

Sunday, April 20, 2025
St. Timothy Lutheran Church
Easter Sunday



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

Easter Song

Anne Herring

Hear the bells ringing... He is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Announcements

Opening Prayer

Thanksgiving Confession and Forgiveness

(Please rise as you are able)

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of † the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

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

Jesus Christ is Ris'n Today

(red book) ELW 365

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: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Children's Message

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

Peter began to speak to the people: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;
God's mercy endures forever.

**Let Israel now declare,
"God's mercy endures forever."**

The Lord is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:
"The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"**

The right hand of the Lord is exalted!
The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!”

**I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.**

The Lord indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.

**Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.**

“This is the gate of the Lord;
here the righteous may enter.”

**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation.**

The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

**By the Lord has this been done;
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please rise as you are able)

Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away

from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The Gospel of the Lord,

C: Thanks be to God

SERMON

(Please rise as you are able)

Hymn of the Day

Thine Is the Glory

ELW 376

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

A: Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

(A brief silence)

A: Kindle new life in your church. Encourage all who seek creative ways to share the good news of Christ's resurrection. Bless mission developers and new ministries, that their work plant seeds that flourish. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Nourish new life in all of creation. Shower forests and grasslands, deserts, and mountains with life-giving rains. Grant us delight in your glory that shows forth in all that grows this season. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: The nations declare your praise, O God. Where religious differences divide, bring together those who worship you in the name of Jesus Christ and those who call to you with different names. Guide interreligious dialogue, that faith may unite rather than divide communities. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Empower new life among the nations. As you raised Jesus from the dead, bring new hope for peace and reconciliation in places of war and strife. Raise up leaders who are steadfast in their commitment to justice and transformation. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Bring new hope among all who are in need, especially neighbors without homes or food, and those whose housing or food supply is at risk. Bring healing to all who are fearful, ill, or grieving especially Kristina, Mary, Kate, Anthony L., Kevin Johnson, Betty C., Christine, Fred Warren, Linda Wabs, and Skip. We pray for Leslie for continued healing, and Ernie as he continues to heal. May all who weep now sing songs of joy again. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

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

A: Awaken new life in this place. Open our hearts to ways you are calling us to be at work in the world and our community. Give us courage to boldly share your love for all people beyond our walls. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Trusting in the promises of the resurrection, we remember with thanksgiving our beloved dead. Sustain us with a living hope until we are reunited with them and all the saints at the heavenly banquet. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C: Amen.

(Please rise as you are able for sharing of the Peace & The Great Thanksgiving)

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

Offertory Hymn *Praise God from whom all Blessings Flow* ELW 885
*Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heav'nly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

Offering Prayer: *(together)*

C: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

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 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	<i>ELW page 146b</i>
	Signs and Wonders	<i>ELW 672</i>
	Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing	<i>ELW 385</i>
	By Your Hand You Feed Your People	<i>ELW 469</i>

(Please rise as you are able)

Prayer of Thanksgiving: (together)

**C: Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us.
Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim
your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.**

SENDING

Blessing:

The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come,
Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit,
light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn: *Christ the Lord is Ris'n Today* *ELW 369*

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

C: Thanks be to God. ALLELUIA!

Postlude

Orientis Partibus ELW 373

Daily Readings for April 21st-April 16th

Monday, 1Corinthians 5:6-8

Tuesday, Revelation 12:1-12

Wednesday, Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Thursday, Acts 5:27-32

Friday, Mark 1:1-15

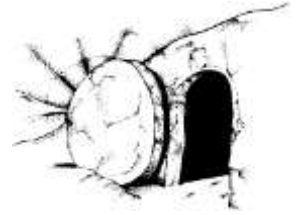
Saturday, Revelation 4-8

Next Sunday April 27th,

John 20:19-31, Acts 5:27-32, Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150,
Revelation 1:4-8



HAPPY EASTER



He is Risen, He is Risen Indeed

We give God thanks or lift before God:

- + For our nation and the world that all might put love, generosity, and patience first
- + For homeless people as they struggle to stay warm and to find shelter
- + For St. Timothy and all churches, that the Holy Spirit would continue to inspire, encourage, and guide us in God's mission to love the world
- + Give strength to those with challenges at work, home, and in their personal lives
- + For the effort of Cultivate Initiatives for people in need in S.E. Multnomah County
- + For Kristina Heitmann in her ongoing health concerns
- + For Leslie as she recovers in care center.
- + For Tanner according to her needs.
- + Ernie Rippe for continuous recovery.
- + Linda Wabs for cancer treatment.
- + Fred Warren in the hospital
- + Joe Ropar for continued healing.
- + Anthony L. and family for strength and healing as he goes through cancer treatments.

This Week at St. Timothy's
Today, Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

9:20 am—Choir practice
 10 am—Worship Service (Zoom available)
 Easter Brunch after service

Monday 10 am—1 pm Office & Pantry hours
Tuesday 11 am—1 pm Office & Pantry hours
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

9:00 am—Property work party
Saturday
Next Sunday **Second Sunday in Easter, April 27th , 2025**

9:20 am—Choir Practice
 10 am—Worship Service (Zoom available)
 Coffee Hour after service

April Worship Services

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

	March 30	April 6	April 13	April 20	April 27
Preacher	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada	Pastor Yukio Hamada
Assistant	Ray W.	Sherry W.	Karen O.	Sherry W.	Ray W.
Lector	Karen Ropar	Tim H.	Various Readers	Cathy H.	Twila R.
Usher	Gladys & Gre-ta	Steve & LeAnn	Allen & Tim H.	Steve & LeAnn	Skip & Marcia
Communion	Elaine & Karen O.	Candace & Gladys	Elaine & Karen O.	Cathy H	Candace & Gladys
Tiny Tims Aide	Michelle Grammer	Amanda & Monica	Bridgett & Michelle	Amanda & Monica	Michelle Grammer
Video & sound	Ray W.	Ray W.	Ray W.	Ray W.	Ray W.
Counters	Ray & Candace	Tim H. & Ray	Elaine & Tim H.	Tim H. & Ray	Candace & Elaine
Music	Gary S.	Gary S.	Gary S.	Gary S.	Gary S.
Care Coord.	Karen O.	Sherry W.	Sherry W.	Sherry W.	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 8 under Distribution.

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

[Zoom.us meeting 846 9586 7893 code: 307128](https://us02zoom.us/j/84695867893)

FOOD PANTRY VISITS: We served 29 people as of Wednesday this third week of April. We were blessed with 1235 lbs of food and two wagon loads of food from local community donors. For now our shelves are stocked. We are currently looking for donations of personal items.

CRAFT DAY AND POTLUCK 11:00 am on Wednesday May 7th. Join Twila and Shannon in creating decorated boxes that can be used for gifts, storage, decorations, etc. No previous experience needed. You don't need to be crafty to do this project. Boxes, papers, glues, and embellishments will be provided at no cost for the first box. If you have any special papers or embellishments you would like to use, please feel free to bring them. Additional boxes and papers will be available to purchase if you want to make another box. Please let Shannon or Twila know if you are going to attend.

HEALTH MINISTRY During the month of May we will be collecting Emergency information to be kept in a Confidential Health Ministry file. We can call 911 in an emergency, BUT who do we call when someone does not need 911 but the support of a contact or family member? Having this information on file would be beneficial to help us provide this support for those in the building for worship, volunteering, or during an event. This is voluntary, but speaking as your Parish Nurse, this is one more way we can support the health and safety of our congregation. A form will be provided to each person to fill out. Questions? Contact Karen Olomua, Parish Nurse

NO FOURTH FRIDAY Potluck/Bingo this month.

OFFICE MANAGER POSITION: St. Timothy is seeking a person fill the position of part-time Office Manager. If you know some who might be interested please pick up a copy of the job description to share with them.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped make the Easter Jubilee a success.