

Sunday, January 19, 2025
St. Timothy Lutheran Church
Second Sunday after Epiphany



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. Please respect the social distancing wishes of those around you. Holy Communion is at the altar or individual tiny cups of grape juice and wafer are at the church entrance. A short explanation of how the sets are used is on page 8 under the distribution.

GATHERING

Call to Worship

Bind Us Together

(blue) WOV 748

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.**

P: 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.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Most merciful God,

C: 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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Song

All Are Welcome

(red) ELW 641

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: Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Children's Message

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will give.
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the Lord delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you. The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 36:5-10

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

**Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;
you save humankind and animals, O Lord.**

How priceless is your love, O God!

All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

**They feast upon the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

For with you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.

**Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you,
and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

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

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please rise as you are able)

Gospel: John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is

that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him. The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please be seated)

SERMON

(Please rise as you are able)

Hymn of the Day

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise ELW 310

The Apostles' Creed

**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.

(Please be seated)

Prayers of Intercession

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

(A brief silence.)

A: Giver of gifts, you form each member of the church to serve. Inspire us to boldly use gifts of welcome and healing, service and teaching, leading and preaching, for the sake of your work in the world. God of grace,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Refuge of creatures, you place all the living under the shadow of your wings. Lead us in ways that tend to the needs of wild and domestic animals, creatures threatened by extinction, and the environment we share. God of grace,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Voice of the oppressed, you call prophets throughout time. We remember the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a voice for racial and economic justice and for peace. Guide our nation in continuing to heed your prophetic call. God of grace,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages and relationships in mutual care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts and broken dreams. Be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need, especially for Kristina, Ernie, Lowell, Sonja, Tanya, Ron, Maureen, Doug, Mary, Janet Shannon, Christine Lutz, Amy, Eli, Dorian, Karen Burger, June, Tim, and Kate. We especially lift up Jean in hospice and Leslie who is preparing for surgery. We celebrate with Fred Warren in his return home. Uphold each person as your beloved. God of grace,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Spirit of peace, celebrating this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we pray for neighboring congregations and ministry sites. Nurture our shared commitment to embody Jesus' love, justice, and healing. God of grace,

C: Hear our prayer.

(Here other intercessions may be offered, quietly or to the congregation.)

A: Wellspring of life, in living and dying we trust in you. We give thanks for the saints. Guide us in our living until, at last, we rest in you. God of grace,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

C: Amen.

Please rise as you are able for sharing 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:

**C: God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens,
and your abundance to the depths of the seas.**

**Bless what we offer to your service:
our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.**

**Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity,
now 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, God of pow'r and might, ELW page 144b*
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

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 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 if prefer grape juice. Afterwards set the chalice on the table in the middle aisle and continue down the aisle to your pew.

Lord's Prayer

**C: 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 Hymns: *Lamb of God* *ELW page 146b*
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

Now the Silence *ELW 460*
By Your Hand You Feed Your People *ELW 469*
Will You Come and Follow Me *ELW 798*

(Please rise as you are able)

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

**C: Nourishing God,
at this table you have refreshed us
with holy gifts of food and drink.
Strengthen us for service,
and send us out to embody your good news
of liberation and healing for the sake of the world.
In the name of Christ we pray, Amen.**

SENDING

Blessing:

The Spirit of the triune God
+ bless you with joy,
anoint you with compassion,
and send you in love.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn:

We Are All One in Mission

ELW 576

Dismissal:

P: Go in peace. Live in hope.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Annual Meeting

Postlude

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness ELW 489

We give God thanks or lift before God:

- + For our nation and the world that all might put love, generosity, and patience first
- + President Biden and all who govern
- + For homeless people as they struggle to find affordable housing
- + 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 Maureen's decisions after cancer diagnosis
- + For the effort of Cultivate Initiatives for people in need in S.E. Multnomah County
- + For Kristina Heitmann in her ongoing health concerns
- + For Dorian for recent diagnosis of diabetes.
- + For Jean and family.
- + For Leslie as she continues to recover.
- + For Kate Henderson for recovery after surgery.
- + For June, and her recovery after surgery.
- + For Mary's grandson, and his deployment in the service.

Daily Readings for January 20-January 25

Monday, Romans 12:9-21

Tuesday, 1 Corinthians 1:3-17

Wednesday, Psalm 145

Thursday, Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Friday, Psalm 19

Saturday, 1 Corinthians 12:12-31

January 26th, Third Sunday after Epiphany

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19;

1 Corinthians 12:12-31; Luke 4:14-21

This Week at St. Timothy's

Today, 2nd Sunday after Epiphany, January 19, 2025

9:20 am—Choir practice

10 am—Worship Service (Zoom available)

Annual church meeting, in the Sanctuary

Potluck after the meeting, downstairs

Monday 10 am—1 pm Office & Pantry hours

Tuesday 11 am—1 pm Office & Pantry hours

6:30 pm—8 pm Council meeting

Wednesday 10 am—11:30 am Pastor Hamada's office hours

10 am—1 pm Office & Pantry hours

Thursday 10 am—1 pm Office & Pantry hours

7:00 pm—8:30 pm Choir practice

Friday 10 am—1 pm Fourth Friday bingo & potluck

Saturday 9:30 am—Property work, check with Ray to see if it is cancelled

Next Sunday 3rd Sunday after Epiphany, January 26, 2025

9:20 am—Choir Practice

10 am—Worship Service (Zoom available) Installation of council

Coffee time after the service

January—February 2, Worship Services

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

	January 5	January 12	January 19	January 26	February 2
Preacher	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada
Assistant	Ray W.	Sherry W.	Shannon H.	Ray W.	Sherry W.
Lector	Cathy H.	Lisa S.	Karen R.	Shannon H.	Tim H.
Usher	Gladys & Greta	Allen & Ernie	Skip & Marcia	Steve & LeAnn	Skip & Marcia
Communion	Cathy H.	Candace & Gladys	Elaine & Karen O.	Candace & Gladys	Elaine & Karen
Tiny Tims Aide	Daniel R.	Greta	Amanda Martinez	Bridgett DeClercq	Daniel R.
Video & Sound	Ray W.	Ray W.	Ray W.	Ray W.	Ray W.
Counters	Tim & Candace	Ray & Ernie	Elaine & Tim	Ray & Candace	Elaine & Ernie
Music	Gary S.	Gary S.	Gary S.	Gary S.	Gary S.
Care Coord.	Karen O.	Karen O.	Karen O.	Karen O.	Sherry W.

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 7, under Distribution.

WORSHIP WITH US ONLINE any Sunday at 10 am, online at:

[Zoom.us meeting 846 9586 7893 code: 307128](#)

FOOD PANTRY VISITS: The number of visits to the church's food pantry for the third week of January 2025 are 31. Needs are for cereal, tuna, chicken, and fruit.

COMING EVENTS

January 18th starting at 9:30 am Basement Storage Room clean-up: Helpers are needed to Sort/ Save/ Dumpster items and to organize the items we save. All are welcome. Please come, even if it's for a short while. It's a big task! We have saved way too many things, 'just in case'. We need the room to be useful again. **Contact Karen Olomua**

FOOD PANTRY: Anyone who works on the food pantry distributing to the public, shopping, or at PFP are encouraged/required to attend a meeting on January 26th following the church service. We have several new people involved and we need to work together. Sherry

The 2025 Annual Congregational meeting is today, January 19th, after the service. The church budget will be reviewed and new Council members will be elected. The annual report will be available. Potluck following the meeting.