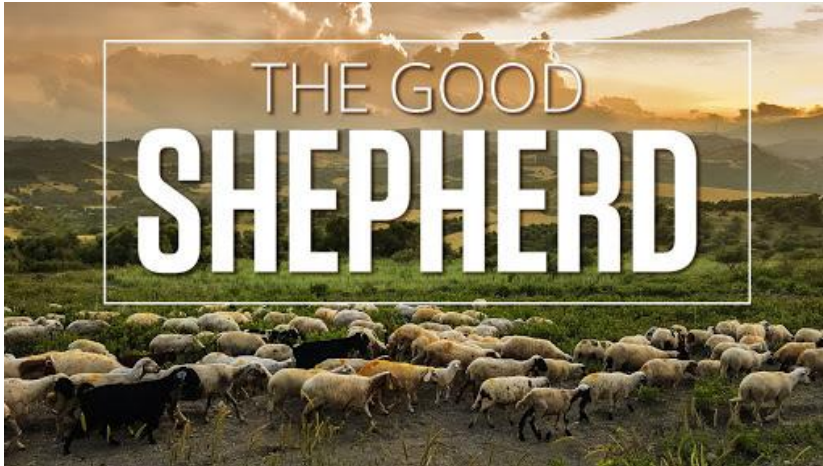


April 26, 2026
4th Sunday of Easter



St. Timothy Presbyterian Church
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Monday-Thursday: 9:30 am to 2:30 pm
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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

INTROIT

“Hallelujah, ‘Tis Done”

Philip P. Bliss

PASTORAL WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul.

He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

HYMN

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, you call to us, but often we do not listen. We are so busy speaking, we forget that we are also supposed to be listening. We are so busy looking for what we want, we forget to look for what you want from us. Quiet our fear, our greed, and even our uncertainty, that we may seek you, hear you, and know you. Forgive us our one-way conversations, our short-sighted solutions, and our narrow fields of vision. We pray in the name of the Spirit of Jesus, who was crucified for our sake and who is risen from the dead. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, the promise of our faith is that if we entrust ourselves to the One who judges justly, we need not feel threatened, for we will be returned to righteousness. Having been brought back into the safety of God's fold, let us share our peace with one another.

Amen and Alleuia!

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.
Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet, and a Light unto my path.*

EPISTLE READING I Peter 2:21-25

A TIME FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN Greg Kateff

SPECIAL MUSIC "Once Upon a Tree" Pepper Choplin

GOSPEL READING John 10:1-10

SERMON "The Shepherd and His Sheep" Pastor Joel Puntigam

HYMN *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want* 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 "Crown Him With Many Crowns"
George J. Elvey/arr David Angerman

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 and generous God, you have anointed us and we are yours. Bless these tithes and offerings that they may become green pastures and still waters for any and all who need your comfort and restoration. 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 *He Lives* 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 26th
Following Along in Worship

1. Today we celebrate the fourth Sunday of Easter in which we celebrate being a part of a community. What are some benefits of belonging to a church?
2. How is Jesus amazing?
 - a. He's not
 - b. He cares for us and looks out for us
 - c. He died for us and sets us free!
3. What was the Time for All God's Children about today?
 - a. The King is dead! Long live the King!
 - b. Monkeys like bananas and so do I
 - c. Jesus the Good Shepherd
4. What is a way that Jesus shows that he cares for you?
5. Pastor Joel is teaching from John 10:1-10 Circle all that are true about this passage:
 - a. The one who enters the gate is the shepherd
 - b. The one who climbs the wall is the shepherd
 - c. Jesus is the shepherd who keeps the sheep safe
 - d. When Jesus calls we:
 - i. Run away
 - ii. Don't listen
 - iii. Come to the sound of his voice
 - e. When Jesus says he is the gate, he means:
 - i. He is a literal gate. Squeaky!
 - ii. He is a way that we all find safety

Serving in Worship

Greeter:	Jean Suveg
Ushers:	Chris Korne, Lou Suveg
Bulletins:	Ron Martin
Worship Assistant:	Greg Kateff
Keyboard:	Linda Delezenne
Technology:	Tim Chanko
Safety Officer:	Dennis Delezenne
Tellers:	Paula Boegner, Kim Gaines
Fellowship Hour:	Faith Circle

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

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 May 3 – John 14:1-14.



Chancel Flowers



In memory of Delbert & Florence Barhite and
Daniel & Evelyn Baum,
Mike and Mary Baum



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 30

Marty Johnson

Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week

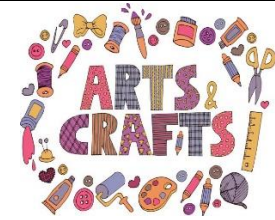
Sunday, May 17 – Organ Dedication
Monday, May 18 – Life Line Medical Screening
Friday and Saturday, May 15 and 16 – St. Timothy Crafting
Saturday, June 27 – Friendship Club



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.



Thanks to all of you who helped with the spring cleanup yesterday. The building looks clean and shiny inside out! Thanks to the folks who prepared food too.



Calling all crafters to St. Timothy Craft Days!!

Quilters, knitters, crocheters, scrapbookers, diamond dotters, painters, stamp collectors, jewelry makers, etc!

Date change from Memorial Day Weekend to:
May 15 from 1 pm – 9 pm, dinner included and
May 16 from 8 am -4 pm, lunch included

Come join us for 2 days dedicated to your craft. All are welcome!!

Cost is \$7.50/day, \$15.00 for both days
Under 18 FREE

Registration forms are on the table in the narthex; please turn form and money into Carol, Dorothy or Sue by May 10th.

Any questions, see Carol Prevost, Dorothy Sanchez, or Sue Zabell



Because many children go without breakfast during the summer, the Mission and Outreach Committee will be collecting cereal for Hope Clinic and the Presbytery. The cereal drive will run through the month of May and the first week of June. Thank you for helping with this ministry.



Ladies Potluck Luncheon! Hi Ladies, on Friday, May 8th we are having a potluck luncheon. This will replace our monthly outing. Bring a dish to pass. Time is from 11:30-1:00 in the fellowship hall. There is a sign up on the bulletin board.



Name tags were ordered this past week. As soon as they are here, we will let you know. Thank you for your patience!



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

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

Spring concert dates with the Farmington Chorus

Oh, the Places You'll Go!

- Friday, May 8, 8:00 pm
- Saturday, May 9, 4:00 pm

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://farmingtonchorus.com/content/tickets>

Session Highlights, April 7th, 2026

Building use update

1. Life Line Medical Screening will be back to use the Fellowship Hall on August 10th from 8 – 6PM.
2. Craft Weekend is starting up again on Friday, May 15th from 1 – 8PM and Saturday, May 16th from 8 – 5PM.

Church Safety

1. Session formed a Church Safety work group which is comprised of the STARS. They gave their first update.
 - a. The workgroup will be focused on 4 main areas.
 - i. Medical emergencies.
 - ii. Fire and Smoke emergencies.
 - iii. Weather events.
 - iv. Shelter in place.

Church Finance

1. Session approved a new Money Handling Policy. This policy establishes clear guidelines on how the Church handles the funds given by our members and friends in a secure and transparent way.

Church Properties

1. St Timothy received some current quotes on a couple of projects that we are saving for.
 - a. A complete new boiler system would cost \$35,000.
 - b. The roof is being quoted two ways. The flat roof over the sanctuary would cost \$43,325. The quote for the flat roof over the rest of the build is still being worked on.

Worship

1. Our beautiful new organ donated by the members of St Andrews has been fully installed and will be dedicated immediately after worship on Sunday, May 17th.

Mission & Outreach

1. A new prayer box which was built by Rich Belaire and installed by the STARS is now in front of the church near the sidewalk. Once again, we are reaching out to our neighbors.
2. There will be another “Friendship Club “ party on June 27th from 4-6 PM. What a wonderful way to share Gods love.

Nominating

1. We are still looking for another Elder to serve on Session. Being an Elder is an amazing experience. Are you being called? Please see Lou Suveg or Pastor Joel to discuss.

Pastors Report

1. Pastor Joel reported that the Total Surrender Brotherhood who are meeting at St Timothy for bible study on Wednesday nights are doing very well. They have experienced a growing group of men coming with Pastor Joel as their mentor. Last Wednesday Pastor Joel with Elder Dennis Delezenne served communion using the St Andrews communion table. It was beautiful time of sharing, study, and prayer.

Dennis Delezenne
Clerk of Session

Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday 4/26	9:35 AM	Handbell Rehearsal
	9:45 AM	<i>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</i>
	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothydcusa.org
	11:30 AM	<i>Fellowship Hour</i>
	12:00 PM	Afterglow Bible Study
Monday 4/27	6:00 PM	TOPS
	7:00 PM	Inquirers/New Member Class
Tuesday 4/28	7:30 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
		202-926-1029 - access code 235645
	9:00 AM	<i>STARS</i>
	1:30 PM	The Word Together Zoom Bible Study
		https://study.sttimothydcusa.org
	6:00 PM	<i>Kindred Spirits Quilting</i>
	7:00 PM	Inquirers/New Member Class
Wednesday 4/29	7:00 PM	Total Surrender Brotherhood
Thursday 4/30	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
	5:55 PM	<i>Handbell Rehearsal</i>
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday 5/1		
Saturday 5/2	All Day	Kindred Spirits Quilting
Sunday 5/3	9:45 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	<i>Family Worship</i>
		https://video.sttimothydcusa.org
	11:30 AM	<i>Fellowship Hour</i>
	12:00 PM	<i>Afterglow Bible Study</i>

Upcoming Fellowship Hours

5/3 – Favorite Finger Food

5/17 – Favorite Brunch Dish

5/10 – Men’s Association

5/24 – Anything Goes

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand;
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more,
Feed me till I want no more.*

*Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through;
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield,
Be Thou still my strength and shield.*

*When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Bear me thro' the swelling current,
Land me safe on Canaan's side;
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee,
I will ever give to Thee,
Amen.*

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

*The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In Pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.*

*My soul He doth restore again;
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for His own name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still*

*My table Thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.*

*Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house forever more
My dwelling place shall be.
Amen.*

He Lives

*I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;
I know that He is living, whatever men may say;
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer,
And just the time I need Him He's always near.
He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart.*

*In all the world around me I see His loving care,
And tho' my heart grows weary, I never will despair;
I know that He is leading thro' all the stormy blast,
The day of His appearing will come at last.
He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart.*

*Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help of all who find,
None other is so loving, so good and kind.
He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my he*