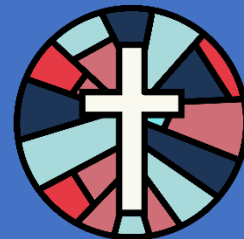


Saint Timothy Lutheran Newsletter

# Word to be Passed



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April & May 2023

## *Pastor's Thoughts on the Passing Times*

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

For this issue of the newsletter, I would like to share a devotion from Dietrich Bonhoeffer's small book, *Psalms*. In this reflection he focuses on "Life" in the Psalter and how we as Christians can use these Psalms for fulfilling lives in our prayers and find joy in the good creation God made.

*"Many earnest Christians are stuck as they pray the Psalms by how often the petition for life and good fortune occurs. From a glance at the cross of Christ there comes to many the unhealthy thought that life and the visible, earthly blessings of God are in themselves at least a questionable good, and in any case a good not to be desired. They take, then, the corresponding prayers of the Psalter to be an incomplete first stage of Old Testament piety, which is overcome in the New Testament. But in doing so they want to be more spiritual than God himself.*

*As the petition for daily bread includes the entire sphere of the necessities of physical life, so the petition for life, health, and visible evidence of the friendliness of God belong necessarily to the prayer which points to the God who is the Creator and sustainer of this life. Bodily life is not disdainful. Precisely for its sake God has given us his fellowship in Jesus Christ, so that we can live by him in this life and the also, of course, in the life to come. For this reason he gives us earthly prayers, so that we can better recognize him, praise him, and love him. God wants the devout to prosper on earth (Psalm 37). And this desire is not set aside by the cross of Christ, but is all the more established by it. Precisely at the point where men must make many sacrifices in following Jesus, as did the disciples, they will answer, "Nothing!" to the question of Jesus, "Did you lack anything?". The presupposition for this is the insight of the Psalms: "Better is the little that the righteous has than the abundance of many wicked."*

*Therefore we need not have a bad consciences when we pray with the Psalter for life, health, peace, and earthly goods if we only recognize as do the Psalms themselves, that all of this is evidence of the gracious fellowship of God with us, and we thereby hold fast to the fact that God's gifts are better than life.*

*Psalm 103 teaches us to understand the entire fullness of the gifts of God, from the preservation of life to the forgiveness of sins, as a great unity and to come before God thanking and praising him for them. The Creator gives us life and sustains it for the sake of Jesus Christ. Thus he wants to make us ready, at last through the loss of all earthly goods in death, to receive eternal life. Only for the sake of Jesus Christ and at his bidding may we pray concerning the goods of life, and for his we ought to do it also with confidence. But if we receive what we need, then we ought not to cease thanking God from the heart that he is so friendly to us for the sake of Jesus Christ." -Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

May your Easter celebrations of Jesus Christ's resurrection be a reminder of God's affirmation for a new and good life under the gracious reign and rule of God. As St. Timothy moves into Easter may our fellowship and joy of new life become evident in service to our neighbor. May your lives under God's will be flourishing with faith, hope and love.

In Christ's love,  
Pastor Berry

# SAINT TIMOTHY NEWS

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## President's Corner

I am a nut for spring – because I love flowers, because I love the sun and warmth, but most of all because I really like Holy Week and Easter. I once had someone ask me if I really believed “all that stuff”? I did not hesitate – I said “I sure do! And here’s why...” Like any one of us, I have had “my times” of doubt. But, the messages of Holy Week and Easter fill me with such joy and an awesome wonder that a little sinful nobody like me can be loved so much by God. I look forward to sharing this Holy Week and Easter time with all of you here at St. Timothy.

These first three months of 2023 have been very busy – but without much forward progress in some areas. However, wow, it is so exciting to see unknown faces worshipping with us! Just a quick written update on the projects in the works for which I am taking the lead:

- Adopt-A-Chaplain – while we have “adopted” one, I have been pretty remiss in communicating with him. It would be nice if someone in the congregation would like to step forward and pick up this connection piece so he knows we do keep him and his ministry to the military in our prayers.
- Live-Streaming our services – this is taking far longer than anticipated. As we approach each next step, a new question always seems to surface that slows the forward movement. Right now, we need to engage someone knowledgeable to make sure that our old sound system will work with live-streaming equipment [doubtful given its age] or recommend the changes and upgrades we need to make.
- Website – the revisions are finished, and the updated website is now live at [Saint Timothy Lutheran Church](http://sainttimothy.lutheran.net) [sainttimothy.lutheran.net]. Many thanks are due to the task force members who worked with consultant Alyson Voges on this project: Pastor Berry, Peggy Haase, & Cari Wieben Kahn.
- Organ – the task force has listened to an Allen organ and is ready to move forward with having the representative come the church to assess the building and the organ system for speaker quantity and placement. Once that is complete later in April, the Organ Task Force will be ready to present recommendations to the Church Council and then to the congregation. The Allen representative did tell us that, once we place the order for the organ, it should take 7 – 9 weeks for it to be ready for our church. Given supply issues these days, I would be pleased with a 4-month turn-around from order to installation.
- Lighting upgrades to the church campus are coming online as problem glitches get identified and resolved.
- A Scholarship Fund proposal was approved by the Church Council. A task force to establish the giving parameters and to select recipient(s) is formed and working on their tasks. This is a great on-going way to share our Christian love with our young high school seniors.

I think that is enough for this quarter. Our Church Council meets every month on the second Tuesday. Any of you are free to ask me to add things to the agenda for discussion or to join the meeting if you wish. You only need to let me know via email [KarenHerrick@msn.com] so that I can send you the Zoom link.

Peace and blessing to you all.

Karen Haase Herrick

## Treasurer's Report

Below is the summary of St. Timothy's financials from 2022 and the dedicated offerings received over the year. Any questions concerning church finance can be addressed to Laura Washabaugh.

<b>St. Timothy Lutheran Church Summary of Fiscal 2022</b>			
<b>Assets</b>	<b>Jan. 1, 2022</b>	<b>Dec. 31, 2022</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Chase Checking	\$ 11,685.83	\$ 49,608.16	\$ 37,922.33
Chase Savings	\$ 2,127.08	\$ 2,127.34	\$ 0.26
LCEF Steward	\$ 82,588.86	\$ 82,875.61	\$ 286.75
LCEF CDs	\$ 295,213.97	\$ 302,093.33	\$ 6,879.36
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 391,615.74</b>	<b>\$ 436,704.44</b>	<b>\$ 45,088.70</b>
<b>Income</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Envelopes	\$ 113,400.00	\$ 119,606.74	\$ 6,206.74
Plate	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 3,233.00	\$ 833.00
Interest Income	\$ 7,180.00	\$ 7,092.54	\$ (87.46)
Miscellaneous Income	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 7,328.00	\$ 6,128.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 124,180.00</b>	<b>\$ 137,260.28</b>	<b>\$ 13,080.28</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Difference</b>
TOTAL	\$ 163,132.69	\$ 142,310.18	\$ (20,822.51)
	<b>Expense</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Difference</b>
<b>BUDGET</b>	\$ 163,132.69	\$ 124,180.00	\$ (38,952.69)
<b>ACTUAL</b>	\$ 142,310.18	\$ 137,260.28	\$ (5,049.90)
Budgeted to spend \$38,952.69 more than income			
Actually only exceeded income by \$5,049.90			
<b>LARGE DEDICATED OFFERINGS - 2022</b>	<b>amount</b>	<b>dedication</b>	<b>Council decision</b>
anonymous April 10, 2022	\$ 10,000.00	general needs	reserved for pending projects
anonymous April 27, 2022	\$ 25,000.00	general needs	scholarship \$10,000 lighting \$15,000
anonymous May 23, 2022	\$ 20,000.00	organ	
anonymous Oct. 2, 2022	\$ 10,000.00	lighting	

### Lutheran Hour Ministries

Lutheran Hour Ministries can be heard on KRKO, Everett, WA, Freq 1380, Sundays at 7:30 AM. Thank you for joining us in this mission.

[www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org)

LaVerne Gemar, LHM  
Ambassador



### The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML)



LWML is an official auxiliary of The LCMS. Since 1942, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions. Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday St. Timothy collects a separate offering to continue supporting the LWML.

# FELLOWSHIP NEWS

## Valentines and Easter at Ladies Coffee



Saint Timothy's Ladies Coffee Time photos are of two recent gatherings. The first one was of the Valentine's Day themed gathering and was attended by a large group of ladies. The second photos are of Friday March 24th. We celebrated an Easter Theme and Barb Eneberg furnished bagels and cream cheese and colored



Easter eggs. Each lady was given a token or Scripture reading in a plastic egg that told the story of Christ's redemption for us. The devotion was given by Barb Kunkel, which was a poem of her own creation, as shown below.

-Patsy Simon



Jan. 31, 2008

Lying, taunting, and mockery was the theme,  
Rejection surrounded and cruelty was extreme.  
His body was battered, his suffering intense,  
The sins of man were his only defense.

The Son of God with the prophesy to fulfill,  
They accused him of blasphemy, the son they would kill.  
He asked for no mercy from the imperfect man,  
How God must love us to go through with his plan.

Jesus left us his legacy, the forgiveness we crave,  
Scripture instructs us on how to be saved.

By Barb Kunkel



## Podcast of Interest

"5 Minutes with a Missionary" is the podcast of LCMS International Mission. It's a window into missionary life. As our missionaries talk about their experiences, savor the uniqueness of the places in which God has called them to serve — while finding common ground with your own role and service. Each episode features an unfiltered take on life abroad for the sake of the Gospel in the time it takes to pick up your drive-thru order or empty the dishwasher. It's fun. It's personal. It's real. And it's always an adventure. <https://www.kfuo.org/category/missionary-podcast/>

-John Bandur



## LADIES COFFEE TIME

Our Ladies Coffee Time meets every 2nd and 4th Friday from September through the end of May, from 10:30am - 12 noon, in St. Timothy's fellowship hall. The April dates are 4/14 and 4/28 and the May dates are 5/12 and 5/26, our last meeting until fall. All ladies are invited to attend as we share our thoughts, hope and inspiration together. We have a signup sheet for ladies to share, if desired, with a devotional and or a pastry to go with our coffee. So, please come and enjoy getting to know other St. Timothy ladies. If you have any questions, please call Barb Eneberg @ 425-743-0880.

## Men's Group

St. Timothy Men's Group meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of each month from 8:30-10:00 AM. We are a casual group that shares highs and lows, begin and end with a prayer, and get to know each other. Sometimes we have a "Show and Tell" if one in our group has a neat hobby or interest they would like to

share. This is not a Bible study, but a time for Christian men to hang out together and grow in our faith together. Newcomers are always welcome.

If you have any questions, please give me a call. Gary Eneberg at (206) 714-8442 or (425) 743-0880.

### **Education at St. Timothy**

\* **Sunday Morning Education Hour:** Studying the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. Two books written by the same author describing Jesus' life and work as it began and extended into the early church. **Sunday, 9:00 AM.**



\* **Wednesday Morning Education Hour:** After Easter and towards the end of April we will turn to the Old Testament in Bible Class to reflect on the book of Jonah, the same one swallowed up by the giant fish. Jonah, a minor prophet, with a supernatural story. Please consider attending and learning how Jonah points us to Christ and the way God insists to use unlikely servants. Beginning **Wednesday, April 26 at 9:30 AM.**

**Bible Study**

\***Confirmation:** Our confirmand continues to study the Catechism and learn the Christian teachings. Confirmation is a wonderful practice of the Lutheran church to help our children mature in the faith and prepare them for Christian adulthood. Confirmation is all about confirming the faith that these children were baptized and raised in. Through this process they take on the responsibilities of the faith as they become adults and go out into the world. Class time meets **1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 6PM.**

\***Tuesday Zoom Education Hour:** Pastor Frank Paine offers a weekly Bible Class in which he is going over various topics of the Bible on Tuesday evenings. If anyone is interested in attending via zoom please reach out and email Pastor Paine at [fwpainejr@ieee.org](mailto:fwpainejr@ieee.org). He will send you an invitation to join the zoom class. This a great opportunity for many who are unable to travel for class, but have a chance to still dig deeper in the study of the Scripture. **Tuesday, 7PM via Zoom.**

### **June & July 2023 NEWSLETTER**

Articles and Calendar information need to be submitted by **Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**. Please Email OR hand to Pastor Berry. Email to:  
[pastor@stlc-edmonds.com](mailto:pastor@stlc-edmonds.com) or [stlc\\_office@frontier.com](mailto:stlc_office@frontier.com).

**Saint Timothy Prayer Team**

Prayer Team takes prayer requests to provide prayer support for members of the congregation, friends and our community. Together, the team prays through the prayers requested at Saint Timothy. Contact confidentially Patsy Simon or any member of the team if you would like to offer up a petition. No need is too small or answered prayer too little to neglect to mention it to our Heavenly Father.

-Patsy Simon, (425)770-3354

*"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."* -Romans 12:12




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**Please Remember in Your Prayers:**

**Our homebound members:**

Sylvia Robinson; Gertrud Schulz; Mary Stewart, Thirza Weber, Edna Watters

**Folks with Health Concerns:**

Wayne Cluver; Joyce Hammond; Sylvia Robinson;  
Thirza Weber; Gerold Herrick; Grace Hundtoft; Lois Mueller; Carol Hauge

**Family members & friends:**

Debbie (Pr. Flath's sister), Bella and Ave (Bill & Carol Hauge's granddaughters),  
Esther (Grace Hundtoft's sister), Samantha (Laura Washabaugh's niece), Gisela (John Bandur's  
mother), Ellie (Gemar's daughter's niece), Roger (Grace Hundtoft's son), Elizabeth (LaVerne Gemar's  
niece).

**Birthdays in April & May:**

John Bandur – April 5	Adel Gonzalez – May 7
Jim Weber – April 5	Patsy Simon – May 11
Jeanne Allen – April 16	Wayne Cluver – May 13
Chris Kahn – April 23	Paige Allen – May 20
Cari Wieben Kahn – April 25	Sylvia Robinson – May 24
Carol Hauge – April 26	

**Wedding Anniversaries in April & May:**

Karl & Patsy Simon – 31 years on April 25  
Bill & Carol Hauge – 57 years on May 10  
Jess & Laura Washabaugh – 37 years on May 24

**Baptism Anniversaries in April & May:**

Bill Hauge – April 6  
Sylvia Robinson – April 7  
Paul Lutgen - April 10  
Monica Lutgen – April 24  
LaVerne Gemar – April 25  
Lenn Gorsuch – April 28  
Diane Herrick – May 3  
Richard Eaton – May 4  
Debbie Zaske – May 8  
Joyce Hammond – May 9  
Gerold Herrick – May 25

**APRIL 2023**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Key for building locations</b>                      FH – Fellowship Hall                      PCR – P.S. Conference Room                      YR – Youth Room                      NR - Nursery                      CH – Church</p>						1
<b>Palm Sunday</b> 2  9AM Education Hour-FH 10AM Worship Service-CH	3  4:45-8:00PM Hula Lesson - FH	4  4:15-5:45PM Girl Scouts – PCR 4:45-8:00PM Hula Lesson - FH 6:30PM Elders' Meeting – PCR	5	6  7PM Maundy Thursday Service-CH	 7  7PM Good Friday Service: Order of Tenebrae-CH	8  8:30-10AM Men's Group – FH
<b>Resurrection of Our Lord</b> 9  9AM Easter Setup/Decorating 10AM Easter Day Worship Service	10	11  4:15-5:45PM Girl Scouts – PCR 7:00PM Council Meeting – PCR/Zoom	12	13  5:45-8:00PM AA Meeting – PCR	14  10:30AM-12PM Ladies Coffee Time - FH	15
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> 16  9AM Education Hour-FH 10AM Worship Service-CH	17	18  4:15-5:45PM Girl Scouts – PCR	19	20  5:45-8:00PM AA Meeting – PCR	21	22  8:30-10AM Men's Group – FH
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> 23  9AM Education Hour-FH 10AM Worship Service-CH	24	<b>St. Mark, Evangelist</b> 25  4:15-5:45PM Girl Scouts – PCR	26  9:30AM Education Hour - FH  6PM Confirmation Class - YR	27  5:45-8:00PM AA Meeting - PCR 4:45-8:00PM Hula Lesson - FH	28  10:30AM-12PM Ladies Coffee Time - FH  4:45-8:00PM Hula Lesson – FH	29
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> 30  9AM Education Hour-FH 10AM Worship Service-CH						

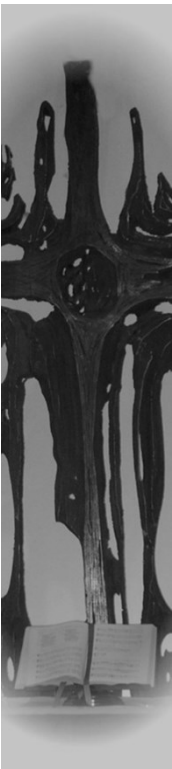
MAY 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> St. Phillip & St. James, Apostles	<b>2</b> 4:15-5:45PM Girl Scouts – PCR <b>6:30PM Elders' Meeting –</b> PCR	<b>3</b> 9:30AM Education Hour - FH  6PM Confirmation Class – YR	<b>4</b> 5:45-8:00PM AA Meeting - PCR 4:45-8:00PM Hula Lesson - FH	<b>5</b> 4:45-8:00PM Hula Lesson – FH	<b>6</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter <b>7</b> 9AM Education Hour-FH 10AM Worship Service-CH	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 4:15-5:45PM Girl Scouts – PCR <b>7:00PM Council Meeting –</b> PCR/Zoom	<b>10</b> 9:30AM Education Hour – FH	<b>11</b> 5:45-8:00PM AA Meeting - PCR 4:45-8:00PM Hula Lesson – FH	<b>12</b> 10:30AM-12PM Ladies Coffee Time - FH 4:45-8:00PM Hula Lesson – FH	<b>13</b> 8:30-10AM Men's Group – FH
6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter <b>14</b> Mother's Day 9AM Education Hour-FH 9AM Sunday School Day-YR 10AM Worship Service-CH	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 4:15-5:45PM Girl Scouts – PCR	<b>17</b> 9:30AM Education Hour - FH  6PM Confirmation Class - YR	<b>18</b> Ascension Day  5:45-8:00PM AA Meeting - PCR 4:45-8:00PM Hula Lesson – FH	<b>19</b> 4:45-8:00PM Hula Lesson – FH	<b>20</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter <b>21</b> 9AM Education Hour-FH 10AM Ascension Day Service- CH	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 4:15-5:45PM Girl Scouts – PCR	<b>24</b> 9:30AM Education Hour – FH	<b>25</b> 5:45-8:00PM AA Meeting - PCR	<b>26</b> 10:30AM-12PM Ladies Coffee Time - FH	<b>27</b> 8:30-10AM Men's Group – FH
The Day of Pentecost <b>28</b> 9AM Education Hour-FH 10AM Pentecost Service-CH 	Memorial Day <b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 4:15-5:45PM Girl Scouts – PCR	<b>31</b> The Visitation between Mary & Elizabeth			







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## SUNDAY

**9:00 a.m. Education Hour**  
**10:00 a.m. Worship Service**



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