

This Week at St. Timothy

February 25, 2024

Sunday 2/25	Worship Service Grace Cafe Sunday School	8:30AM & 11AM 9:30AM 10:00AM
Monday 2/26	Office Closed Young Adult Bible Study	10:30AM 7 :00PM
Tuesday 2/27	Staff Meeting Love Quilting Group Praise Team	9:30AM 1:00PM 6:30PM
Wednesday 2/28	Centering Prayer Confirmation Co-op Bible Study	12:00PM 5:30PM 7:00P.M
Thursday 2/29	Men In Mission Bible Study Sarah Tent Lenten Worship Bells Choir	7:00AM 10:30AM 11AM & 7:00PM 4:30PM 5:30PM
Friday 3/1	Office Closed Al-Anon	8:00PM
Saturday 3/2	Men's Prayer Breakfast @ St. Timothy Worship Service	8:00AM 5:00PM
Sunday 3/3	Worship Service Grace Café <i>Joyful Service</i>	8:30AM & 11AM 9:30AM <i>10:00 AM</i>

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February 24-25, 2024
Second Sunday
of Lent

OUR MISSION
A caring church sharing
Jesus with the world by
offering help, hope and
home.

We Worship our God, Host and Head
of our Church Jesus Christ

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

The Disciples of St. Timothy Lutheran Church extend a special welcome to our guests and invite you to share with us in our ministry, our mission, our fellowship and our growth! If you are a visitor, please notice the Welcome cards in the pews. Please fill out the back of the card and place in the offering plate or give to an usher.

FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Please speak with the ushers if you have any special needs. Specialized hearing devices are available upon request. Holy Communion will be shared in the pew upon request with an usher, if you are unable to go to the altar area.

NURSERY & RESTROOMS

If you are in need of nursery facilities, please ask an usher (parental supervision required). All restrooms are located in the atrium area.

HOLY COMMUNION

You may come forward during this time to receive Holy Communion (at direction of the ushers) if you are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, our Savior, is truly present in the bread and wine you are about to receive. You may receive Communion by receiving the wafer (gluten free upon request) in your hand and receiving an individual cup of wine (or grape juice). If someone in your family has not yet received communion and would like to, please contact the Pastor. If you only want a blessing, come forward with your arms across your chest. May God bless us with forgiveness, strength and love as we share in this precious moment with our Lord!

PRELUDE

INVOCATION

Blessed be † God
who is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and rich in love.
God does not treat us as our sins deserve
nor punish us according to our guilt,
but looks upon us in compassion,
forgives our sin, and heals our lives.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Therefore, let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection,
self-examination and confession.*



During February and March **WELCA** will be collecting food for the migrant workers in Dade City. We particularly need; beans, rice, vegetable oil, tomato sauce, canned tomatoes and flour. Other staple foods are also accepted. Also, sturdy cotton clothing for men, women and children, especially long sleeved shirts. The items will be delivered before Easter. Collection baskets are in the Narthex.
Thank you, we can't do this without you!





February 22- 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Contemplative
 March 21 Lenten Worship Around the Cross
 March 2 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
 @ St. Timothy
 March 3 10:00 a.m. Joyful Service
 March 9 8:30—12:30 WELCA Spring
 Gathering @ St. Timothy
 March 10 Daylight Savings Time Spring Ahead



**Lenten Midweek Worship
 Services Every Thursday
 (starting February 22nd)
 11:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.
 Prayer Around the Cross**

These services are based on "Lectio Divina", which means "divine reading" in Latin. It's a meditative way of reading the Bible in which we let go of our own agendas and open ourselves to what God is trying to say to us.

Please plan to join us for these quiet and contemplative services.



PLEASE look through your closet and see if you can spare slightly used men's jeans, shirts, sweatshirts, jackets, tennis shoes and belts. Also, we completely out of men's underwear and deodorant. THANK YOU!

Have mercy, O God,
against you, you alone, have we sinned.
In your compassion,
cleanse us from our sin
and take away our guilt.
Create in us a new heart,
and give us a steadfast spirit.
Do not cast us away,
but fill us with your Holy Spirit
and restore your joy within us.

As tender as parent to child,
 so gently is God with you.
 As high as heaven is above earth,
 so vast is God's love for you.
 As far as east is from west,
 so far God removes your sin from you,
 renewing your life through **†** Jesus Christ.

Blessed by God who crowns us with mercy and love.
Blessed be God forever.

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GATHERING HYMN
O Word of God Incarnate ELW 514

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

PSALM: 22:23-31

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

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GOSPEL Mark 8:31-38

The Gospel of the Lord:
Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Will You Come and Follow Me ELW 798

SERMON

APOSTLES CREED

THE PRAYERS

Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

A brief silence.



JAMES 5:16

If you want to pray for someone pick up a request.

If you want to be prayed for leave a request.

A table is set up in the Narthex.



Centering Prayer Group
WEDNESDAY'S on Zoom at 12:00pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85880536085?pwd=QUZCanJCVmdsejBhVXM4SXFhendBdz09>

Feel free to invite others!

Contact Sister Mary with any questions.

LUTHERAN
MEN'S MISSION
Building men for Christ

Sonrise Group - Men's Bible Study

Meets Thursday's at the Garden Grille
in Palm Harbor at 7:00 a.m.

All men are welcome!



A prayer chain is a group of God's people praying for one another for healing, peace, strength and/or for discernment. Also, information about illnesses, hospitalizations, deaths or celebrations are shared on the prayer chain. All you need to do is **PRAY!** If you would like to become a St Timothy Prayer Angel, send Gaye an email at: gayePollinoFernandes@gmail.com

Mon	Psalm 119:57-64 Proverbs 25:11-22 Romans 12:9-21	Thurs	Psalm 131 Proverbs 12:22-28 Philippians 2:19-24
Tue	Psalm 119:57-64 Genesis 31:1-3,17-50 Hebrews 12:14-16	Fri	Psalm 131 Isaiah 26:1-6 Philippians 2:25-30
Wed	Psalm 119:57-64 Proverbs 3:27-35 Luke 18:18-30	Sat	Psalm 131 Isaiah 31:1-9 Luke 11:14-23



So I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it and it will be yours. Mark 11:24

Derek
Diane Allwardt
Gregg Weaver
Joanne
Judy Thomas
Karen Ensmenger
Karen Wilcox

Lisa Edwards
Michael Valenti
Phil and Linda
Reynaldo
Sara Rooney
Tim Hartge
Tom Hill



The eternal light and communion wine are given to the Glory of God

We turn to you for meaning, holy God. Nurture in your children the gifts of the Spirit poured out in baptism and let the mind of Christ guide the church. Give wisdom and discernment to our bishops, pastors, deacons, teachers, and leaders. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We turn to you for renewal. Save lives and ecosystems threatened by pollution and a changing climate. Cleanse the earth's waters and restore the soil. Preserve rainforests, deserts, and wildlife, that generations to come may cherish your creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We turn to you for justice. Uphold the worth and dignity of every person, especially any who experience hatred and rejection because of gender, ability, sexual orientation, color, ethnicity, or religion. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We turn to you for healing. Send compassionate helpers to any who suffer because of war and violence. Shelter unhoused people, befriend those who are lonely, bring hope to any in despair, and console the bereaved (especially). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We turn to you for purpose. Remind us of your faithfulness to this congregation. Increase our trust in your guidance and keep us near the cross. Grant that our acts of service will express Christ's sacrificial love. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We turn to you for peace. We honor the saints who lived in service to others (especially Elizabeth Fedde, deaconess, whom we commemorate today). Inspire us by their example until you gather us into your kingdom. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC

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Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come!		
COMMUNION HYMNS:		
I Received the Living God		ELW 477
What Feast of Love		ELW 487
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SENDING HYMN
Faith of Our Fathers

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DISMISSAL

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