

St Timothy Announcements January 10

Please note: there will be no Bible studies Tuesday and Wednesday January 12 & 13 as Mary will be finishing classes this week at Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary. All Bible Studies resume next week.

Cross+Trainers Youth Group (5th-12th grades) will meet this Sunday, January 10 and Sunday, January 24 at 5:00 p.m. on Zoom. Cross +Trainers will meet every 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month from 5:00-6:00 p.m. All youth currently in 5th grade through high school are invited to join us. (The link and meeting ID is below) We hope you can all make it!

Confirmation Classes continue to meet every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. Students may meet with us in person or on Zoom. Mentors are meeting weekly with the class on Zoom.

Thank you to everyone who has participated in our St Timothy Prayer Partners! You will be receiving your January names this week. Each month, participants are assigned 3-5 members of our congregation to reach out to by phone, text, email or written note to let them know you are praying for them. Then commit to intentionally pray for those people all month. At the end of each month, you will receive another 3-5 names to reach out to. If you would like to participate, please contact Mary Delasin

Please continue to send your prayer requests and praise reports to the office so we can raise them up in prayer together. You can submit them to Natalie in the office, or through Gaye Fernandes, our prayer chain coordinator.

And just a reminder, To continue your weekly offering you can mail your envelope to the church, use GivePlus, our online giving link which is on the front page of our website or on the Give Plus app which is also available to download for your phone. You can also use bill pay through your own bank or drop your offering off at the church office, please call first before coming to confirm office hours.

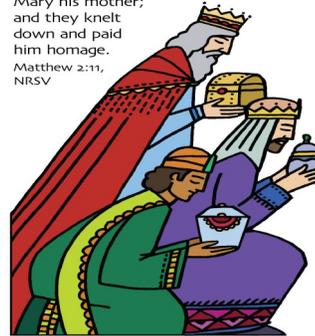
Please note: The Zoom code for all St Timothy Bible Studies and online activities is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/242640241>
Meeting ID: 242 640 241 For more Information please contact Mary Delasin, Director of Discipleship at Discipleship@mylutheran.com

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January 9 & 10, 2021
2 Christmas

On entering the house,
they saw the child with
Mary his mother;
and they knelt
down and paid
him homage.
Matthew 2:11,
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OUR MISSION
A caring church sharing Jesus Christ 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!

PRELUDE

INVOCATION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who was in the beginning,
who makes a dwelling among us,
who covers us with justice and mercy.
Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God of goodness and lovingkindness,
we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors.
We have turned away from your invitation to new life.
We have turned away from the lowly and downtrodden.
In your abundant mercy, forgive us our sins, those we know and those known only to you, for the sake of the one who came to live among us, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.
Hear the good news of peace and salvation!
God forgives us all our sins,
not through our own work,
but through ✝ Jesus Christ, made known to all people.
With all who come to the manger,
rejoice in this amazing gift of grace.
Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

The First Noel

Hymn 300

The first Noel the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; in fields where they lay, keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!
Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the east beyond them far;
and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night. *Refrain*

And by the light of that same star three wise men came from country far;
to seek for a king was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went. *Refrain*

This star drew near to the northwest, o'er Bethlehem it took its rest;
and there it did both stop and stay right over the place where Jesus lay. *Refrain*

Then entered in those wise men three, full rev'rently upon their knee,
and offered there in his presence their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense. *Refrain*

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God in the Highest

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Refrain

Glory to God in the highest, the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we give you thanks, we praise you
for your glory.

Refrain

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

Refrain

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Refrain



Stewardship
a way of life

Mark 1:11

“And a voice came from the heavens, ‘You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.’”

Through our baptism, we too, are daughters and sons of God. We are disciples of Jesus. As true disciples we are called to actively participate in our Lutheran faith, not just be mere bystanders. This means working in collaboration with the Holy Spirit and discerning how we are being asked to use our gifts. Using our gifts for the benefit of others and not just for our own interests and comfort.



**Restore us, O God of hosts; Cause Your face to shine,
and we shall be saved!**

Psalm 80:3

Our Service Men & Women
Terynce and all foster children
The Family of Dorothy Katz
The Family of Jack
The Family of John Vail
The Family of Naomi Miller
The Family of Barbara
Alan Causey
Barbara
Barbara Huth
Cheryl Pedjoe
Everett Henrickson
Fred
Holly
Judy Thomas
Kay and Chris Hindsley
Lynette

Margaret Zipkin
Mr. & Mrs. Darr
Peggy Waggoner
Sam and Paula
Sarah
Tim & Gail Hartge
Tony Pollino

Daily Scripture Readings (Week of January 11-16, 2021)

Mon.	Psalm 69:1-5,30-36 Genesis 17:1-13 Romans 4:1-12	Thurs.	Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 Judges 2:6-15 2 Corinthians 10:1-11
Tues.	Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36 Exodus 30:22-38 Acts 22:2-16	Fri.	Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 Judges 2:16-23 Acts 13:16-25
Wed.	Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36 Isaiah 41:14-20 John 1:29-34	Sat.	Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 1 Samuel 2:21-25 Matthew 25:1-13

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING

Almighty God,
who sent the Holy Spirit to Mary,
proclaimed joy through the angels,
sent the shepherds with good news,
and led the magi by a star,
bless you this day ✠ through the Word made flesh.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN As With Gladness Men of Old

Hymn 302

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;
as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright;
so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led by thee.

As with joyful steps they sped, Savior, to thy lowly bed,
there to bend the knee before thee, whom heav'n and earth adore;
so may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare at thy cradle, rude and bare,
so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'nly king.

Holy Jesus, ev'ry day keep us in the narrow way;
and when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last
where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heav'nly country bright need they no created light;
thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down;
there forever may we sing alleluias to our king.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the gift of Jesus.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 60:1-6

PSALM: Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

- ¹Give the king your jus- | tice, O God,
and your righteousness to | the king's son;
²**that he may rule your | people righteously
and the | poor with justice;**
³that the mountains may bring prosperity | to the people,
and the | hills, in righteousness.
⁴**Let him defend the needy a- | mong the people,
rescue the poor, and crush | the oppressor. R**
⁵May he live as long as the sun and | moon endure,
from one generation | to another.
⁶**Let him come down like rain upon | the mown field,
like showers that wa- | ter the earth.**
⁷In his time may the | righteous flourish;
and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall | be no more.
¹⁰**May the kings of Tarshish and of the | isles pay tribute,
and the kings of Sheba and Seba | offer gifts. R**
¹¹May all kings bow | down before him,
and all the nations | do him service.
¹²**For the king delivers the poor who cry out | in distress,
the oppressed, and those who | have no helper.**
¹³He has compassion on the low- | ly and poor,
and preserves the lives | of the needy.
¹⁴**From oppression and violence he re- | deems their lives,
and precious is their blood | in his sight. R**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:1-12

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.
Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL Matthew 2:1-12

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY We Three Kings Hymn

We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

Refrain

Oh, star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again;
king forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign. *Refrain*

Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a deity nigh;
prayer and praising, gladly raising, worshiping God Most High. *Refrain*

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom;
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb. *Refrain*

SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC

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We believe in one God,

 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father;
 through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

 he came down from heaven,
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
 and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Joining our voices with the song of the angels, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Glorious God, fill your church with joy. Let your faithful people live as beacons of your redemption. Give wisdom and courage to your church that it may speak with boldness and confidence, even when words of mercy are met with scorn. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Show us your faithfulness in the rising and setting of the sun. Place wonder into the hearts of those who search the skies and explore the heavens. Curb waste and pollution, that all might have clean air to breathe. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Bring all nations and rulers to the splendor of your dawn. Raise up advocates who champion the cause of exploited and vulnerable people. Inspire leaders to be generous with abundance, that all people might live in stability and freedom. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Come quickly with your healing power to all who seek love, support, and restoration. Dispel fears and shadows. Restore broken relationships and mend broken hearts. Bring relief to those who are sick or struggling (*especially*).

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Send traveling mercies upon all who journey home by other roads. Guard refugees, immigrants, and asylum seekers (*especially*). Protect families fleeing conflict in their homelands or abuse in their homes. Tend to those who have no place to lay their heads. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

According to the boundless riches of Christ, you draw all your saints, from the least to the greatest, to your heavenly places. As you created all things, make all things new again in the splendor of your glory. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of mercy, come quickly to us with grace upon grace as we lift these and all our prayers to you, in the name of Jesus.

Amen.