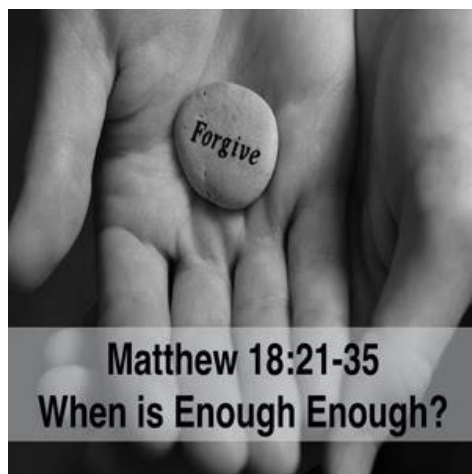


September 13, 2026
16th Sunday after Pentecost



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

<https://video.sttimothypcusa.org>

Welcome!

PRELUDE

INTROIT

“Arise, Shine”

Gary Alan Smith

PASTORAL WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Listen! The Lord calls out to us, offering life!

Teach, lead, turn us to your ways, O God.

Walk in the paths of God’s commandments with delight.

Teach, lead, turn us to your ways, O God.

With our whole heart, we will turn to you and live!

HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, deliver us. Turn us away from the death sin inflicts. Lead us into the abundant life Christ brings. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us to forgive, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Laying aside the works of darkness, we live in the light of Christ. Gathered in Christ’s name, surely he is among us, full of grace and truth.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and lifted up to new life. 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. 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 Genesis 50:15-20

A TIME FOR ALL GOD’S CHILDREN Matt Johnson

SPECIAL MUSIC “Come, Sing to the Lord” Lowell Cooper

GOSPEL READING Matthew 18:21-35

SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam
“Forgiveness Received, Forgiveness Extended”

HYMN *I Love to Tell the Story* see insert

AFFIRMATION: from *The Shorter Catechism*

Q1: What is the chief end of man?

A: Man’s chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Q2: What rule has God given to direct how we may glorify and enjoy him?

A: The Word of God which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.

Q4: What is God?

A: God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.

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:

Holy God of holy ground, like Moses, we question our fitness to serve heaven’s purposes on earth. Overcome our qualms with the assurance of your presence; bless these offerings that, through them, we may do your will; in the name of the Triune One. 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 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* 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

***The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
we go in Jesus’ name to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God’s favor to proclaim.***

**Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year A, Volume 2*

Sunday, September 13th Following Along in Worship

1. Who is Jesus of Nazareth?
 - a. A pretty cool dude
 - b. He plays the drums in a band
 - c. He's the Christ, the Son of God
 - d. No, he totally is that drummer dude.
 - e. Wait a minute! Jesus is the Messiah! C'mon!
2. What does it mean for Jesus to be *your* Savior?
3. What was the Time for all God's Children about today?
 - a. Is 2026 the end?
 - b. Best pizza: Marcos vs Cottage Inn
 - c. The importance of forgiveness
4. Why does Jesus tell us that we need to forgive others? What happens when we don't?
5. In the sermon, Pastor Joel is teaching from Matthew 18:21-35. Circle all that are true:
 - a. Jesus told Peter that he needs to forgive others this many times:
 - i. Never!
 - ii. Once
 - iii. 7 times
 - iv. 70 times 7!
 - b. To prove his points, Jesus tells a parable about:
 - i. Everyone who forgives everyone for everything
 - ii. A servant who could not repay a debt
 - iii. Another servant who could not repay debt owed to the first servant
 - iv. Everything turned out fine!
 - v. Actually, the one who was forgiven much, but could not forgive, was thrown into prison!
 - vi. Unless we forgive, the same fate awaits us!

Serving in Worship

Greeter:	Jean Suveg
Ushers:	Mary Baum, Patty Kreitmeyer
Bulletins:	Ron Martin
Worship Assistant:	Jillian Sautter
Keyboard:	Linda Delezenne
Technology:	Scott Gaines
Safety Officer:	Lou Suveg
Tellers:	Patty Kreitmeyer, TBD
Fellowship Hour:	Rally Day

Weekly Bible Studies

Afterglow Bible Study – Sunday at 12:00 pm In Room 16. Study will be an after-service sermon recap.

The Word Together Zoom Bible Study Tuesday – See you at 1:30 pm. We continue our study on Romans.

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

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

Our study is on the passage that Tina Puntigam will be preaching on September 20 – Matthew 20:1-16.



Chancel Flowers



In memory of my husband Jerry and son Keith,
Carol Ramsay

The **2026** Flower Chart is up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. **Last open date is November 8.** Consider honoring a special person or event. Also, the flowers add a pop of color which is always nice.



Birthdays:

September 14

September 15

September 17

Anniversaries:

September 18

Knox Brandon

Rich Belaire

Nancy Evans

Chris and Marlene Korne (55 yrs)



Sunday, September 13 - Rally Day

Monday, September 14 – ADR putting together gift baskets

Friday, September 25 – Another Day Resource Fundraiser

Sunday, October 11 – Crop Walk

Saturday, October 17 – Church Clean Up Day

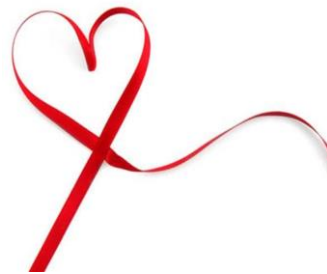
Sunday, October 18 – Talent show during Fellowship Hour

Friday, November 20 & Saturday, November 21 – Project Days



COC has a craft day in November and they are looking for folks to help. St. Timothy is hosting. Wednesday, November 4th 10:30 am. Questions? Please reach out to Mary Baum.

Do you have someone that is in need of prayer? Put their name on a prayer ribbon and tie it to the fence out front. Write your concerns and worries and give them to God. Give Him thanks and praises. The prayer ribbons are a spiritual and awesome sight to see fluttering in the wind. Ribbons are on the table in the main entry.



Get ready for a fun exciting time at “St. Timothy’s Got Talent”. It will be on Sunday, October 18th during fellowship. Do you like to sing, dance, play an instrument or act? Maybe recite a poem or do karaoke? Prepare a solo or put a group together. We will have a potluck as well! There will be sign-ups in Fellowship Hall for both talent and the potluck. Questions? Reach out to Tim Falk, Mary Baum or Greg Kateff.



A reminder about the recycling bins in the kitchen. There are 2 recycling cans in the kitchen under the counter for your cardboard, paper, plastics, (#’s 1-7), glass and aluminum.

PLEASE DO NOT put plastic bags, saran wrap, storage bags, food scraps or Styrofoam in these containers.

There are 2 black plastic bag holders hanging in the kitchen for your plastic grocery store bags.

Ladies, all are welcome to this special event led by Cynthia of Another Day Resource Center.



Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Presbytery of Detroit Hunger Ministries Program, we sincerely thank you for your generous donation of boxes of cereal for our Summer Drive.

Michigan explicitly identifies summer as a period when food insecurity increases because children lose access to school breakfast and lunch. Your donation makes a big difference in a child's life and to families in general.

Local food banks and pantries are reporting increased demand, with more families—especially working families – seeking assistance.

Your kindness, generosity and continued support is greatly appreciated.

Blessings,

Elizabeth Ngare
Hunger Action Coordinator
Presbytery of Detroit

Reach out to Kathey Turnbull
for more information! It would be fun
to put some St. Timothy tables together.



Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday 9/13	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothypcusa.org
	after worship	Rally Day
Monday 9/14	11:00 AM	Another Day Resource
	5:30 PM	TOPS
	5:30 PM	Men's Association at Houghtby's
Tuesday 9/15	7:30 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
		https://study.sttimothypcusa.org
	9:00 AM	STARS
	1:30 PM	The Word Together Zoom Bible Study
		https://study.sttimothypcusa.org
	6:30 PM	Nominating
Wednesday 9/16	7:00 PM	Total Surrender Brotherhood
Thursday 9/17	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
	5:55 PM	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday 9/18		
Saturday 9/19	8:00 AM	Men's Association Breakfast
Sunday 9/20	10:30 AM	Family Worship
		https://video.sttimothypcusa.org
	after worship	Fellowship Hour
	12:00 PM	After Glow Bible Study

Upcoming Fellowship Hours

9/20 – Favorite brunch dish

9/27 – Anything Goes

10/4 – A dish that starts with your initial

10/11 – Favorite Mexican Dish

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.*

*All thy works with joy surround thee;
earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.*

*Mortals, join the happy chorus
which the morning stars began.
Love divine is reigning o'er us,
joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward
in the triumph song of life.*

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.
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*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.*

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.*