

**Sunday, February 15th, 2026
Transfiguration of our Lord
St. Timothy Lutheran Church**



Vision Statement:

**Living in God's amazing grace,
St. Timothy Lutheran Church
nurtures relationships, celebrates
diversity and opens doors so that we
may be a glimpse of
God's kingdom.
Caring, Sharing, Daring**

St. Timothy Mission Statement:

**We intentionally reach out,
seeking and serving,
sharing the joy of Jesus Christ**

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Welcome to St. Timothy! We are honored to have you in worship with us this morning. Everyone is welcome to share Holy Communion at the rail from the altar or with individual cups from the church entrance. See how to use the sets on page 8 under Distribution.

Land Acknowledgement:

St. Timothy Lutheran Church humbly acknowledges that we live within the traditional lands of the Multnomah, Kathlamet, and Clackamas bands of Chinook; the Cowlitz; the Tualatin Kalapuya; the Molalla and many other Tribes who made their homes along the Columbia River. Most of these peoples are currently part of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde. In our place of ministry in Portland, Oregon, St. Timothy thanks God for living and serving in this domain of Native people from over 380 different Tribal backgrounds.

GATHERING

Call to Worship

Jesus on the Mountain Peak

ELW 317

Announcements

Opening Prayer

Thanksgiving Confession and Forgiveness

(Please rise as you are able)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

P: Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

Gathering Song

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ELW 834

Pastoral Greeting: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day *(together)*

C: O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen. *(Please be seated)*

Children's Message

First Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

L: The word of the LORD,

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 2

Why are the nations in an uproar?

Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

**Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt,
and the princes plot together,**

against the Lord and against the Lord's anointed?

"Let us break their yoke," they say;

"let us cast off their bonds from us."

**God whose throne is in heaven is laughing;
the Lord holds them in derision.**

Then in wrath God speaks to them,
and in rage fills them with terror.

**“As for me, I have anointed my king
upon Zion, my holy mountain.”**

Let me announce the decree of the Lord,
who said to me, “You are my son; this day have begotten you.
**Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance
and the ends of the earth for your possession.**

You shall crush them with an iron rod
and shatter them like a piece of pottery.”

**And now, you kings, be wise;
be warned, you rulers of the earth.**

Submit to the Lord with fear,
and with trembling bow in worship;
**lest the Lord be angry, and you perish in a sudden blaze of wrath.
Happy are all who take refuge in God!**

Second Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-21

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

L: The word of the LORD.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please rise as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.)

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please be seated)

SERMON

(Please rise as you are able)

Hymn of the Day: *How Good, Lord, to be Here*

ELW 315

The Apostles' Creed (together)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living 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.**

(Please be seated)

Prayers of Intercession

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

(A brief silence.)

Revealing God, your Spirit sustains the church. Strengthen the faithful with the revelation of Christ transfigured, that we may joyfully follow him in the way of the cross. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

Life-giving God, creation is full of your majesty. Nurture in us a deep respect for the interdependence of all life, and make us wise and vigilant stewards of your good earth. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

Peacemaking God, the nations are in turmoil. We pray for an end to violent conflict (especially Gaza and Ukraine,) Give wisdom to negotiators and sanctuary and basic needs to refugees. Defend any who are in danger. Merciful God,
C: receive our prayer.

Healing God, you desire wholeness for all people. Bring healing to any who are experiencing illness, chronic pain, or mental anguish including Madieri, Kristina, Christine, Anthony L, Deanna, Ron, Johann, Judy H, Pastor Chuck, Al, Barb, Ron, Marshall, Steve, Jaycee, Ernie, and River. We especially pray for Gabriel (Jasmine's husband) and Marilyn Hamada. Comfort the dying and those who grieve especially Allen. Merciful God,
C: receive our prayer.

Holy God, in our worship we glimpse your glory, hear your voice, and receive assurance of your love. Inspire all who prepare, lead, and participate in worship to serve you with reverence and joy. Merciful God,
C: receive our prayer.

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

Transforming God, you bring life from death. We give thanks for the witness of those who have died in faith, and we praise you for the hope we have in Christ, our Morning Star. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior. **C: Amen.**

(Please rise as you are able for sharing of the Peace & The Great Thanksgiving)

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

P: Let us greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

Offertory Hymn: *Praise God from Whom all blessings Flow ELW 885*
Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heav'nly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Offering Prayer: *(together)*

C: God of majesty,

no eye has seen, no ear has heard

what you have prepared for those who love you,

yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.

Use what we have gathered

to feed us with the reign of God come near,

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ...join the unending hymn:

Hymn: *Holy, holy, holy Lord, ELW page 144b*

God of pow'r and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest. (Please be seated)

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer (together)

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION

We welcome you to the Lord's Table to share the Sacrament of Holy Communion with us. If taking communion from the pews, pick up one of the communion plastic cups at the church entrance. When invited by Pastor, take the top off the wafer side and eat. When invited, remove the covering over the drink and drink. Place the empty cup in the container at the end of your pew. If you are taking communion at the rail, ushers will guide you down the side aisle. Please pick up a small chalice as you approach the rail. When space allows, kneel as you are able at the rail. Take and eat the bread, and drink the wine or grape juice. Afterwards, set the chalice on the table in the middle aisle and continue down the aisle to your pew.

Distribution Hymns:

**Lamb of God
Beautiful Savior
By Your Hand You Feed Your People**

*ELW page 146b
ELW 838
ELW 469*

(Please rise as you are able)

Prayer of Thanksgiving: (together)

**C: Radiant God,
we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.
In the sacrament of his body and blood
you have drawn us to your heart.**

We give God thanks or lift before God:

- + For our nation and the world that all might put love, generosity, compassion and patience first.
- + For homeless people as they struggle to stay hydrated and to find shelter.
- + For St. Timothy and all churches, that the Holy Spirit would continue to inspire, encourage, and guide us in God's mission to love the world.
- + Give strength to those with challenges at work, home, and in their personal lives.
- + For the effort of Cultivate Initiatives for people in need in S.E. Multnomah County.
- + For Kristina Heitmann in her ongoing health concerns.
- + For Ernie Rippe for continuous recovery.
- + For Anthony L. & family for healing as he continues with cancer treatments.
- + For Dorian & family according to their needs.
- + For Pastor Chuck with his declining health.
- + For Deanna for healing.
- + For Johann according to his needs.
- + For Judy H. for healing according to her needs.

Daily Readings for February 16th-February 21st:

Monday: Acts 7:30-34

Tuesday: 1 Kings 19:9-18

Wednesday: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Thursday: Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Friday: Psalm 32

Saturday: Romans 5:12-19

Next Sunday, February 22nd:

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-19;
Matthew 4:1-11

This Week at St. Timothy's

Today, Sunday February 15th Transfiguration Sunday

9:20 am—Choir practice
10 am—Worship Service (Zoom available)

Monday President's Day - No Office Hours
10am - 1pm Pantry Hours

Tuesday 10am - 1 pm Office & Pantry hours

Wednesday 10 am -1 pm Office & Pantry hours
10 am -11:30 am Pastor Hamada's office hours

11:30am Ash Wednesday Service and Imposition of Ashes

Thursday 10 am -1 pm Office & Pantry hours

Friday 10 am -1:30 pm Pastor Hamada's office hours

Saturday

Sunday February 22nd, 2026, First Sunday in Lent

9:20 am - Choir Practice
10 am - Worship Service (Zoom available)
Coffee Hour after the Service

February Worship Services				
If you are unable to make your scheduled Sunday, please contact another person to take your place.				
	February 1	February 8	February 15	February 22
Preacher	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada
Assistant	Sherry W	Shannon H	Ray W	Karen O
Lector	Lisa S	Twila R	Mary F	Sherry W
Usher	Jeff S & Tim H	Skip & Marcia E	Steve & LeAnn T	Gladys K & Tim H
Communion	Candace O & Gladys K	Karen O	Candace O & Gladys K	Karen O
Tiny Tims	Daniel R	Karen O	Amanda M	Monica G
Video & Sound	Ray W	Ray W	Ray W	Ray W
Counters	Ray W & Mary F	Tim H & Jeff S	Ray W & Candace O	Shannon H & Mary F
Music	Gary S.	Gary S.	Gary S.	Gary S.
Care Coordinator	Karen O.	Karen O.	Karen O.	Karen O.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

God is doing great things here at St. Timothy.

Our ministry is grounded in the 3P's:

PASTOR + PEOPLE = PARTNERSHIP IN THE GOSPEL

HOLY COMMUNION: We have communion at the altar railing or at your seat in the pew. See page 8 under Distribution.

WORSHIP WITH US ONLINE on Sundays at 10 am at:

Zoom.us meeting 846 9586 7893 code: 307128

FOOD PANTRY VISITS: We served a total of **63 individuals** this week at our food pantry. We will be receiving PFP donations on the 14th so no shopping this week.

ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT 2026: Ash Wednesday is February 18th. Join us on Ash Wednesday at 11:30 am for imposition of ashes. Midweek Lenten Worship services will be at 11:00am on Wednesdays with a service project for Cultivate Initiatives.

HOLY WEEK DATES: March 30th through April 4th. St. Timothy will host Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday services. The annual Easter Jubilee will be on Easter following our celebration. Please invite friends and neighbors to worship with us and enjoy brunch and kids activities following the service.

JOIN AN IMPROMTU RUMMIKUB social time at 10 am on Thursdays. Want more information, see Jeff Sanders.

CHURCH COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS As a result of the council/congregation retreat the following liaison assignments have been made. Please consider seeing/contacting the designated person if interested in assisting: Worship: Marie Robinson, Evangelism: Candace, Education: Mary F, Stewardship: Cathy H and Shannon, Social Concerns: Sherry, Property: Dave V, Fellowship: Cheryl, and Health Ministry: Karen O. Volunteers needed for all committees for one time tasks and ongoing work.

SOUPERBOWL RESULTS: St. Timothy placed bets in the following way;
Seattle 44 soup and 2 ramens : Patriots 1 soup and 20 fruit.