**A Service of Worship, Praise and Hope**

**Welcome to St. Timothy Saturday Evening Worship!**

**18th Weekend after Pentecost**

**October 11th**

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It’s a miracle! Multiple miracles! The waters of holy baptism have healed us. The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean. We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks. From this place we are sent on our way rejoicing to share the good news.

*Please note\*\* if you use a pew envelope for your offering – please write your name on the envelope so that the financial secretaries can post it as a gift from you. Thank You!*

**St Timothy Worship Planning Team**

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***Pre-Service Music:***

**Welcome and Sharing of Congregational News**

***Prelude***

***Gathering Hymn******: There Is a Balm in Gilead ELW 614***

***Refrain***

 There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;

 there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

1 Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain,

 but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. ***Refrain***

2 If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul,

 you can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all." ***Refrain***

3 Don't ever be discouraged, for Jesus is your friend;

 and if you lack for knowledge he'll ne'er refuse to lend. ***Refrain***

Text: African American spiritual

### Confession and Forgiveness

P- In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C – Amen**

Let us confess our sins in front of God and one another.

**C-Merciful God,**

**you free us to love others,**

**but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.**

**You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,**

**but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.**

**You surround us with patience, kindness,**

**and generosity,**

**but we grow weary in doing what is right.**

**In your mercy, forgive us.**

**Do not give up on us.**

**Heal us, break our bonds,**

**and show us the path of life.**

**Amen.**

P -You belong to Christ Jesus

and you are God’s children through faith.

In the cross of ☩ Christ,

and through the power of the Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

**Amen.**

P – Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in St Timothy’s congregation the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**C – Amen.**

**Greeting**

P: The joy of our Lord Jesus Christ, the compassion of God, and the creative power of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

### Prayer of the Day

**Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

### Lesson: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, the word of God is never shackled or confined. Timothy is encouraged to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.

8 Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, 9 for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. 10 Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. 11 The saying is sure:
 If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
 12 if we endure, we will also reign with him;
 if we deny him, he will also deny us;
 13 if we are faithless, he remains faithful—
 he cannot deny himself.

  14 Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. 15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

### A: Word of God!

**C: Words of Life!**

P: The Holy Gospel according to **Luke, Chapter 17**

**C: Glory to you O Lord.**

### Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus’ mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God’s mercy.

11 On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. 12 As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, 13 they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” 14 When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. 15 Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. 16 He prostrated himself at Jesus’s feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. 17 Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? 18 Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?” 19 Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

### P: The Gospel of Our Lord!

**C: Praise to You O Christ!**

***Sermon by*** ***S.A.M. Bob***

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### *****Hymn of the Day:***** *Baptized and Set Free ELW 453*

1 We are people created, chosen by God.

 Then we're washed, ever gently, in mercy and love.

 Sin has power no more. Jesus opened the door

 to a fountain bringing healing, and wholeness and more.

2 We are fed and we're nourished, filled and refreshed.

 Then our hunger returns and again we are blessed.

 For whatever the need, God is greater indeed:

 endless ocean, always deeper than all of our need.

3 We are nourished by water, all living things,

 and by life that the Spirit abundantly brings.

 As we journey toward home, may your presence be known:

 precious river, ever-flowing, now carry us home.

4 Now with praise and thanksgiving, we join the song.

 All are welcome! We gather to sing loud and strong.

 Not enslaved, but set free! From now on, all will be

 one in Jesus, one in water, baptized and set free!

Text: Cathy Skogen-Soldner, b. 1956

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**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.**

**Lord, listen to your children praying,**

**Lord, send your Spirit in this place;**

**Lord, listen to your children praying,**

**send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Lord, we thank You for what you have done for us and what you do for us, as we will always honor and praise your name all the days of our lives.*

Renewed in God’s everlasting grace, let us be mindful of what Our Lord has done for us as we pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

*A brief silence.*

Gracious God, You lead Your people to faith. Remind the church that Your word flows into the world. By Your Spirit, teach the church to share the word of God for the sake of the world.

Heavenly Father

**We thank You**

Lord of all, we pray for peace in troubled regions of the world. By Your spirit guide leaders of all nations and lands towards reconciliation and peace to be in relationship with You. We ask you to protect the innocent as they suffer at the hands of those in control.

Heavenly Father

**We Thank You**

Merciful God, you know the needs of your people. Show mercy to those suffering in the world. Comfort those in need of your healing (*especially*). Mention name aloud

Heavenly Father

**We Thank You.**

Life-giving God, You free us by Your word. Help us, by Your Spirit, to be transformed to live Your word of freedom honestly and uprightly in our teaching, preaching, and serving.

Heavenly Father

**We Thank You**

Lord, we thank You for Your guidance and strength in our lives. We are grateful for the wisdom You provide during challenging times. Help us to trust Your plan in Your time to remain thankful for Your presence in every situation.

Heavenly Father

**We Thank You**

Father in Heaven, we thank You for the abundant blessings in our lives. You have given us more than we ever dreamed possible. Lord enlightened us to be good stewards of your gifts to us. Thank you for the caring people around me who support and love me. May we never take these gifts for granted.

Heavenly Father,

**We Thank You**

Dear Lord, We entrust our departed loved ones to your loving care. Grant their souls eternally rest and peace in Your Heavenly Kingdom. Help us to find comfort in the knowledge that they are safe with You.

Heavenly Father

**We Thank You**

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**All this we pray in thanksgiving for Your Son Jesus Christ**

**P: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.**

**C: And also with you.**

**P: Let us now share this peace.**

**Offering is Brought to the Altar**

**Offering Prayer**

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you; we are an Offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you; we are an offering, we are an offering.**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: 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.**

**Preface**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



**Eucharistic Prayer**

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting, and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

After supper he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin, Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**Christ has died**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Gathered into one, by the Holy Spirit let us listen to the words that Jesus taught us.

**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, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Invitation to Communion**

P: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to His supper. Come and taste on your lips a Love we cannot comprehend.

**C: Amen**

**Please come forward to receive**

***Communion Anthem: Let Us Break Bread Together ELW 471***

P: We are now a tabernacle with Christ inside of us. Let us rejoice and be glad at the Lord’s table.

**C: Amen**

**Prayer After Communion**

**Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**Sending**

**Blessing**

P: Lord, thank you for your abundant love and care for us. Thank you for forgiving our sins, even for the sins we do not realize we commit. Lord, please fill us with your wisdom and your compassion for others. May Almighty God Bless you "The Father, Son and Holy Spirit"

**C: Amen**

***Sending Hymn:******Go, My Children, with My Blessing ELW 543***

1 “Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.

 Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.

 In my love’s baptismal river

 I have made you mine forever.

 Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”

2 “Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.

 Here you heard my dear Son’s story,

 here you touched him, saw his glory.

 Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”

3 “Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.

 Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.

 Here my Spirit’s power filled you,

 here my tender comfort stilled you.

 Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.

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### Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

***Postlude:*** *instrumental*

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**Announcements for October 11th and 12th**

**ATTENDANCE**

 Saturday, October 4th, 4pm 28

 Sunday, October 5th, 9am 50

 Drive-Up Communion 3

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The Altar Flowers are given this week by Dick and Donna Kleinsmith, in honor of Donna’s birthday!

**This Week at St. Timothy's**

Monday, October 13th Bob in Tampa for renewal training, 10:30 – Ruth Circle @ Barb C’s house, 1pm – Garden Club (guest speaker Bill Biendenstein)

Tuesday, October 14th Bob in Tampa for renewal training, 9-12 – Food Pantry

Wednesday, October 15th Bob in Tampa for renewal training

Thursday, October 16th 9:30 am – Prayer Group, 11:00 am – Miniatures, 4:30pm - Choir

Friday, October 17th 1pm – Royal Dalton Memory Care

Saturday, October 18th 4 pm – Worship

Sunday, October 19th 9 am – Worship, 10:15-10:45 –Drive-Up Communion, 10:30 - Adult SS, coffee Fellowship, Council

**USHERS NEEDED – ESPECIALLY FOR 50TH ANNIVERSARY!!!!**

S.A.M. Bob, Chair of Stewardship, is asking for 3-4 more people to be part of the Stewardship Team. Contact Regina or email Bob.





 St. Timothy Lutheran Church will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary on Reformation Sunday, October 26, 2025. There will be no Saturday Service that weekend. Our celebration begins Sunday morning as follows:

 Pre-service Music – 9:45 am

 Service – 10:00 am

 A luncheon will follow the Service.

 Our Florida-Bahamas Bishop as well as other friends and former members have been invited. Please mark this date on your calendar and join our church family for this very special occasion.

 In order to prepare for the luncheon, we are asking all our members to RSVP. There are (two) 2 sign-up sheets on the WELCA bulletin board in the narthex area. Please sign up on both sheets. One sign-up sheet is for attendance, and the other sign-up sheet is for bringing food for the luncheon. Ham, turkey, stuffing, beverages and dessert will be provided. We need vegetables, salads and other side dishes noted on the sheets.

If you have questions regarding the meal, please contact Eileen Hofstetter at 352-419-6610.

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