

**Sunday, May 24th, 2026
Day of Pentecost
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 9 under Distribution. If you are joining us online, please consider liking, subscribing, and turning on notifications for our account. If you would like help with this, reach out to the office.

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

Ev'ry Time I feel the Spirit

Yes, ev'ry time I feel the Spirit, Lord, movin' in my heart, I will pray.

Announcements

Opening Prayer

Thanksgiving, Confession and Forgiveness

(Please rise as you are able)

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. **C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb! **C: Amen.**

Blessed be God, the one who forms us, +Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete. **C:Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C:Amen.**

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.

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, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gathering Song

Will You Come and Follow Me

ELW 798

(Please be seated)

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the apostles were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit,
and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

L: The word of the LORD, **C:Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b

How manifold are your works, O Lord!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms
too many to number,
living things both small and great.**

There go the ships to and fro,
and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

**All of them look to you
to give them their food in due season.**

You give it to them; they gather it;
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

**When you hide your face, they are terrified;
when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.

**May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
O Lord, rejoice in all your works.**

You look at the earth and it trembles;

you touch the mountains and they smoke.
**I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will praise my God while I have my being.**
May these words of mine please God.
I will rejoice in the Lord.
**Bless the Lord, O my soul.
Hallelujah!**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.L: The word of the LORD. **C: Thanks be to God.**
(Please rise as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.)

Gospel: John 20:19-23

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

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: O Holy Spirit, Enter In

ELW 786

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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

(A brief silence.)

O God, you send the Holy Spirit to gather your church into one. Inspire all ministers of the gospel to speak prophetic and hope-filled words to all whom they encounter. Bless the work of interreligious dialogue.

Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

You send the Holy Spirit to renew the face of the earth. Protect all living things, bring forth clean water and abundant food, and grant us wonder as we contemplate all you have made. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

You send the Holy Spirit to break down the barriers of communication among nations. Bestow peace in war-torn areas, guide all in government and society to work for justice, and guard those serving in the armed forces, especially this weekend as we remember those who died in service to their country. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

You send the Holy Spirit to accompany those who feel abandoned. Provide food for those who hunger and drink for those who thirst, soothe those who are anxious or bereaved, comfort those who are sick or suffering, and answer all who call upon your name Barb, Shiela, Marcia S, Christine, Deanna, Ron, Johann, Judy, Al, Pastor Chuck, Ron, Marshall, Steve, Jaycee, River, Clyde, and Sean, and Kristina. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

You send the Holy Spirit through the gift of baptism. Bless both those preparing for or affirming their baptism. May they be encouraged by this community of faith as they live out their baptismal promises. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

You send the Holy Spirit to console us in our grief. We give you thanks for our ancestors in the faith (especially scientists Nicolaus Copernicus and Leonard Euler) whose witness to your mighty works continues to inspire our lives. We pray for and remember the family of Marilyn Sirianni who died May 15th and +98Linda Roller who dies also on the 15th (Glades family)Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen 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: Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, 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.

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 Pastor Chuck with his declining health.
- + For Johann according to his needs.

Daily Readings for May 25th-May 30th

Monday: Joel 2:18-29

Tuesday: Romans 8:26-27

Wednesday: Numbers 11:24-30

Thursday: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Friday: Psalm 8

Saturday: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Next Sunday, May 31st:

Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13;
and Matthew 28:16-20

This Week at St. Timothy's

Today, Sunday May 24th Day of Pentecost

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

Monday 10am - 1pm Office & 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
Thursday 10 am -1 pm Office & Pantry hours
Friday 10 am -1:30 pm Pastor Hamada's office hours
Saturday
Sunday May 31st, The Holy Trinity
 9:20 am - Choir Practice
 10 am - Worship Service
 Coffee Hour after the Service

April Worship Services					
If you are unable to make your scheduled Sunday, please contact another person to take your place.					
	May 10	May 17	May 24	May 31	June 7
Preacher	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada
Assistant	Sherry W	Karen O	Sherry W	Ray W	Karen O
Lector	Sherry W	Lisa S	Cathy H	Mary F	Sherry W
Usher	Steve and Leann T	Gladys & Jeff S	Allen P & Tim H	Skip & Marcia E	Steve & Leann T
Communion	Candace & Marie R	Karen O	Cathy H	Cathy H	Candace O & Marie R
Tiny Tims	Amanda M	Monica G	Monica G	Michelle G	Daniel R
Video & Sound	Ray W	Ray W	Ray W	Ray W	Ray W
Counters	Candace O & Mary F	Ray W & Jeff S	Tim H & Mary F	Tim H & Candace O	Ray W & Mary F
Music	Gary S.	Gary S.	Gary S.	Gary S.	Gary S.
Care Coordinator	Karen O.	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 9 under Distribution.

WORSHIP WITH US ONLINE on Sundays at 10 am at:

<https://www.youtube.com/@sttimothypdx/live>

FOOD PANTRY VISITS: The food pantry will be closed Monday, May 25th in observance of Memorial Day. This week we served **77 people** including several new people. Needs this week are for all items. Please consider reaching out to neighbors and friends for additional donations. As the school year comes to an end, the need at our food pantry will increase.

GRESHAM COMMUNITY CHOIR: will perform *Spring Gospel Revival* on June 7th at 3:00pm at Reynolds High School, located at 1690 SW Northstar Loop in Troutdale. Admission is canned food donations which will go to support East County Food Pantry. We also will be having our dress rehearsal at Anthem Church 1415 NE 223rd, Fairview at 7 pm. Friends are welcome.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: On May 31st following worship we will have a meeting to discuss building maintenance plans and funding.

DON'T FORGET YOUR RED: Next Sunday we celebrate Pentecost! Please wear your most red reds - and have fun with it! Pentecost is a *celebration!*

BUDGET UPDATE: Expenditures for 2026 through April are \$48,432. Giving is slightly less with deficit of \$6464. Please prayerfully consider additional giving as you are able, and as always; **pray!** for our budget and those who assist with financial matters.