

April 12, 2026
2nd Sunday of Easter



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
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:

Welcome!

PRELUDE

INTROIT

“Christ Is Alive”

Brian Wren

PASTORAL WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

1 Peter 1:13-9

Blessed be the God of our Savior, Jesus Christ!

God has given us a new birth in the living hope of the resurrection. God has given us an inheritance that is imperishable and unfading. In this we rejoice, even when we suffer trials. For although we have not seen Jesus, we love him; and although we have not seen him, we believe in him.

For the outcome of our faith is the salvation of our souls. Alleluia!

HYMN

The Day of Resurrection

see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, you have made known to us the ways of life. Yet, too often, we put other things above you and turn away from the ways of life and toward the ways of death. Forgive us and guide us back into your presence, that we may know the fullness of joy. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

My friends, God is our refuge and strength. He will not abandon us! In Jesus Christ, we are reconciled to God. This is a promise of peace and joy; for by his sacrifice we are forgiven.

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 Exodus 15:1-2

A TIME FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN Karlane Belaire

SPECIAL MUSIC "In the Garden" C. Austin Miles

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 20:19-31

SERMON "So That We May Believe" Pastor Joel Puntigam

HYMN *There Is a Redeemer* 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:

Generous God, you are our portion and our cup. In you our hearts are glad, our souls rejoice, and our bodies rest. Bless and multiply our offerings and pledges that they may bring the joy of your presence more deeply into the world. 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 *Our God Reigns* see insert

SENDING AND BLESSING

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

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead.

Alleluia! He is risen as He said.

Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead.

POSTLUDE

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

Sunday, April 12th
Following Along in Worship

1. Today we celebrate the second Sunday of Easter. What difference does Easter make in your life?
2. After Jesus was resurrected, he appeared to his disciples. What was their reaction?
 - a. They were overjoyed
 - b. They partied hard
 - c. They didn't believe
3. What was the Time for All God's Children about?
 - a. Why spring is so awesome
 - b. God always keeps his promises
 - c. Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious
4. Why do we sometimes doubt that God keeps his promises?
5. In the sermon, Pastor Joel is teaching from John 20:19-31 Circle all that are true about this passage:
 - a. The disciples had gathered for fear of:
 - i. Ronald McDonald
 - ii. What the Jews might do
 - b. Then Jesus appeared – pow!!
 - c. He calmed them and showed them:
 - i. A meal from Chick-fil-A
 - ii. His hands and feet
 - d. Then he breathed the Spirit on them!
 - e. Thomas didn't believe
 - i. because he didn't care
 - ii. because he wasn't there
 - f. We are blessed because we believe even if we don't see!

Serving in Worship

Greeter:	Dorothy Sanchez
Ushers:	Mary Baum, Patty Kreitmeyer
Bulletins:	Ron Martin
Worship Assistant:	Beth Olko
Keyboard:	Paula Boegner
Technology:	Scott Gaines
Safety Officer:	Tim Chanko
Tellers:	Paula Boegner, Patty Kreitmeyer
Fellowship Hour:	Choirs

Weekly Bible Studies

Afterglow Bible Study – See you Sunday 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

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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 April 12 – Luke 24:13-35.



Chancel Flowers



In memory of my friend Glenna,
Muriel Martin



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:

April 12

Azar Brandon

Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week



- Tuesday, April 14** – Presbytery of Detroit Benefits
- Tuesday's April 14, 21 and 28** – Inquirers/New Members Classes
- Sunday, April 19** – Easter Caroling
- Saturday, April 25** – Church Clean Up
- Sunday, May 17** – Organ Dedication
- Monday, May 18** – Life Line Medical Screening
- Saturday and Sunday, May 22 and 23** – St. Timothy Crafting



COC has a craft day in May and they are looking for folks to help. St. Timothy is hosting. Wednesday, May 6 at 10 am. Questions? Please reach out to Mary Baum.



Spring cleanup day for St. Timothy will be on April 25, beginning at 9:00 am. All are invited to participate. There are a wide variety of items to be taken care of – both inside and out. Nothing too strenuous. Coffee and snacks will be served in the morning and lunch will be served early afternoon.

Please mark your calendar and come help us make St. Timothy sparkle. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall

Regards,
Chris Korne



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@sttimothypcusa.org) so we have class materials ready.



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 16th 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 Finance and Stewardship Committee

Save the Date

Craft Days at St. Timothy on Friday, May 22 and Saturday, May 23. More details. Please mark your calendar.

Spring concert dates with the Farmington Chorus

Oh, the Places You'll Go!
- Friday, May 8, 8:00pm
- Saturday, May 9, 4:00pm

People can get tickets by either going to the link (see below) or by seeing Cassy. She just needs to know what date. Farmington Chorus are issuing actual tickets this year because their last concert sold out. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door, but Cassy suggests you get your tickets early. People were turned away at the door last year because the venue reached capacity.

P.S. It will be the same music for both performances, but Cassy will be doing an additional solo on Saturday.

<https://facebook.com/events/s/oh-the-places-youll-go-spring-/1284170803689823/>

Detroit Lutheran Singers

Matt Johnson sings with the Detroit Lutheran Singers and he invites you to one of his spring concerts!

Saturday, April 18 – 7:00 pm
 Royal Oak First United Meth
 320 W. 7th Street, Royal Oak

Sunday, April 19 – 3:00 pm
 Central United Methodist
 3882 Highland Rd Waterford

Saturday, April 25, 7:00 pm
 Orchard UMC
 30450 Farmington Rd, FH

Sunday, April 26 – 3:00 pm
 Cherry Hill Presbyterian
 24110 Cherry Hill Dearborn

Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday 4/12	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothypcusa.org
	11:30 AM	<i>Fellowship Hour</i>
	12:00 PM	Afterglow Bible Study
Monday 4/13	1:30 PM	Finance Committee
	5:30 PM	<i>Men's Association Dinner</i>
	6:00 PM	TOPS
Tuesday 4/4	7:30 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
		202-926-1029 - access code 235645
	9:00 AM	<i>STARS</i>
	10:00 AM	Presbytery of Detroit Benefits Meeting
	1:30 PM	<i>The Word Together Zoom Bible Study</i>
		https://study.sttimothypcusa.org
	5:30 PM	Faith Education
Wednesday 4/15	6:30 PM	Strategic Planning
	7:00 PM	<i>Total Surrender Brotherhood</i>
Thursday 4/16	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
	5:55 PM	<i>Handbell Rehearsal</i>
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday 4/17		
Saturday 4/18		
Sunday 4/19	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothypcusa.org
	11:30 AM	<i>Fellowship Hour</i>
	12:00 PM	Afterglow Bible Study

Upcoming Fellowship Hours

4/19 – Anything Goes

4/26 - Faith Circle

5/10 – Men's Association

5/17 – Favorite Brunch Dish

**Remember, Easter Caroling next Sunday, April 19th
 After service at 1:00 pm**

The Day of Resurrection

*The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness, The Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, From earth unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over With hymns of victory.*

*Our hearts be pure from evil, That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal Of resurrection light;
And, list'ning to His accents, May hear, so calm and plain,
His own "All hail!" and, hearing, May raise the victor strain.*

*Now let the heav'ns be joyful! Let earth her song begin!
The world resound in triumph, And all that is therein;
Let all things seen and unseen Their notes of gladness blend;
For Christ the Lord hath risen, Our Joy that hath no end.*

There Is a Redeemer

*There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.
Thank You, oh, my Father, for giving us Your Son,
and leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.*

*Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain.
Thank You, oh, my Father, for giving us Your Son,
and leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.*

*When I stand in Glory, I will see His face,
There I'll serve my King forever In that holy place.
Thank You, oh, my Father, for giving us Your Son,
and leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.*

Our God Reigns

*How lovely on the mountains
are the feet of him who brings good news, good news
Announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness.
Our God reigns, Our God reigns!
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!*

*He had no stately form, He had no majesty,
That we should be drawn to Him.
He was despised and we took no account of Him,
Yet now He reigns with the Most High.
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!*

*Out from the tomb He came with grace and majesty,
He is alive, He is alive.
God loves us so, see here His hands, His feet, His side.
Yes, we know, He is alive.
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!*