

# *This Week at St. Timothy*

**March 10, 2024**

Sunday 3/10	Worship Service  Grace Cafe Sunday School	8:30AM & 11AM 9:30AM 10:00 AM
Monday 3/11	Office Closed Young Adult Bible Study	7 :00PM
Tuesday 3/12	Staff Meeting Love Quilting Group Praise Team	9:30AM 1:00PM 6:30PM
Wednesday 3/13	Centering Prayer Confirmation Co-op Bible Study	12:00PM 5:30PM 7:00P.M
Thursday 3/14	Men In Mission Bible Study Sarah Tent Lenten Worship  Bells Choir	7:00AM 10:30AM 11AM & 7:00PM 4:30PM 5:30PM
Friday 3/15	Office Closed Al-Anon	8:00PM
Saturday 3/16	Worship Service	5:00PM
Sunday 3/17	Worship Service  Grace Café Sunday School	8:30AM & 11AM 9:30AM 10:00 AM

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**Pastor Curt Snare**



**March 9-10, 2024**  
**Fourth Sunday**  
**of Lent**

**OUR MISSION**  
*A caring church sharing Jesus with the world by offering help, hope and home.*

***We Worship our God, Host and Head of our Church Jesus Christ***

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP!**

The Disciples of St. Timothy Lutheran Church extend a special welcome to our guests and invite you to share with us in our ministry, our mission, our fellowship and our growth! If you are a visitor, please notice the Welcome cards in the pews. Please fill out the back of the card and place in the offering plate or give to an usher.

## **FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**

Please speak with the ushers if you have any special needs. Specialized hearing devices are available upon request. Holy Communion will be shared in the pew upon request with an usher, if you are unable to go to the altar area.

## **NURSERY & RESTROOMS**

If you are in need of nursery facilities, please ask an usher (parental supervision required). All restrooms are located in the atrium area.

## HOLY COMMUNION

You may come forward during this time to receive Holy Communion (at direction of the ushers) if you are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, our Savior, is truly present in the bread and wine you are about to receive. You may receive Communion by receiving the wafer (gluten free upon request) in your hand and receiving an individual cup of wine (or grape juice). If someone in your family has not yet received communion and would like to, please contact the Pastor. If you only want a blessing, come forward with your arms across your chest. May God bless us with forgiveness, strength and love as we share in this precious moment with our Lord!

## PRELUDE

## INVOCATION

Blessed be † God  
who is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and rich in love.  
God does not treat us as our sins deserve  
nor punish us according to our guilt,  
but looks upon us in compassion,  
forgives our sin, and heals our lives.

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Therefore, let us confess our sin  
in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection,  
self-examination and confession.*



During February and March **WELCA** will be collecting food for the migrant workers in Dade City. We particularly need; beans, rice, vegetable oil, tomato sauce, canned tomatoes and flour. Other staple foods are also accepted. Also, sturdy cotton clothing for men, women and children, especially long sleeved shirts. The items will be delivered before Easter.

Collection baskets are in the Narthex.

**Thank you, we can't do this without you!**

*Easter Lily sign up in  
Narthex  
\$11.00 each  
In Honor or Memory of  
Please pay by March 20th.*



Through - 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Contemplative  
 March 21 Lenten Worship Around the Cross  
 March 9 9:30-1:30 WELCA Spring Gathering  
 March 10 Daylight Savings Time Spring Ahead  
 March 17 9:30 am - 1:30 pm Bloodmobile  
 March 19 10:00 am Palm Cross Assembly  
 March 21 9:30 am Mary, Martha & Naomi Cir  
 March 24 Palm Sunday  
 March 30 9:00 am Carnation Cross Assembly  
 12:00-12:00 Prayer Vigil



**Lenten Midweek Worship  
 Every Thursday—March 21  
 11:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.  
 Prayer Around the Cross**  
 These services are based on  
**“Lectio Divina”**, which means  
 “divine reading” in Latin. It's a  
 meditative way of reading the  
 Bible in which we let go of our  
 own agendas and open  
 ourselves to what God is trying  
 to say to us.



**Young Adult Bible Study**  
 Mondays 7-8:30 PM  
 @ St. Timothy  
 Meet new people, explore your faith  
 and ask questions.  
 Text EXPLORE to 727-741-2365

Have mercy, O God,  
**against you, you alone, have we sinned.**  
**In your compassion,**  
**cleanse us from our sin**  
**and take away our guilt.**  
**Create in us a new heart,**  
**and give us a steadfast spirit.**  
**Do not cast us away,**  
**but fill us with your Holy Spirit**  
**and restore your joy within us.**

As tender as parent to child,  
 so gently is God with you.  
 As high as heaven is above earth,  
 so vast is God’s love for you.  
 As far as east is from west,  
 so far God removes your sin from you,  
 renewing your life through **†** Jesus Christ.

Blessed by God who crowns us with mercy and love.  
**Blessed be God forever.**

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**GATHERING HYMN**  
**Give to Our God Immortal Praise!**                      **ELW 848**

**GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God  
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Numbers 21:4-9

PSALM: 107:1-3,17-22

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:1-10

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL John 3:14-21

The Gospel of the Lord:  
Praise to you, O Christ.

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY

Lift High The Cross

ELW 660

## SERMON

## APOSTLES CREED

## THE PRAYERS

Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.



Please join us to assemble  
palm crosses.  
**NO** prior experience needed,  
instructions provided, its fun!

*March 19th 10:00 a.m.*



Centering Prayer Group  
WEDNESDAY'S on Zoom at 12:00pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85880536085?>

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Feel free to invite others!

LUTHERAN  
MEN'S MISSION<sup>®</sup>  
Building men for Christ

*Sonrise Group - Men's Bible Study*

Meets Thursday's at the Garden Grille  
in Palm Harbor at 7:00 a.m.

*All men are welcome!*



A prayer chain is a group of  
God's people praying for one  
another for healing, peace, strength  
and/or for discernment. Also, information about  
illnesses, hospitalizations, deaths or celebrations  
are shared on the prayer chain. All you need to  
do is **PRAY!** If you would like to become a St  
Timothy Prayer Angel, send Gaye an email at:  
[gayePollinoFernandes@gmail.com](mailto:gayePollinoFernandes@gmail.com)

**Week of March 11, 2024**

Mon Psalm 146 Isaiah 59:9-19 Acts 9:1-20	Thurs Psalm 130 Ezekial 1:1-3;2:8—3:3 Revelation 10:1-11
Tue Psalm 146 Isaiah 42:14-21 Colossians 1:9-14	Fri Psalm 130 Ezekiel 33:10-16 Revelation 11:15-19
Wed Psalm 146 Isaiah 60:17-22 Matthew 9:27-34	Sat Psalm 130 Ezekiel 36:8-15 Luke 24:44-53



***So I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it and it will be yours. Mark 11:24***

Bob McAleer  
Diane Allwardt  
Esther Kontos  
Gregg Weaver  
Judy Thomas  
Karen Wilcox

Keith Jackson  
Ken Greinke  
Michael Valentio  
Nickey Clark  
Rhada Hartmann  
Tom Hill

**JAMES 5:16**

If you want to pray for someone pick up a request.

If you want to be prayed for leave a request.

A table is set up in the Narthex.



***A brief silence.***

Gracious God, your love unites. Give vision to the global church and foster cooperation in mission. Increase inter-religious understanding and ecumenical dialog. Make your church a sanctuary for all fleeing persecution, disaster, and war (areas in crisis may be named). Hear us, O God.

***Your mercy is great.***

Creating God, your love enlivens. Restore balance to the earth's fragile habitats. Preserve wilderness lands, rainforests, and wildlife. Cleanse oceans and rivers (local water sources may be named). Make us good stewards of the earth. Hear us, O God.

***Your mercy is great.***

Righteous God, your love liberates. We give thanks for those who courageously witness to your liberating love (especially Harriet Tubman and Sojourner Truth, renewers of society, whom we commemorate today). Free all people from the evils of racism, religious strife, and hatred. Hear us, O God.

***Your mercy is great.***

Merciful God, your love heals. Care tenderly for all whose loved ones perished. Strengthen health care workers, first responders, and caregivers. Relieve all who live with chronic illness and pain. Hear us, O God.

***Your mercy is great.***

Incarnate God, your love enlightens. Open our hearts and minds to fresh understandings of our faith. Deepen our love for you and for one another. Teach us to pray for our enemies. Hear us, O God.

***Your mercy is great.***

Here other intercessions may be offered. Abiding God, your love saves. Those who died in the faith are made alive in Christ. We give thanks for your promise that we also will be raised to newness of life. Hear us, O God.

***Your mercy is great.***

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

### SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.  
And also with you.

### GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### SPECIAL MUSIC

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Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come!		
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When I Survey the Wondrous Cross		ELW 803
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### SENDING HYMN

O God Of Mercy, God of Light

ELW 714

### DISMISSAL

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*The eternal light is given by  
Jared Medrano  
for God's blessings of a  
new opportunity  
The communion wine  
is given by  
Dave and Sandee Liebau  
in memory of loved ones*



Envelopes are in the Narthex  
for carnation donations  
for our Easter Cross.  
*If you would like to help  
assemble the cross,  
please join us  
March 30th 9:00 a.m.*



**For if eagerness is there, the gift is  
acceptable according to what one has-not  
according to what one does not have.**

*2 Corinthians 8:12*