Sunday, November 22, 2026
Christ the King Sunday
St. Timothy Lutheran Church



<u>Vision Statement:</u>
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

<u>St. Timothy Mission Statement:</u>
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 10 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 Head that Once was Crowned*** *ELW 432*

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: O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gathering Song *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* ELW 634
(Please be seated)

Children's Message

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep and will sort them out. As shepherds sort out their flocks when they are among scattered sheep, so I will sort out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and bring them into their own land, and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strays, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.
Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder and butted at all the weak animals with your

horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged, and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them; he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I the Lord will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I the Lord have spoken.

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

Psalm 95:1-7a

Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to the Lord with psalms.
For you, Lord, are a great God,
and a great ruler above all gods.
In your hand are the caverns of the earth;
the heights of the hills are also yours.
The sea is yours, for you made it,
and your hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord our maker.
For the Lord is our God,
and we are the people of God's pasture
and the sheep of God's hand.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the

immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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 25:31-46

Jesus said to the disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You who are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels, for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you

did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment but the righteous into eternal life."

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: ***Crown Him with Many Crowns*** ELW 855

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
United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.
(A brief silence.)

Prepare your people for your reign to come among us. Where the church is wary, make us bold; where we are complacent, stir us to action; where we are anxious, assure us of your never-ending care. God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

All the heights, depths, and expanses of the earth belong to you. Deliver every corner of your creation from disaster. Restore lands ravaged by floods, fires, drought, or contamination.
God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Gather all the nations at your side and teach them the ways of your kingdom of wholeness and abundant life. Empower judges, juries, and legal advocates to create and uphold pathways toward transformative justice. God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Bind up the wounds of all your people. Give courage to all who experience uncertainty, guide all people facing difficult decisions, and lift the spirits of any who are in need Kristina, Christine, Katie, Sylvia, Mary, Lee, Gabriel, Sandy, Rose, Deanne, Ron, Judy, Al, Pastor Chuck, Marshall, Steve, Doub, Barb, Tanya, Fred, Greta, and Dorian God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Accompany communities struggling with conflict. Help us to listen deeply to one another, that we might know one another more fully and release any hurt or anger. Create ways of healing and reconciliation among us. God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Almighty and Gracious God! We pray for the congregations walking with St. Timothy in our common quest to discern God’s leading about the future of our ministries. O Holy Spirit, lead us and open our eyes and ears to the journey ahead. We pray for our sister ministries: Pilgrim Lutheran in Portland, Junction City United Methodist Church in Junction City, Springfield Lutheran Church in Springfield, Faith Lutheran Church & St. George's Episcopal Church in Roseburg. God, in your mercy. **C: Hear our prayer.**

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

Fill us with the spirit of wisdom and perseverance that you grant to all the saints, and bring us, at the last, into the hope of your promised new day. We especially pray for comfort and peace in the death of Herb Bartling, father of Lisa Sanders, Joann Larson's family, Glades sister-in-law, and William Hyer, coworker of Karen Ropar.
God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved. **C: Amen.**

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: Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through 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: ***O Christ the Same*** ELW 760
Beautiful Savior ELW 838
Jesus, Name Above All Names
Beautiful Savior, Glorious Lord,
Immanuel, God is with Us, Blessed Redeemer, Living Word.
Our God is an Awesome God!
He reigns from Heav'n above with wisdom, power and love.
Our God is an Awesome God!

(Please rise as you are able)

Prayer of Thanksgiving: (together)
C: Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

Blessing:

The holy Trinity,
Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always. **C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn: ***Rejoice, for Christ is King!*** ELW 430

Dismissal :

P: Go in peace. Encourage one another.
C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia

Postlude:

Thine the Amen! ELW 826

Wednesday, November 25, 2026

Community DINNER

And Thanksgiving Worship Service



Pilgrim Lutheran Church
4244 SE 91st Ave.
Portland, OR 97266



5:30pm - Doors Open
6:00-7:00pm - Free Dinner Served
7:30pm - Simple Worship Service

All Are Welcome - Come As You Are

Presented by **East County Ministry Alliance** -
Congregations and Organizations working together to serve our neighbors

Questions? Leave a message at (503) 774-2497
or email PilgrimPortland@gmail.com

Pilgrim Lutheran Church is one block North of Holgate on SE 92nd Avenue

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 especially with the change in weather.
- 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 November 23-28

Monday: 2 Timothy 2:8-13
Tuesday: Revelation 19:1-9
Wednesday: Ezekiel 33:7-20
Thursday: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15
Friday: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
Saturday: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Next Sunday, November 29th:

Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; and Mark 13:24-37

This Week at St. Timothy's

Today, Sunday November 22nd

9:20-9:40 am Choir practice
10 am Worship Service

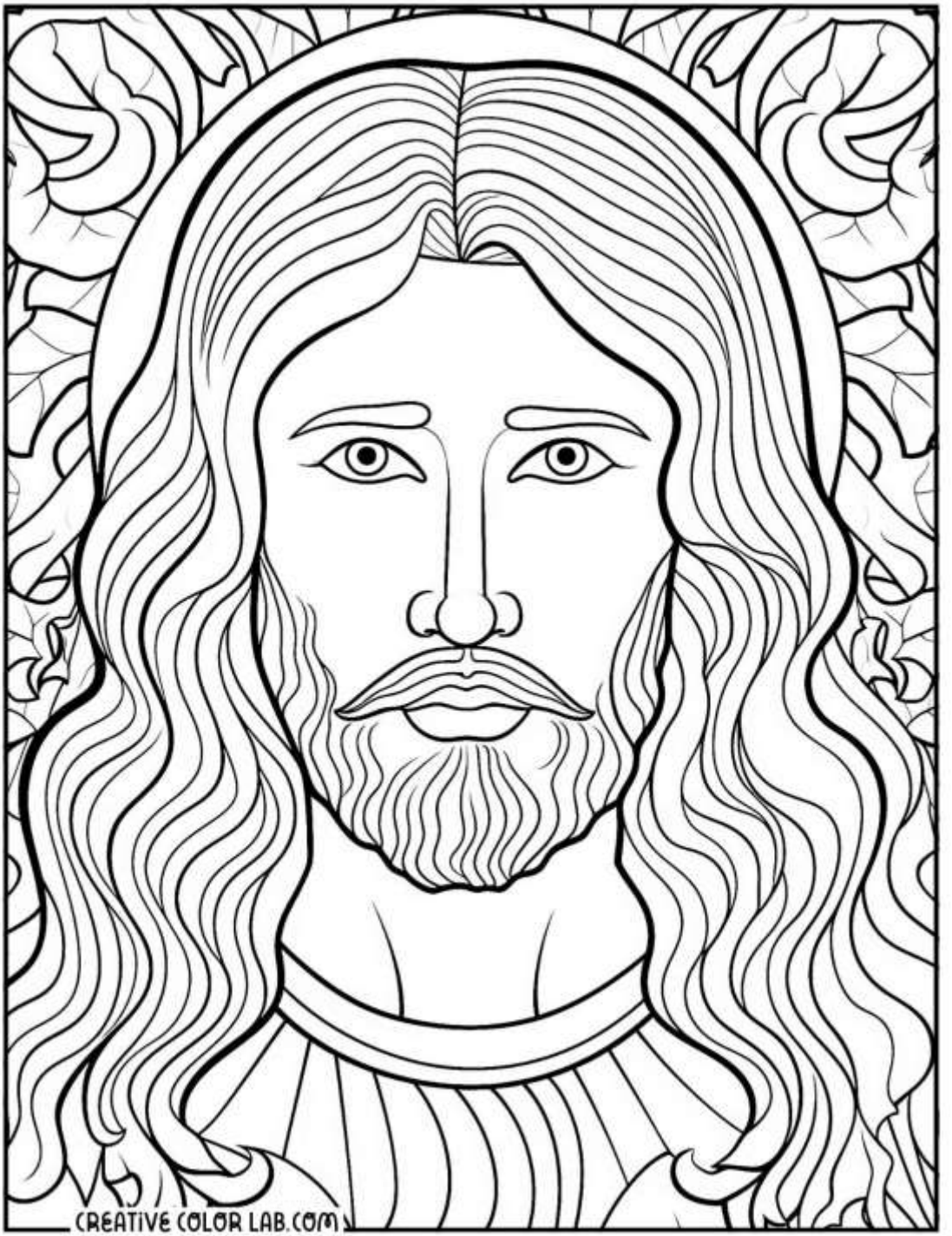
Monday 10am - 1pm Office & Pantry Hours
Tuesday 10am - 1 pm Office & Pantry Hours
Wednesday 10am - 1pm Office & Pantry Hours
Thursday CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY
Friday 10 am -1 pm Office Hours
Saturday

Sunday November 29, 1st Sunday of Advent

9:20am Choir practice
10 am Worship Service

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

	November 1st	November 8th	November 15th	November 22nd	November 29
Preacher	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada
Assistant	Karen O	Sherry W	Ray W	Karen O	Sherry W
Lector	Lisa S	Cathy H	Sherry W	Cathy H	Lisa S
Usher	Jeff S & Allen P	Tim H & Gladys K	Marcia & Skip E	Jeff S & Allen P	LeAnn & Steve T
Communion Set Up	Karen O & Gladys K	Cathy H	Candace & Marie R	Cathy H	Karen O & Gladys K
Table Assistant	Gladys K	Karen O	Gladys K	Sherry W	Gladys K
Tiny Tims	Amanda M	Daniel R	Monica G	Bridgett D	Michelle G
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	Tim H & Jeff S	Ray W & Candace O	Ray W & Jeff S	Tim H & Candace O	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.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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 10 under Distribution.

WORSHIP WITH US ONLINE on Sundays at 10 am at:
https://www.youtube.com/@sttimothypdx/live

FOOD PANTRY VISITS: We had **70** visitors this week, several new people. Shelves continue to empty out. Therefore we need help shopping again for fruit, coffee/hot chocolate, water, TP, soup, ramen, rice, pasta, cereal, and anything else you have in your cupboard.

COFFEE HOUR: Today we celebrate a very Georgia Vogele's 99th birthday!! Please join us after worship. We continue to need helpers with set up and clean up. November 29th is birthday celebrations and first Sunday in Advent.

CHURCH PROPERTY NEEDS: We continue to collect funds for future property needs in designated paper banks or donations on Sunday. Check out the thermometer to see what has been donated.

CAPACITY DISCERNMENT COHORT: St Timothy has joined other churches in this 9 months program to help discern our future. Ray Whitford is our lead person and would be glad to discuss this with any members with questions.

WELLNESS BAGS are available to take in your cars to distribute to our unhoused neighbors. Give to people in the parking lots at stores, rest stops , and on the road way.

COATS FOR KIDS: We are collecting new coats and funds for 5th Sunday in November for this program. Cheryl and Sherry have ordered from Costco. Cheryl is storing coats at her home. Elementary kids you can shop any size or color. Larger sizes for middle and high school prefer black/dark colors.

THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY MEAL: Pilgrim is once again hosting a community dinner on November 25th. If you can help with contribution of foods please sign up as you leave or come down for coffee.

Pastor Chuck Hunt continues to progress with dementia. However, friend Carol reports he looked her in the eye and said my precious and said to John his son, looking him in eye, you're my son.