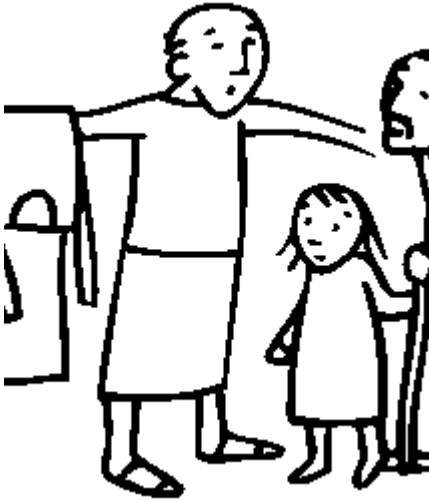


**Sunday, October 11th, 2026
Stewardship Sunday
St. Timothy Lutheran Church**



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 *The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing*

ELW 531

Announcements

Opening Prayer

Thanksgiving, Confession and Forgiveness

(Please rise as you are able)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
whose compassion endures forever. **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. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day *(together)*

**C: Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out
your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is
honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and
peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Children's Message

First Reading: Isaiah 25:1-9

O Lord, you are my God;
I will exalt you; I will praise your name,
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.
For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of foreigners is a city no more;
it will never be rebuilt.
Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.
For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.
When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,
the noise of foreigners like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the covering that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,
"See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

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

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.

**The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

You restore my soul, O Lord,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil;**

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Second Reading: Philippians 4:1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you. 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 22:1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat

calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad, so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

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: *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

ELW 502

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

Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world.

(A brief silence.)

Holy God, we remember your promise of unity on your holy mountain. Empower the World Council of Churches and all those working across religious difference, that the world may know your undivided love.

Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

We remember your promise of green pastures and quiet waters. Preserve all places of natural beauty and restore our relationship with the land.

Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

We remember your promise to not abandon us amid storm and disaster. Renew all communities facing disasters and give your courage to those leading relief efforts. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

We remember your promise to wipe away every tear. Heal and console all who are sick or suffering including Katie, Sylvia, Mary F, Lee, Gabriel, Sandy, Christine, Deanne, Ron, Judy, Al, Pastor Chuck, Marshall, Steve, Doug, Kristina, and Barb Vecsi. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

We remember your promise of a banquet open to all people. Challenge this congregation to open wide our doors and welcome everyone to the table.

Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

We remember your promise to swallow up death forever. We give thanks for those who have gone before us.

Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. 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:

***Come, Let Us Eat
As We Gather at Your Table
At The Lambs High Feast We Sing***

ELW 491

ELW 522

ELW 362

(Please rise as you are able)

Prayer of Thanksgiving: (together)

C: Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SENDING

Blessing:

The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus.

C: Amen.

The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit.

C: Amen.

The God of grace † bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn:

I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy

insert

George William Cooke (1848-1923)

The musical score is written in 4/4 time on a single staff. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: 'I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart down in my heart down in my heart I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart down in my heart to stay. And I'm so hap-py, so ver-y hap-py, I've got the love of Je-sus in my heart, And I'm so hap-py, so ver-y hap-py, I've got the love of Je-sus in my heart.' The score ends with a double bar line. A copyright notice '© bethnotes.com' is visible in the bottom right corner of the musical notation area.

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart down in my heart down in my heart I've got the

Refrain

joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart down in my heart to stay. And I'm so hap-py, so ver-y

hap - py, I've got the love of Je - sus in my heart, And I'm so

hap - py, so ver - y hap - py, I've got the love of Je - sus in my heart.

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- I've got*
2. I have the love of Jesus, love of Jesus, down in my heart... *Refrain*
 3. I have the peace that passes understanding down in my heart... *Refrain*

Dismissal :

P: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude:

Sent Forth By God's Blessing ELW 547

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 and food.
- 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 East Multnomah County.
- For Kristina Heitmann in her ongoing health concerns.
- For Pastor Chuck with his declining health.

Daily Readings for October 12th-17th

Monday: Jude 17-25

Tuesday: Psalm 34

Wednesday: John 6:25-35

Thursday: Isaiah 45:1-7

Friday: Psalm 96:1-9[10-13]

Saturday: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Next Sunday, October 18th:

Isaiah 45:1-7; Psalm 96:1-9[10-13]; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10;
and Matthew 22:15-22

This Week at St. Timothy's

Today, Sunday October 11th, Pentecost 20

9:20am Choir practice

10 am Worship Service

Monday 10am - 1pm Office & Pantry Hours

Tuesday 10am - 1 pm Office & Pantry hours

Wednesday 10 am -1 pm Office & Pantry hours

Thursday 10 am -1 pm Office & Pantry hours

Friday 10 am -1 pm Office Hours

Saturday

Sunday October 18th, 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Health Ministry Sunday

9:20am Choir practice

10 am Worship Service

OCTOBER Worship Services

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

	October 4th	October 11th	October 18th	October 25th	November 1st
Preacher	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Curtis Zieske	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada
Assistant	Ray W	Sherry W	Karen O	Ray W	Karen O
Lector	Lisa S	Cathy H	Sherry W	Cathy H	Lisa S
Usher	Tim H & Allen P	Marcia & Skip E	LeAnn & Steve T	Gladys K & Tim H	Jeff S & Allen P
Communion Set Up	Gladys K	Karen O and Gladys	Cathy Henderson	Candace and Marie	Karen O & Gladys
Table Assistant	Ray W	Karen O	Sherry W	Karen O	Gladys
Tiny Tims	Daniel R	Monica G	Bridgett D	Michelle G	Amanda M
Video & Sound	Ray W and James G	Ray W and James G	Ray W and James G	Ray W and James G	Ray W and James G
Counters	Ray W & Tim H	Candace O & Tim H	Ray W & Candace O	Ray W & Tim H	Tim H & 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 had 95 visitors this week. We shopped mightily to keep shelves full. This Sat the PFP pick up occurs. No shopping needed. Those helping at Open Door arrive at 9:30 and St Tims to unload at 12.

BIBLE STUDY: Pastor Yukio continues to lead Bible study on zoom at 6:45pm on Wednesdays.

CHURCH PROPERTY NEEDS: We approved the expenditure of funds for roof repair back of the church, railing, and lighting. We continue to collect funds for future property needs in designated banks or donations on Sunday.

ATTENTION SEWERS: We have material in the Hospitality House available. Do you quilt with other groups? Let us know.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY is today. Please turn in your pledge cards and talent cards this morning. If you are not able to bring them into the church with you, please mail them directly to St. Timothy; 16409 SE Division St.

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HEALTH MINISTRY SUNDAY is next Sunday, October 18th. Guest preacher, Curtis Zieske will lead worship.

Bible Zoo Field Trip On Sunday, October 18th a field trip is planned for our young people to Bible Zoo following worship service. Cost is \$15 a person. See Marilyn for more information.

TABLE TREAT EVENT is scheduled for Oct 24th from 4:30-6. Check the newsletter. Help needed to publicize, manage/decorate table, help set up Friday the 23rd at 5:30, donate candy, clean-up following the event.

CHURCH COUNCIL is October 13 at 6:30.