

# The Mission Edge

May 2024

St. Timothy Evangelical Lutheran Church

## Congregational Meeting May 19, 2024



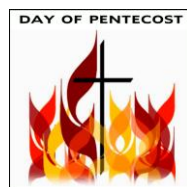
The Congregational meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>** at 12:30 am. All members are encouraged to attend. Voting members are confirmed members who have communed and made a contribution of record during the current or prior calendar year. Members of this congregation who have satisfied these basic standards shall have the privilege of voice and vote at the meeting.

## Family Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup>



The Family Discipleship Ministry Team would like to invite all children ages 4 to 5<sup>th</sup> grade to join us in the MPR the 3rd Sunday of each month during the Sunday School hours (9:15-10:15 am) for a story, game, craft, and snack! During this time, parents are welcome in the Family Fellowship room for coffee and conversation. For additional information, or to volunteer, please contact Ann Bechard.

## Pentecost Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup>



Pentecost Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup> ends the season of Easter. It is the Sabbath day after a week's worth of weeks (50 days) and commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples of Christ after the Resurrection. Pentecost is not a solemn occasion. It is a time for vigor, excitement, energy, movement, birth, fresh air, and fresh commitment. Pentecost is a time of **RED** -- a color of fire and zeal and passion and heat. The Spirit is incendiary within us.

**Confirmation** will be held on Pentecost Sunday at the 10:30 am service. Riley Brill, Gabby Kerchner, Lili Murdoch, and Ella Bechard will be confirmed. There will be a light lunch following the service.

## Teacher Appreciation Sunday



On May 19<sup>th</sup> let's make a special effort to thank all of those who are serving as teachers, leaders, and coordinators of our Education Ministry. Let them know we appreciate the sharing of their time, talents, and energy this year to teach the children, youth, and adults in Sunday school. It is a privilege to honor these teachers for their dedication and service to this invaluable ministry.



### *From the Pastor's Desk...*

Dear Friends,

The Apostle of Paul wrote, "Every time I think of you, I thank God for you..." --Phil. 1:3. Wonderful words to the beloved church in Phillipi of affection and encouragement\* for the congregation's grace from God for having been bound to God faith in Jesus Christ, which then creates an abiding kind of fellowship that bears one another's burdens in world under restoration by heaven. Paul knew the restoring power of community and friendship that the followers of Jesus were offered and it gave him great joy.

Thanksgiving and joy flow in me for you, St. Timothy! First, how I have seen the depths of how our members/friends offer care, kindness, and faithful service to our Lord's work. Second, so many of our servant leaders from property to worship life, all our leaders, think the best of one another and together seek to accomplish the best for all concerned in the work of our Lord. Third, you have been kind and considerate, offering your prayers and support for me and my family since the day three years ago in May our moving truck rolled into Camp Hill from Houston. Clearly, I am having fun since time has flown by me so fast! Thank you for the prayers this past year and the most remarkable birthday card shower! I enjoyed reading each of them, more than once. Fourth, we have joined hands and hearts to work on the mission of joining Jesus to make disciples who live according to the 'glory and praise' of our God and savior, Jesus Christ.

I look forward to expressing this gratitude together at our annual meeting in May where the bonds of our fellowship are felt and made evident as we commit to a new year's financial budget for mission. I am so blessed to have your company in joining Jesus! May the joy and gratitude of Jesus renew your soul in the light of Easter 2024.

Yours in Christ, PK

\*Philippians 1:3-11

I thank my God for all the memories I have of you. **4** Every time I pray for all of you, I do it with joy. **5** I can do this because of the partnership we've had with you in the Good News from the first day [you believed] until now. **6** I'm convinced that God, who began this good work in you, will carry it through to completion on the day of Christ Jesus. **7** You have a special place in my heart. So, it's right for me to think this way about all of you. All of you are my partners. Together we share God's favor, whether I'm in prison or defending and confirming the truth of the Good News. **8** God is my witness that, with all the compassion of Christ Jesus, I long [to see] every one of you. **9** I pray that your love will keep on growing because of your knowledge and insight. **10** That way you will be able to determine what is best and be pure and blameless until the day of Christ. **11** Jesus Christ will fill your lives with everything that God's approval produces. Your lives will then bring glory and praise to God. (God's Word Translation).

# St. Timothy Prayer Care & Concerns

## Prayer Requests to the Congregation



Please join in prayer for the following members and friends who are in need. Many suffer long-term illness and injury. Others have urgent requests. But all are seeking the Lord for healing, restoration, strength, and stamina. Thank you for seeking the Lord on their behalf. Your requests for prayer may be submitted to the church office, Pai Swanger: 717-982-0882 for texts or [pswanger56@gmail.com](mailto:pswanger56@gmail.com). Urgent prayer requests, contact Amy Ewbank.

## Celebrations & Thanksgiving

- Capital Area Pregnancy Center Ministry
- Answered prayers for Chick Young, Patrick Carcione, Michelle Jackson, & Allison

## NALC Atlantic Mission Region Congregations of the Month

Trinity Lutheran Church, Warrenton, Va.,  
 Vinemont Community LC, Reinholds, Pa.,  
 Zoar Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lebanon, PA  
 Advent Lutheran Church, Winchester, VA

## Homebound

George & Shirley Brown  
 Audrey Hettrick  
 Joyce Horn  
 Ruth Hummel

Phyllis Levensgood  
 Margaret Mans  
 Bernice Markle

Richard Papiernik  
 Greg Slaybaugh  
 Tom Trayer

## Military/1<sup>st</sup> Responders

LC Preston Casper  
 Sgt. Dillon Hackett  
 SFC Jonathan D. Pusztai

SPC Aubron Swartley  
 Cpt. John Tartline

**1<sup>st</sup> Responders**  
 Fire & Police Departments  
 Ambulance Crews

Seals, Delta Force, and all the service men & women especially those heading to Israel.

## Grieving

The family & friends of Tom Daise  
 The family & friends of Don D.

The family & friends of Deborah Grubbs  
 The Family & friends of Robyn Wyland

**Care & Concern**

Harriet Baltimore	Robin Harris	Valerie Marino
Desean Baltimore (Pediatric Cancer)	Dot & Ernie Helmick	Gary Marzullo
Ell & Wendy Beckmann	Audrey Hetrick* (Hospice)	Lynne Neibert
Douglas Bennett	Jean Heyboer	Rosemary Petrizzo
Marty Bersaw	Linda Hoholik	Roxy Phelps
Kevin Bird	Dorian Howard	John Pitulski
Bob	Ruth Hummel*	Dylan Pitulski
Richard Boulanger	Rev. Ted Hummel	John Pusztai
Eric Brown*	Pastor Sue Irons	Janet Reinbrecht
Roy Brown	Marcy Irvin*	Baby RJ
Glenn Bushey*	James	Rox
Ed Charles	Jenn	Richard Schmidt
Christina Conrad	Jessica (Cancer)	Dorothy Schubert
TJ Cooper (Recovery)	Jim Jenesko	Rev Logan Swanger*
Wendy Cortes	Julie	Teresa
Barbara Curtis	Judy	Kimberly Tilton
Chip Custer*	Gabby Kerchner	Frank Titus*
Denise	Guy Knorr*	Shirley Turnbaugh
Don Engold	Bob Larson	Luanne Vierno
Pastor Ray & Nancy Forsythe	Michael Leach	Mary Wohler (Longerhans Cell Histocytosis)
Harry & Karen Fox	Liam	Shannon Wohler
Karen G	Jasmine Lopez	David Wyant
Gay Gardner	Baby Wyatt Lowe	Payton Zeiders
Mike & Maryann Gelehrter	Anthony Marino	Peace in Israel & Ukraine

\*Denotes St. Timothy member/friend



<b>May 2</b> Roger Williams	<b>May 12</b> Caleb Reed	<b>May 21</b> Sharon Schwalm
<b>May 4</b> Sebastian Allen	Joshua Reed	<b>May 22</b> Nancy Frankenfield
Matthew Musselman	<b>May 14</b> Brock Kerchner	<b>May 26</b> Jacqueline Keefer
<b>May 6</b> Jack Robinholt	<b>May 16</b> Bernice Markle	<b>May 27</b> Carter McClellan
<b>May 9</b> Kevin Kincaid	Judy Musselman	<b>May 28</b> Ken Black
<b>May 10</b> Lisa Wyant	Michael Tamorria	<b>May 30</b> Alexandra Milbrand
Gary Bender	<b>May 19</b> Jim Vogel	
<b>May 11</b> Nicholas Goble	<b>May 20</b> Jared Mummert	

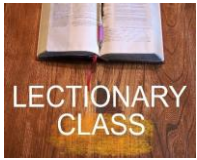
## Save the date, Family Friday



May 24<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 – 8:00 pm!

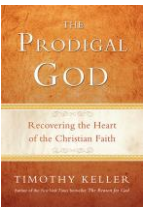
Please join us for new and fun opportunities for families to have fellowship together! Please watch the Announcements and Eblasts during April for more details - hosted by the Family Discipleship Ministry.

## Lectionary Class



Join this class, led by Jason Swartley, as they delve deeper into the Old Testament, Psalm, New Testament, and Gospel readings appointed for each Sunday.

## THE PRODIGAL SON



The Thursday Night Bible Study will begin reading about the parable(s) of The Lost Sheep and The Lost Son. Pastor Timothy Keller (no known relation to our own beloved Pastor!) has written the book **“THE PRODIGAL GOD”**. The Biblical source is from the Book of Luke (Luke 15: 1-3 and 11-32) he names the book **Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith**. We invite you to join us on Thursday (s) at 6:15 in the Youth Room.

## St. Timothy in Carlisle Bible Study



The Carlisle Bible study group is winding up its study of the Book of Hebrews. We will then be turning to St. Paul's letter to the Colossians. The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month and yes, we will meet on Memorial Day, May 27th. For more information, call Karen or Mike Tamorria at 717-706-3818.

## Monthly Food Pantry Collection

May 2024 New Hope Ministries.



**Cooking Oil, Brown Sugar, Ketchup**  
Please place items in box in vestibule.

## Sunday Morning Brunch



Everyone is invited to join us for food, fun, and fellowship at the Wertzville Family Restaurant at 743 Wertzville Rd, Enola, on Sundays after the 10:30 am service. Anyone interested in joining us should meet at the restaurant following the service.

## Men's Breakfast



Men's Breakfast will be held on the first Saturday of the month at 8:30 am at the Peppermill Diner. Next breakfast is **May 4<sup>th</sup>**.  
**\*\*1st timers eat FREE\*\***

## Sunday Mornings



Join us between services in the narthex for coffee, snacks, and fellowship.

## Family Spaghetti Dinner – Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.



Fellowship and Family Ministry invite you to a Family Spaghetti dinner to include meat or meatless sauce over spaghetti with salad and bread. A free will offering will be taken with proceeds to benefit Bethesda Men's Shelter for lighting for their Cross. Signup sheet located on the information table in the Narthex.

## Church Council Recognitions



The Church Council recognized the following individuals for their service to St. Timothy at the April council meeting:

- Thank you to all vocalists, musicians, altar guild, and worship assistants who contributed to Holy week observances and Easter celebration.
- Shout out to the choir for singing during Maundy Thursday service and singing at both services for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.
- Thank you to 20+ folks that assisted with the Spring Property Clean up and mulching flower beds including Scouts, Troop Leaders, Property Committee, and Church family.

## Lenten Egg Sale Thank You



Thank you to everyone who donated ingredients and/or helped make and sell the Easter eggs. We produced a total of 1,427 eggs for a total of \$1660.00 donated to the **Spiritual Orphans Network (SON)**.

## Thank You - Palm cross makers:



Deb Stein, Mindy Fesler, Monika Rahn, Arlene Young and Linda Townsend.

## Bulletin Sponsors



Bulletins

A special thank you to Diane and Frank Titus for sponsoring the bulletins for the month of May.

## Altar Flower Sponsors



Altar Flowers

A special thank you to Jane Finklestein, Brock Kerchner, and Michelle and Glenn Elliott for sponsoring flowers in May.



**Thank you** to Jennie Blessing, Ann Bechard, Jerry and Jane Bruns, Ross Flint, Cheryl Foster, Chuck Irvin, Al and Gina Kerchner, Rich Lepley, Pai Swanger, and Monika Rahn who continue to help the church office with such warm and patient hearts!

## Thank you

Again, a special thank you to Pastor Keller, Jenn Allen and their small group members for hosting the “Join Jesus for Dinner” evening on April 15th. Kudos goes to Jenn Allen who did a great job coordinating the volunteers to help before and after the dinner! It was indeed a night of sharing experiences from those who participated in the small group meetings and hearing about how God revealed himself to them in their daily life as well as their conversations with those within and outside our faith. We were also treated to a diverse and delicious buffet that included various dishes to choose from and a heartfelt thanks goes to those who brought a dish! It is a unique “Journey with Jesus” that we have begun and hopefully it will continue to impact our lives and bond with God. And also, the importance that one small act of sharing with another can have a positive impact on those we meet along life’s journey. Let’s see where the journey takes us next as our eyes are now opened as to how we see God at work in our lives, what his word teaches us, and how we can share our love of God with others. PK, you are always in our prayers for your continued devotion, insight and service to God and St. Timothy.

## Monthly Middler's



Monthly Middler group continues to meet monthly. Their next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday,

**May 15<sup>th</sup>** at Dalicia Ristorante and Bakery, 105 S Market St, Mechanicsburg at 5:30 pm. Questions? Want to RSVP? Give Jennifer Keller a call/text at 724-713-1060. And remember, you can bring another Middler friend if you'd like!

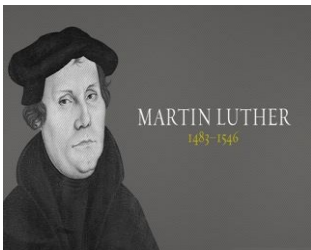
## Prayer Shawl Ministry



Do you enjoy knitting or crocheting? If so, why not bless others with your talents by making prayer shawls! Every other Monday from 1:00 –

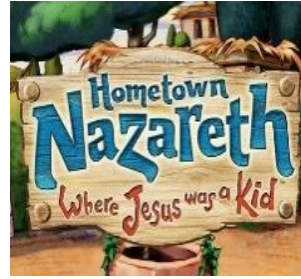
3:00pm, this ministry group gathers at church for good conversation and fellowship as everyone stitches. And if you're unable to attend the group gatherings, consider becoming a remote group member!

Do you know of someone in need of a prayer shawl? Prayer shawls are available to give to people who are ill or in need of comfort. The shawl represents the Lord's arms wrapped around them, a special way to feel the Lord's love, presence, and healing power. To obtain a prayer shawl and/or to be a shawl maker, contact Bobbi Larson or Betty Semke.



*"The love of God does not find but creates that in which it delights; the love of man is generated by what it delights in."*

## Vacation Bible School 2024



Hometown Nazareth, where Jesus was a Kid. At Hometown Nazareth, children don't just hear about God's love; they see it, touch it, sing it,

taste it, and put it into action. As they explore our Bible-times setting, Tribes go deeper into their faith. Most importantly, children learn that because Jesus loves us, he came to provide a way for us to live with God forever. Mark your calendars for this exciting event beginning **Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>** 6:00-8:30 pm. If you are willing to help, please contact Deb Stein at 717 571-9313 or email at [djstein50@comcast.net](mailto:djstein50@comcast.net). Registration opens on May 5<sup>th</sup> at [www.sttim.com](http://www.sttim.com) or [vbspro.events/p/events/008299](http://vbspro.events/p/events/008299). Items that will be needed for this year's VBS can be found on the table in the vestibule. I am also looking to borrow two 10x10 ez up canopies. If you have one we could use please let Deb Stein know.

This year's VBS Outreach project is called



Operation Kid-To-Kid which is an international outreach program that allows children in North America to serve other

children around the world in tangible, practical ways. Group Publishing is partnering with World Vision to share the life-giving gift of clean water to children in rural areas of Honduras. We are asking the children to collect spare change each day of VBS and put into their unique banks which they will have their first night of VBS. The congregation will also participate during the month of June. Look for the unique bank on the table in the Narthex.



In partnership with Pastor Karin Pejack and Zion Lutheran Church (LCMC), St. Timothy is in need of volunteers to assist with Sunday evening worship services (the second Sunday each month) at Bethesda Mission, 611 Reily St. Harrisburg, PA. Set up begins at approximately 6:30 pm and duties include helping with set up (may involve light lifting), assisting with communion and/or healing prayer, and helping break down after service. Volunteers are needed for the following 2024 dates:

May 12<sup>th</sup>

July 14<sup>th</sup>

September 8<sup>th</sup>

November 10<sup>th</sup>

Please prayerfully consider assisting in this important community outreach in service to Christ. For more information, contact Mindy Fesler at 717-245-2485 or email her at [mindyfesler@gmail.com](mailto:mindyfesler@gmail.com). Thank you.

### Members of Altar Guild



Members of altar guild who helped decorate for Easter Services: Monika Rahn, Arlene Young, Pat Douty, Donna Kohr, Linda Townsend, Cheryl Foster, and Dawn Urffer (not pictured - Marty Himler)

### Ecumenical Choir Concert



Mechanicsburg Area Council of Churches is pleased to present their 35<sup>th</sup> annual Ecumenical Choir concert.

**Sunday, May 19, 2024**  
**3:00 PM**

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church  
410 E Simpson St  
Mechanicsburg, PA

Musical Director: Eric Dundore  
Accompanist: Rebekah Henry

Featuring 103 voices from 33 area churches  
Free will offering – Proceeds to benefit:  
**New Hope Ministries, Inc.**

### Biblical Tabernacle Experience – at



the Mennonite Life Visitors Center. The Fellowship Committee is offering a day trip to see the Model of the Tabernacle in Lancaster,

on Tuesday, **June 25<sup>th</sup>**. “Enjoy the Biblical Tabernacle Experience through a multimedia experience. Join the Hebrew people on their journey with God by experiencing a full-scale reproduction of the tabernacle in the wilderness, as described in Hebrew scriptures. From the eastern gate of the courtyard to the Ark of the Covenant in the Holy of Holies, our 35-minute multimedia presentation immerses you in an ancient world.” Watch for further details in the announcement folder.



## July 27th - St. Timothy's Chicken



Chicken  
BBQ

**BBQ** Mark your calendars now for the Annual Chicken BBQ on Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>.

Anyone interested in helping with this very important mission, please email Deb Stein [djstein50@comcast.net](mailto:djstein50@comcast.net) or call 717 571-9313. More details to come in the June newsletter.

## Hampden Township's Creekview



### Family Fun Night

Great news! The Shepherding Care Committee's Outreach

Team is making plans for St Timothy's participation in Hampden Township's Creekview Family Fun Night, Friday evening, **August 2<sup>nd</sup>**. A wonderful opportunity for making connections with people in our community! Area residents have enjoyed Creekview Family Fun Night the past 30+ years! Each year, the event has included carnival games, inflatables, alpacas, DJ entertainment, food trucks, a petting zoo, and much more! We are looking to anyone who might be interested in helping to bring our booth to fruition. This includes, booth theme ideas, games/crafts for a wide range of ages, take-away ideas, etc. If you think this sounds right up your alley, please contact Jennifer Allen via text (717)884-4381 or email [jla1113@yahoo.com](mailto:jla1113@yahoo.com).

## Pastoral Care



pastoral care

If you need pastoral care, please contact Pastor Roger Keller one of several ways: call or text direct on his cell phone at 724-713-0549 or email him at

[prkeller@sttim.com](mailto:prkeller@sttim.com)

## Summer Worship Help Needed



Summer Worship  
Help Needed

The Worship Committee is starting to make plans for the summer outdoor worship services. This popular service is possible because of the numerous volunteers who graciously give of their time and talents. This year we are in need of persons who can help with the set-up and break-down of the chairs and the sound system. Training for the sound system will be provided. Please email [dmfrankovich@comcast.net](mailto:dmfrankovich@comcast.net) or call Deanna Frankovich at 717-697-3449 if you are willing to assist in the summer worship services. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

## Christi Himmelfahrt Gottesdienst mit Abendmahl



Ascension Service of Holy Communion

In the German Language

**Thursday, May 9, 2024**

**6:15 pm Kaffee & Kuchen** (Coffee & Cake)

**7:15 pm Gottesdienst** (Worship Service)

Zion remembers its German language heritage by offering an evening Ascension Service in German. (English translation will be available) Free street parking after 5:00 pm; free validated parking after 6:00 pm in the Chestnut Street garage. Service will be available online on Zoom & YouTube Details will be available at the church website below prior to the event. **Zion Lutheran Church** 15 S. 4th Street, Harrisburg [www.zionharrisburg.org](http://www.zionharrisburg.org)

*If you would like to participate in the service by reading Scripture or prayers, please respond to this email. Pastor Karin Pejack will contact you with more details.*

## ***It's time for a Baby Bottle Blast!***

We are, once again, participating in the Capital Area Pregnancy Center's annual Baby Bottle Blessing fundraiser running from **Mother's Day, May 12th to Father's Day June 16<sup>th</sup>**.

We would like every family to pick up at least one baby bottle from the table in the lobby and fill it with spare change/bills (checks are OK, too) and return it on Father's Day.

In 2023, the Baby Bottle Blast resulted in raising more than **\$144,000.**

*St. Timothy raised \$1,449.22 toward the final results!!*



***Remember to pray for moms, dads, and their preborn children during this time as well as those who've been hurt by abortion.***



- \$20 keeps the phone lines open for a day.
- \$40 provides an ultrasound and medical consultation for one client.
- \$50 provides the center with pregnancy tests for one month.
- \$80 provides pregnancy/parenting education for one client.
- \$500 ensures our doors stay open for one day.

**Any amount you give will help CAPC share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with those who God brings through their doors!**



*For You created my inmost being;  
You knit me together in my mother's womb.  
I praise You because I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Psalm 139: 13-14a*



## Great News of Perseverance!



### God's grace through times of trial

“In the Bible, it rained for 40 days and 40 nights. Day 41 came and the rain stopped.

Moses committed murder & hid in the desert for 40 years. Year 41 came, and God called him to help rescue Israel.

Moses went up on the mountain for 40 days. On day 41, he received the Ten Commandments.

The Israelites wandered in the wilderness for 40 years. Year 41, they walked into the Promised Land.

Goliath taunted Israel for 40 days. Day 41 came, and David slew him.

Jonah preached a message of repentance to Ninevah for 40 days. On day 41, God stopped His plan to destroy them.

Jesus fasted and was tempted for 40 days. Day 41, and the devil fled.

After His resurrection, Jesus appeared to His disciples for 40 days. On day 41, He ascended into Heaven.

All this to say...don't quit. The rain will stop, the giant will fall, and you will enter your “promised land.” Don't give up at 40...41 is coming.” (exerpt from internet)

**Immanuel Lutheran Church**  
(NALC), NYC.

March 2024 Immanuel LC in Manhattan had a welcomed 41 experience. Several years

(5+) ago Immanuel LC, Missouri Synod faithfully followed their constitution and had a strong vote to leave the ELCA but the Metro-NY Synod refused to release it. Once a land developer make Immanuel an offer to improve but preserve the church location, the synod became involved. Ultimately the situation went to court after a nasty battle over land value and ownership causing devastating personal and corporate attacks Immanuel congregation. Acknowledging the congregation's perseverance has paid off during this incredibly hard time, Pastor Gregory Fryer (NALC) wrote:

“We believed that God was at work in these times of trial, and we calmly carried on. We worshiped with quiet and undistracted minds. We supported our congregation with our time, our talents, and our treasure. We kept everything going, doing the best we could, and entrusting ourselves to God in Christ Jesus.”

In time the synod released the congregation and its assets. Immanuel decided that accepting their offer was the best course of action.

“Now we are free to press on, to work at the upbuilding of Immanuel Lutheran Church. Our aim is that our traditional congregation should flourish in Manhattan for centuries to come!”

Philippians 3:14 “...press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.” (Pastor Fryer)

Let us join in praising God with Immanuel LC and praying for all struggling congregations have the courage to follow the call of God in Christ Jesus. Don't give up at 40.....41 is coming!

This update provided by Marian Lefevre.

## Sunday Worship .... always an Easter celebration!



**YET NOT WHAT I WILL,  
BUT WHAT YOU WILL.** MARK 14:36

What was it like for Jesus right before His crucifixion? He knew it would not be an easy death. The image of the cross must have haunted His thoughts and filled Him with fear. No wonder Jesus prayed in the Garden “Father, everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me” (Mark 14:36).

But there’s one thing that makes His prayer different from all the panicky prayers we say when we’re scared out of our wits. Jesus added, “Yet not what I will, but what you will”. Jesus desperately wanted to escape and yet He said to God, “Go ahead and let it happen if that’s Your will”. Why?

Simple. He was focused on each one of us trapped in our fears and captive to the power of sin, death, and the devil. To set us free, Jesus was willing to face fear Himself. And more than that, He was willing to die. He walked through fear so He could rescue us from all our fears.

Now, by His suffering, death, and resurrection, Jesus has become our rescuer from all evil! Now, when we are afraid, we aren’t alone anymore. We have Jesus with us. He holds onto us, protecting us from evil, because we are the people He loves. He comforts us. He’s patient with us. He understands us, because He’s also known fear.

What a wonderful God we have! And what a joy it is to attend worship each Sunday praising our loving God! An Easter celebration each and every Sunday!



*“How beautiful  
are the feet of  
those who bring  
good news.”  
Romans 10:15*

### Shepherding Care thoughts...fast feet!

**“How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”  
Romans 10:15**

Walk into any sports store and you’ll see a vast array of athletic shoes. There are shoes for running, walking, hiking, soccer, golf, basketball, tennis, football, track, and baseball. Choosing the right shoes means knowing the purpose for wearing them.

Did you know that getting dressed each day includes putting God’s shoes on our feet? Isaiah 52:7 tells us the purpose of wearing God’s shoes. Wearing God’s shoes readies us to bring good news and to announce peace. In ancient times, information didn’t arrive by television, radio, newspaper, e-mail, texting, or cell phones. News came on foot. “Ready feet” were those of messengers who quickly spread the news by running miles to do so.

We joyfully wear God’s shoes to bring God’s love and peace to all people. Jesus came into the world to save all people from their sins. Jesus did this by giving himself on the cross. This love and mercy of Jesus our Savior energizes our feet to tell others about this good news!

## Keep-in-Touch Phone Gatherings



Keep-in-Touch Phone Gatherings are a quick, easy, and fun way for us at St Timothy’s to stay connected through fellowship, God’s Word, and prayer.

May’s gatherings will occur:


- May 26<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 pm
- May 27<sup>th</sup> – May 30<sup>th</sup> (each day: 1:00 pm and 6:30 pm)

Each gathering:

- Occurs by way of a group phone call
- Comprises about 6 – 8 people
- Lasts about 30 minutes
- Begins with a time for fellowship/sharing
- Continues with talking about an Our Daily Bread mini-devotion
- Closes with prayer

For a gathering, all you need to do is:

- Pick a gathering date/time you’d like to attend
- Contact Eric/Tena Brown (717)440-0797 or Jim/Karen Vogel (717)719-9519 with your date/time selection
- On the date/time of your selected gathering, answer your phone so you can be connected into the group phone call
- Participate in the conversation as much as you wish

 <b>St. Timothy Lutheran Church Report Of Budget Financial Status For the Month of March 2024</b>			
Treasurer Report	ACTUAL Budget Income	ACTUAL Budget Expense	POSITIVE (Negative)
Current Month	\$ 49,890	\$ 35,964	\$13,926
Current Year-to-Date	\$323,056	\$314,423	\$8,633
Prior Year-to-Date Results	\$308,349	\$287,429	\$20,920
NALC Benevolence Year to Date	\$6,973.46		
Atlantic Mission Region	\$4,419.14		
2020 Vision Appeal	\$2,973.00		

## PENTECOST GERANIUMS

To celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, St. Timothy’s worship space will again sprout glorious red geraniums. If you wish to donate plants, please **PRINT CLEARLY** all the information on the form below and return it in the offering plate or to the church office with a check by **May 12, 2024**. (If you need more space required for names, please write on the back of this form.)



I (we) wish to provide \_\_\_\_\_ # of plants at \$6.00 each.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Please list my gifts of geraniums as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_ To the Glory of God

\_\_\_\_\_ In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donor’s Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## Calling All Graduates!



Are you or someone you know a 2024 high school or post-secondary graduate? If so, please complete the form below so that this wonderful accomplishment can be recognized in prayers and praises to God! A completed form can be left in the offering plate, left in the church office mail slot, or emailed to the church office at [secretary@sttim.com](mailto:secretary@sttim.com).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduating From: \_\_\_\_\_

Plans after graduation (College, Military, Job...): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



## Nursery School Events Happening This Month

### Tykes on Trikes



On Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> from 9:30-11:00 AM, the nursery school children will be bringing their tricycles, Big Wheels, and scooters to school to participate in our eighth annual Tykes on Trikes, a Trike-a-Thon fundraiser (similar to a Race for Education, just on tricycles, Big Wheels or scooters)! Children who raised a minimum of \$20 in pledges will receive a T-shirt. Tykes on Trikes will be held on the bike course in the back parking lot, and parents, family members and members of the church are welcome to come and cheer on the kids!

### Registration for Next Year



Our last day for this school year is Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, but registration is still continuing for the 2024-2025 school year. Please let your family and friends know that we still have openings in our 2 ½ year-old and 3-year-old classes. Please call 717-418-0676 for more information. Thank you!

## Opportunity to help the Nursery School

### Weis 4 School Program



When you register your Weis Rewards card online at [weis4school.com](http://weis4school.com), you can earn money for our school simply by shopping! Once you register, you're in the program and you do not need to register again this school year. Please share this information with your friends and family. Thank you for helping us earn \$200 last year through this program!



# May 2024

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

*\*Traditional Services*



8:00 am Worship Service				
Role	*May 5 <sup>th</sup>	*May 12 <sup>th</sup>	*May 19 <sup>th</sup>	May 26 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Greg Kincaid	Jason Swartly	Linda Townsend	Will Harmon
<b>Lector</b>	Michelle Elliott	Jason Swartley	Pai Swanger	Kevin Kincaid
<b>Usher</b>	Elliott family	Tom & Cindy Kachel	Gary Larson Mel Strait	Rich Lepley Nancy Frankenfield
<b>Greeters</b>	Janet Reinbrecht	Ross Flint Gary Bender	Bobbi Larson	Carole Harmon
<b>Acolytes</b>				

10:30 am Worship Service				9:45 am Outdoor Worship	
Role	*May 5 <sup>th</sup>	*May 12 <sup>th</sup>	*May 19 <sup>th</sup>	May 26 <sup>th</sup>	
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Eli Fesler	R J Harris	Jennifer Allen	Russ Urffer	
<b>Lector</b>	Micah Keller	Tom Gehman	Mindy Fesler	Eric Brown	
<b>Usher</b>	Charles Boyle Dick Himler	Bill Brown Chuck Irvin	Deb Stein Roger Williams	Ken Black Jerry Bruns	
<b>Greeters</b>	Dee Titus	Pat Douty	Ann Krammes	<b>Chair Team</b>	Volunteers Needed
<b>Acolytes</b>	Susan & Jane Beaverson	Ella Bechard	Tom Gehman	<b>Sound Team</b>	Volunteers Needed
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Dee Titus	Pat Douty	Mindy Fesler Arlene Young	Carolyn Irvin Dona Colberg Dawn Urffer	

*If unexpected conflicts arise, please trade with each other*



# MAY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p><b>Outdoor Worship Service Begins...</b> May 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 am</p>			<b>1</b> 10:30 am Exec	<b>2</b> 9:30 am Pericope 6:30 pm Bible Study 7:30 pm Choir	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 8:30 am Men's breakfast @ Peppermill
<b>5</b> <u>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</u> <i>58<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Timothy</i> 8:00 am –Worship 9:15 am – Sunday School 10:30 am –Worship	<b>6</b> 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl 7:00 pm Property 7:00 Boy Scouts	<b>7</b> 9:30 am Fellowship 1:00 pm Prayer Ministry 6:00 pm Education	<b>8</b> 7:00 pm Council	<b>9</b> 6:15 pm Bible Study 7:30 pm Choir	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> <u>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</u> <i>Mother's Day</i> 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship  7:00 pm - Worship Services at Bethesda	<b>13</b> 6:30 pm Carlisle Bible Study 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Newsletter Deadline</b> 11:30 am Servant Ldr. 1:00 pm Worship 5:30 pm Middlers 6:00 pm VBS	<b>16</b> 6:15 pm Bible Study 7:30 pm Choir	<b>17</b> 6:00 pm Family Spaghetti dinner	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> <u>Day of Pentecost</u> <i>Confirmation</i> 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Funday Sunday 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship <i>Confirmation lunch following Worship</i> 12:30 pm Congregational Meeting	<b>20</b> 7:00 Boy Scouts	<b>21</b> 1:00 pm Prayer Ministry	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 6:15 pm Bible Study	<b>24</b> 6:00 pm Family Friday	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> <u>Holy Trinity Sunday</u> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Outdoor Service</i> 8:00 am Worship 10:30 am Worship	<b>27</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> Memorial Day  7:00 pm Boy Scouts	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 6:15 pm Bible Study		

## 8:00 am and 10:30 am - Worship Services Online

The You Tube **Live Stream** link for the worship service is:  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCr6KbE\\_JI7LzZId4i40cOnA/live](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCr6KbE_JI7LzZId4i40cOnA/live) or on St. Timothy's website: [www.sttim.com](http://www.sttim.com)





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