

**Sunday, June 7th, 2026
Second Sunday 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 8 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

Morning Has Broken

ELW 556

Announcements

Opening Prayer

Thanksgiving, Confession and Forgiveness

(Please rise as you are able)

P: 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: God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Gathering Song
(Please be seated)

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

ELW 836

Children's Message

First Reading: Hosea 5:15-6:6

Then I will return to my lair
until they have borne their guilt
and seek my face—
in their misery
they will earnestly seek me.”

“Come, let us return to the Lord.
He has torn us to pieces
but he will heal us;
he has injured us
but he will bind up our wounds.
After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will restore us,
that we may live in his presence.
Let us acknowledge the Lord;
let us press on to acknowledge him.
As surely as the sun rises,
he will appear;
he will come to us like the winter rains,
like the spring rains that water the earth.”
“What can I do with you, Ephraim?
What can I do with you, Judah?”

Your love is like the morning mist,
like the early dew that disappears.
Therefore I cut you in pieces with my prophets,
I killed you with the words of my mouth—
then my judgments go forth like the sun.
For I desire mercy, not sacrifice,
and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings.
L: The word of the LORD, **C:Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 50:7-15

“Listen, my people, and I will speak;
I will testify against you, Israel:
I am God, your God.

**I bring no charges against you concerning your sacrifices
or concerning your burnt offerings, which are ever before me.**

I have no need of a bull from your stall
or of goats from your pens,
for every animal of the forest is mine,
and the cattle on a thousand hills.

**I know every bird in the mountains,
and the insects in the fields are mine.**

If I were hungry I would not tell you,
for the world is mine, and all that is in it.

**Do I eat the flesh of bulls
or drink the blood of goats?**

“Sacrifice thank offerings to God,
fulfill your vows to the Most High,
and call on me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you will honor me.”

Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25

It was not through the law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith. For if those who depend on the law are heirs, faith means nothing and the promise is worthless, because the law brings wrath. And where there is no law there is no transgression.

Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring—not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all. As it is written: "I have made you a father of many nations." He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed—the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not.

Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be." Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead. Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. This is why "it was credited to him as righteousness." The words "it was credited to him" were written not for him alone, but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

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 9:9-13, 18-26

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

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: *We Come to You for Healing, Lord*

ELW 617

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

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

(A brief silence.)

Holy God, we are in awe of your creative work. Continue that work in your church, making us a new creation that proclaims your presence and love. God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

Creator God, nature reveals your power and glory. Protect water sources, vegetation, and wildlife as reminders of who you are. God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

Redeemer God, you call us to pray for those in authority. Guide our leaders to pursue the work of fostering peace and community especially in Iran, Gaza, Lebanon, and Ukraine
God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

Sustaining God, you are mindful of your people in every circumstance. Heal those who are sick. Provide for all who hunger. Protect those in harm's way. Comfort any experiencing hardship or illness including Mary F, Karen R, Shiela, Marcia S, Christine, Deanna, Ron, Johann, Judy, Al, Pastor Chuck, Ron, Marshall, Steve, Jaycee, River, Clyde, Sean, Twila and Kristina. God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, we pray for the children of our church and community. Provide for their needs. Support their caregivers. Nurture their faith. We especially pray for our young people graduating from grade, middle, and high school that the transition will be a blessing for them. Grant all students positive experiences during summer break. God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

Loving God, we give thanks for those who have died and claimed their baptismal promises. Strengthen us to live as they did in communion with you. God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through 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: Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.

**Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.**

We ask this in the name of Jesus,

through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. 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* ELW page 146b
 Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether ELW 470
 By Your Hand You Feed Your People ELW 469

(Please rise as you are able)

Prayer of Thanksgiving: (together)

C: Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

Blessing:

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, † one God,
bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn: *I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me* **ELW 860**

Dismissal :

P: Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Amen! Alleluia!

Postlude: *All My Hope on God is Founded* ELW 757

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 June 8-June 14

Monday: 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:2

Tuesday: Hebrews 13:1-16

Wednesday: Matthew 12:1-8

Thursday: Matthew 10:7-16

Friday: Psalm 100

Saturday: Romans 5:1-8

Next Sunday, June 14th:

Exodus 19:2-8a; Psalm 100; Romans 5:1-8;
and Matthew 9:35-10:8[9-23]

This Week at St. Timothy's

Today, Sunday June 7th, Pentecost 2

9:20 am—Choir practice

10 am—Worship Service (Zoom available)

Monday 10am - 1pm Office & Pantry Hours

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Thursday 10 am -1 pm Office & Pantry hours

Friday

Saturday

Sunday June 14th, 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

9:20 am - Choir Practice

10 am - Worship Service

Coffee Hour after the Service

JUNE Worship Services

If you are unable to make your scheduled Sunday, please contact another person to take your place.

	June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28	July 5
Preacher	Pastor Cutis Zieske	Pastor Jennifer Beil	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada
Assistant	Sherry W	Sherry W	Ray W	Karen O	Sherry W
Lector	Sherry W	Lisa S	Cathy H	Mary F	Sherry W
Usher	Steve & LeAnn T	Gladys K & Tim H	Jeff S & Tim H	Skip & Marcia E	Tim H & Allen P
Communion	Candace & Marie R	Cathy H	Karen O & Gladys K	Cathy H	Candace & Marie R
Tiny Tims	Daniel R	Amanda M	Monica G	Briget D	Daniel R
Video & Sound	Ray W	Ray W	Ray W	Ray W	Ray W
Counters	Ray W & Candace	Tim H & Jeff S	Ray W & Tim H	Candace O & Mary F	Ray W & Jeff S
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 8 under Distribution.

WORSHIP WITH US ONLINE on Sundays at 10 am at:

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

FOOD PANTRY VISITS: We were very busy this week, the first week of a new month. We served a total of **66 individuals**. Both Karen O and Sherry shopped often as well as others stopping by with donations. Portland Food Project date is June 13th so we will continue to need to shop. Needs this week are for cereal, fruit, soup, rice, tomato sauce, juice, pasta, and proteins. As the school year comes to an end, the need at our food pantry will increase. We have a handout for lunch in the park for our guests and will make available to congregation.

GRESHAM COMMUNITY CHOIR: is performing *Spring Gospel Revival TODAY!* June 7th at 3:00pm at Reynolds High School, 1690 SW Northstar Loop in Troutdale. Admission is canned food donations which will go to support the East County Food Pantry.

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.

Pastor Hamada will be on vacation June 7th and 14th. We will be blessed with Pastor Curtis Zieske on the 7th and Pastor Jen Beil on the 14th.

Book Exchange TODAY: Bring books you have read and exchange during coffee hour.

Congregational Meeting: We will be meeting on June 28th following church service to discuss property upgrades and possible funding sources. Voting members are encouraged to come and zoom will be available for members. Others are encouraged to join us for input.