

St Timothy Announcements February 27-28

Reminder! Each week Sunday School lessons for children through adult are posted to our St Timothy website. Use the lessons for personal or family devotions during the week. Our Lenten devotionals are available online, or you can stop by pick one up in the office

Cross+Trainers Youth Group (5th-12th grades) will meet this Sunday, February 28 at 5:00 p.m. on Zoom. Cross +Trainers will meet every 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 5:00 p.m. All youth currently in 5th grade through high school are invited to join us.

Our Tuesday afternoon & Wednesday evening Bible Studies continue to meet on Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m and Wednesdays, at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. Our Tuesday study is a discussion based study on the lives of the disciples and the miracles of Jesus. The Wednesday night study is on the weekly lectionary scriptures led by Pastor Curt. Hope you can join us!
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/242640241> Meeting ID: 242 640 241

Our Centering Prayer Group meets on Wednesdays from 1:00-1:45 p.m.. This is a time of praying the scriptures (Lectio Divina), and contemplative prayer, creating space to listen to the “still small voice” of the Spirit. God does the work, our call is to be present. No experience necessary. Come and go as your schedule allows. Centering Prayer 1-1:20 p.m.; Lectio Divina/Reflection 1:20-1:40 p.m. Please Note: This group has a different Zoom meeting log in: For more information contact Mary Delasin. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85880536085?pwd=QUZCanJCVmdsejBhVXM4SXFhcndBdz09>
Meeting ID: 858 8053 6085. Passcode: 411402

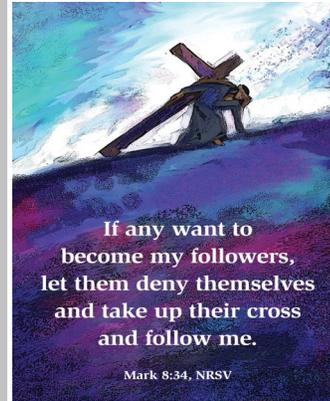
Thank you to everyone participating in our St Timothy Prayer Partners! Each month, participants are assigned 3-5 members of our congregation to reach out to by phone, text, email or written note to let them know you are praying for them. Then commit to intentionally pray for those people all month. If you would like to participate, please contact Mary Delasin

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

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.

For more Information please contact Mary Delasin, Director of Discipleship at Discipleship@mylutheran.com; 727-937-3503 Ext 105

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February 27 & 28, 2020
2nd Service in Lent

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

PRELUDE

INVOCATION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the keeper of the covenant,
the source of steadfast love,
our rock and our redeemer.
Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Fountain of living water,
pour out your mercy over us.
Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free.
Rebuild what we have ruined
and mend what we have torn.
Wash us in your cleansing flood.
Make us alive in the Spirit
to follow in the way of Jesus,
as healers and restorers of the world you so love.
Amen.

KYRIE

Sung

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison, eleison, eleison. Amen

Beloved, God's word never fails.
 The promise rests on grace:
 by the saving love of Jesus Christ,
 the wisdom and power of God,
 your sins are + forgiven, and God remembers them no more.
 Journey in the way of Jesus.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN How Firm a Foundation Hymn 796

**How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
 is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word!
 What more can he say than to you he has said
 who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?**

**"Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed,
 for I am your God and will still give you aid;
 I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
 upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."**

**"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
 my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply.
 The flames shall not hurt you; I only design
 your dross to consume and your gold to refine."**

**"Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove
 my sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;
 and then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn,
 like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne."**

GREETING

The immeasurable grace of Christ Jesus,
 the rich mercy of God,
 and the unity of the Holy Spirit
 be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of
 shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross
 of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake 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.**



Genesis 22:11

'Here I am!' he answered.

Stewardship
a way of life

It is easy to say, "Here I am, Lord," when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say "Here I am, Lord," when a neighbor needs our help, when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it's not convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.



Plead[a] my cause, O Lord, with those who strive with me
 Fight against those who fight against me.2 Take hold of shield and [b]
 buckler, and stand up for help. Psalm 35:1-2

Our Service Men & Women and Frontline workers Terynce and all foster children The Family of Holly The Family of Lorraine Schlueter The Family of Ginny Russo The Family of Deputy Magli The Family of Donna Hulen The Family of Virginia Alan Anne Cubley Barbara Huth Bobby Macauley Cheryl Reth Cliff Thomson Helen Williams Judy Thomas	Kelly Scala Kylie Ishna and family Linda Scott Patricia Slover Shirleen Wait Susan Webb Tom Hill Vicki Biker
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Daily Scripture Readings (Week of February 27 & 28, 2021)			
Mon.	Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45 Genesis 21:1-7 Hebrews 1:8-12	Thurs.	Psalm 19 Ezekiel 19:1-9a 1 Peter 2:4-10
Tues.	Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45 Genesis 22:1-9 Hebrews 11:1-3, 13-19	Fri.	Psalm 19 Exodus 19:9b-15 Acts 7:30-40
Wed.	Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45 Jeremiah 30:12-22 John 12:36-43	Sat.	Psalm 19 Exodus 19:16-25 Mark 9:2-8

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

You are what God made you to be:
created in Christ Jesus for good works,
chosen as holy and beloved,
freed to serve your neighbor.

God bless you + that you may be a blessing,
in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN Faith of Our Fathers

Hymn 812

Faith of our fathers, living still
in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword.
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
whene'er we hear that glorious word.

Refrain

Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
we will be true to thee till death.

The martyrs, chained in prisons dark,
were still in heart and conscience free;
and blest would be their children's fate
if they, like them, should die for thee. Refrain

Faith of our fathers! We will love
both friend and foe in all our strife;
proclaim thee too, as love knows how,
by saving word and faithful life. Refrain

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

FIRST READING: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

PSALM Psalm 22:23-31

²³You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's | line, give glory.

Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off- | spring of Israel.

²⁴**For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither is the LORD's face hid- | den from them;
but when they cry out, | the LORD hears them.**

²⁵From you comes my praise in the | great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the sight of those who | fear the LORD.

²⁶**The poor shall eat | and be satisfied,
Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts | live
forever! R**

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD;
all the families of nations shall bow | before God.

²⁸**For dominion belongs | to the LORD,
who rules o- | ver the nations.**

²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow | down in worship;
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel be- | fore the
LORD.

³⁰**Their descendants shall | serve the LORD,
whom they shall proclaim to genera- | tions to come.**

³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people | yet unborn,
saying to them, "The | LORD has acted!" R

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Sung

We do not live by bread alone,
But by ev'ry word that comes from your mouth,
O Jesus Christ, Son of the living God.

The words of eternal life for today are recorded in the Gospel according to
Mark 8th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Mark 8:31-38

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing Hymn 807

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
fills my heart with joy and love,
teach me ever to adore thee;
may I still thy goodness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer:
"Hither by thy help I've come";
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wand'ring from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be;
let that grace now like a fetter
bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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

THE PRAYERS

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Your gift of grace is for all people. Give confident faith to all the baptized, that they may follow you wholeheartedly. Give new believers joy in your promises; give hope and courage to those who suffer for their faith. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

All the ends of the earth worship you. From galaxies to microorganisms, preserve your creation. Teach humanity to wonder at your works and to join you in tending to creation's well-being. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

You rule over the nations. Raise up advocates for peace and justice within and between nations. Give life where hope seems dead; call into existence new realities we cannot even imagine. (*Here specific places of need may be named.*) Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

In Jesus you joined humanity in suffering and death. Reveal to all the depth of your love shown on the cross. Accompany all who suffer in body, mind, and spirit. Restore all who are sick or grieving. Bring vindication for victims of injustice, exploitation, and oppression (*especially*). Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

You made Abraham and Sarah the ancestors of a multitude of nations. Bless grandparents, parents, and foster parents, and the children who look to them for care and guidance. Console those who deal with infertility, parents who have entrusted their children to adoption, and children longing to be adopted. Equip ministries and services to families. (*The congregation's ministries and community services may be named.*) Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We await the day of Christ's coming in glory. Lead us by the example of all the saints whom you have called to take up their cross and follow you, that together we may find our lives in you. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.