# April 14, 2024 Our Week at St. Timothy

Sunday 4/14	Worship Service  Grace Cafe  Children Pick Up Your  Sunday School Bag	8:30AM & 11AM 9:30AM
Monday 4/15	Office Closed Young Adult Bible Study	7 :00PM
Tuesday 4/16	Staff Meeting Love Quilting Group	9:30AM 1:00PM
Wednesday 4/17	Centering Prayer Confirmation Co-op Bible Study Mission Board	12:00PM 5:30PM 7:00P.M 6:45PM
Thursday 4/18	Men In Mission Bible Study Mary, Martha Naomi Cir Sarah Tent Pastor Curt Bible Study Bells Choir Praise Team	7:00AM 10:00AM 10:30AM 12:30P,M 4:30PM 5:30PM 6:30PM
Friday 4/19	Office Closed Al-Anon	8:00PM
Saturday 4/20	Worship Service Children Pick Up Your Sunday School Bag	5:00PM
Sunday 4/21	Worship Service  Grace Café  Children Pick Up Your  Sunday School Bag  Dr. Peter Hartmann  Presentation on Stress	8:30AM & 11AM 9:30AM 1:00PM

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# April 13-14, 2024 Third Sunday of Easter

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 the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

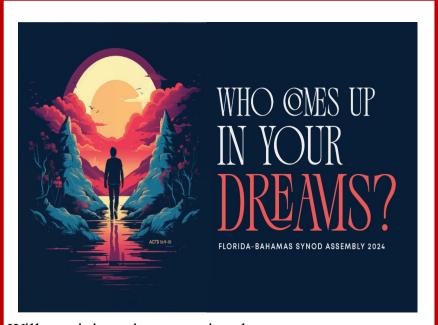
# THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

ENTRANCE HYMN Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!

**ELW 377** 

# **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.** 



Will you join us in supporting the 2024 Synod Assembly Service Project benefiting the Orlando Union Rescue Mission. This Christian organization has served the homeless population in central Florida since 1948. As one of Central Florida's oldest and largest homeless services providers, the Orlando Union Rescue Mission remains committed to helping the hungry, hurting, and homeless by providing programs and services designed to transform lives. Through short-term provision of basic needs, Christ-centered care, discipleship, and education, OURM aims to lead the homeless to permanent independence built upon a personal relationship with Christ.

This year we will collect high-demand items from the Rescue Mission's wish list. Thank you for partnering with us to be the hands and feet of Christ during our Synod Assembly.

ITEMS NEEDED ARE POSTED IN THE NARTHEX.
Please place items in the designated bin in the Narthex.

Final collection will be May 29th.

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Every Thursday @ 12:30 p.m. The weekly scriptures are studied to prepare us for worship the upcoming Sunday. Bring your questions, curiosity and an open heart to come and take a deeper look at the scriptures of our weekly lectionary.

IN PERSON OR ON ZOOM!

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

THE GOSPEL OF

JOHN

This wonderful Gospel of John where Jesus openly presents himself as the divine Son of God. Please join us in the study /discussion each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in person or on zoom.

HYMN OF PRAISE O the Joy (on screen)

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19

**PSALM:** 

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-7

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Be Not Afraid ELW 388

GOSPEL Luke 24:36b-48

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia!

**ELW 364** 

**SERMON** 

**APOSTLES CREED** 

### THE PRAYERS

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

# A brief silence.

O God our holy one, you feed our deepest hungers. As we share the holy meal that is the body and blood of Jesus given for us, lead us to share all that we have, and find, in generosity, abundant life. God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

O God our creator, you bring forth all life on earth. Calm storms, bring water to parched places, and protect the climate, that this planet would sustain life in all its variety. God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

O God our savior, you offer wisdom and guidance beyond all human knowledge. Instruct lawmakers, judges, and elected officials to make decisions grounded in your justice and care for all people. God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

O God our elder, you care for all your children. Encourage those who are in times of transition, facing the loss of old ways and routines and anticipating change. Guide those who journey in grief, hope, and uncertainty (especially). God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

O God our center, you bring all people together in you. Help us to remember our identity and purpose in our ministry (ministry context may be named). Move us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to share in beloved community. God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.



# MARY, MARTHA, NAOMI CIRCLE

Thursday, April 18th 10:00 a.m.

Women of all ages are welcome to attend! See Miriam Walka if you have any questions.



# April 27th and April 28th



The Holy Land Christians are going to be our guests! Please come (bring a friend) and hear their story and see their beautiful olivewood crafts for sale in the Narthex.

# MEN'MISSION'

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!

# CHILDREN'S Sunday School

We Are Trying Something New! In order to reach children at all 3 services and increase faith life in the home, we will be offering Children's Sunday School bags to take home. For now, this will take the place of children's Sunday School classes on Sunday mornings. This monthly bag will be available in the Narthex and will be changed monthly to align with the lectionary. We hope this new approach helps families to grow in Christ together!



# Week of April 15, 2024

Mon Psalm 150 Jeremiah 30:1-11a 1 John 3:10-16

Tue Psalm 150 Hosea 5:15—6:6

2 John 1-6

Wed Psalm 150 Proverbs 9:1-6

Mark 16:9-18

Thurs Psalm 23

Genesis 30:25-43

Acts 3:17-26

Fri Psalm 23

Genesis 46:28—47:6

Acts 4:1-4

Sat Psalm 23

Genesis 48:8-19



**Judy Thomas** 

So I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it and it will be yours.

Mark 11:24

All those displaced from their homes Diane Allwardt Esther Kontos Gregg Weaver

Karen Wilcox Lynn Henderson Milt Kontos Nickey Clark Tom Hill Werner Steiner



# **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.

O God our center, you bring all people together in you. Help us to remember our identity and purpose in our ministry (ministry context may be named). Move us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to share in beloved community. God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **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** 

**OFFERTORY** O the Joy (on screen)

# **OFFERING PRAYER**

Risen One, You call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen

**INVITATION SONG** O the Joy (on screen)

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

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# **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

The risen Christ is made known to us In the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

**LAMB OF GOD** 

O the Joy

(on screen)

**COMMUNION HYMNS:** 

As We Gather at Your Table A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing ELW 522 ELW 393

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

HYMN AFTER COMMUNION O the Joy

(on screen)

# **BLESSING**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope
bless you now and always. Amen.

**SENDING HYMN** 

**Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ** 

**ELW 674** 

### DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

### **POSTLUDE**



The altar flowers are given by

Cecelia Johnson

in memory of

Richard L. Johnson

my beloved spouse

The communion wine is in honor of Johnalyn Gordon as she completes her PhD program at the University of Kentucky

The eternal light is given to the Glory of God



Our gratitude for Jesus' sacrifice on the cross is followed by our awe of God's astonishing gift of new life in the resurrection.

Rev Dr. Christine Chakoian—pastor @ Westwood Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles,Ca