening service on Good Friday (April 3) with St. Paul's and St. Timothy. The service will be at 7:00 pm. All are welcome, please invite friends and family.

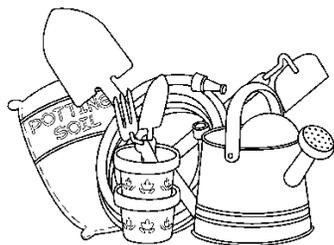


Greg Kateff is hosting a New Members & Inquirers class on three consecutive Tuesdays (April 14, April 21 and April 28) from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. We plan to review and discuss everything you ever wanted to know about being Presbyterian. Especially important if you are planning on joining as a member but is also a great refresher even if you are a long-time member.

Register your interest by calling the office (734-464-8844) or email ([sttimothy@sttimothyusa.org](mailto:sttimothy@sttimothyusa.org)) so we have class materials ready.



On Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, the Mission & Outreach committee is hosting a community wide Easter egg hunt. The fun starts at 1:00 pm. If you would like to help, there is a sign up in the fellowship hall. We also need donations of candy to fill the eggs.



There is currently space available in the St Timothy vegetable garden area. In the past, St Timothy had grown vegetables and donated them to members and to local area food banks. However, for various reasons, including less demand, the church recently stopped operating the garden and has allowed church members to use the area for their own personal use. If you are interested and want to find out more, please talk to Chris Korne, Paula Boegner, or myself. Thank you. Tim Falk



Attention Ladies! (**Guys welcome too**) We are going to the Robert and Janet Bennett Civic Center Library in Livonia to hear some gospel, bluegrass, blues, folk, and country music from Livonia's own Bluesdad. Date is Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> and the address is: 32777 Five Mile Road - Livonia, MI 48154. The concert is in the atrium. Meet at church at 11:30 am to carpool or we will see you at the library. The concert is from 12:15 pm - 1:00 pm. You are welcome to bring a bag lunch to enjoy there or we will eat lunch after the concert. There is a sign-up in Fellowship Hall.



The 2026 Per capita is \$41.00 per member. The per capita assessment exists as a way for all Presbyterians to share costs that belong to the whole church, to give meaning to the interdependent nature of Presbyterian polity. This is a set amount of money (apportionment) per member that congregations pay to the larger Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

The 2026 Initial Offering Envelope is designed to allow every member the opportunity to donate funds to help defray the cost of our 2026 weekly envelopes. Regular use of these envelopes is important for the support St. Timothy's programs and mission.

Thank you for helping us with these financial commitments.



The usher stand now has current directories, the weekly prayer and praise list, The Daily Bread Devotionals and other resources.



A couple of changes to the recent directory:

1. Dave and Linda Houghtby have shut down their landline.
2. Dave's email is:  
[dhoughtb@gmail.com](mailto:dhoughtb@gmail.com)

Please update your personal copy.

## Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday 3/29	9:45 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Family Worship - Palm Sunday
		<a href="https://video.sttimothypcusa.org">https://video.sttimothypcusa.org</a>
	After worship	Fellowship Hour
	1:00 PM	Easter Egg Hunt
Monday 3/30	6:00 PM	TOPS
Tuesday 3/31	7:30 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
		202-926-1029 - access code 235645
	9:00 AM	STARS
	1:30 PM	The Word Together Zoom Bible Study
		<a href="https://study.sttimothypcusa.org">https://study.sttimothypcusa.org</a>
Wednesday 4/1	7:00 PM	Total Surrender Brotherhood
Thursday 4/2	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
	5:55 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	6:00 PM	Compassionate Friends
Friday 4/3	All Day	Friday Fasting
	All Day	Office closed
	9:30 AM	Deacon Breakfast Setup
	7:00 PM	Good Friday Service at Rosedale Gardens
Saturday 4/4	All Day	Building closed until sundown
Sunday 4/5	9:00 AM	Deacon Breakfast
	TBD	Easter Egg Hunt
	9:35 AM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	9:45 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Family Worship - Easter Sunday
		<a href="https://video.sttimothypcusa.org">https://video.sttimothypcusa.org</a>

### Upcoming Fellowship Hours

4/5 - Deacon's Easter breakfast

4/19 - Anything Goes

4/12 - Choirs

4/26 - Faith Circle

## Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

*Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;  
through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to His breast,  
the children sang their praises, the simplest said the best.*

*From Olivet they followed, 'mid an exultant crowd,  
the victor palm branch waving, and changing clear and loud;  
the Lord of earth and heaven, rode on in lowly state,  
nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.*

*“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,  
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King.  
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,  
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.*

## I Love to Tell the Story

*I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love;  
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true,  
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.  
I love to tell the story! 'Twill be my theme in glory -  
To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.*

*I love to tell the story -'tis pleasant to repeat  
What seems, each time I tell it more wonderfully sweet;  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word.  
I love to tell the story! 'Twill be my theme in glory -  
To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.*

*I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest,  
And when in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
'Twill be the old, old story, that I have loved so long.  
I love to tell the story! 'Twill be my theme in glory -  
To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.*

## All Glory, Laud and Honor

*All glory, laud and honor  
To Thee, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring:  
Thou art the King of Israel,  
Thou David's royal Son,  
Who in the Lord's name comest,  
The King and blessed One!*

*The company of angels  
Are praising Thee on high,  
And mortal men and all things  
Created make reply:  
The people of the Hebrews  
With palms before Thee went:  
Our praise and prayer and anthems  
Before Thee we present.*

*To Thee, before Thy passion,  
They sang their hymns of praise;  
To Thee, now high exalted,  
Our melody we raise:  
Thou didst accept their praises—  
Accept the praise we bring,  
Who in all good delightest,  
Thou good and gracious King!  
Amen*