

**ST. TIMOTHY LUTHERAN CHURCH
CHURCH MOUSE
NOVEMBER 2023**



Sunday, November 5, 2023

All Saints Sunday

Worship in Church or Drive In With Communion 10:00 am

Pastor Ivy Gauvin

Sunday, November 12, 2023

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship in Church or Drive In 10:00 am

Pastor Ivy Gauvin

Sunday, November 19, 2023

25th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship in Church or Drive In With Communion 10:00 am

Pastor Ivy Gauvin

Sunday, November 26, 2023

Christ the King Sunday

Worship in Church or Drive In 10:00 am

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***Join us for indoor worship or in the church parking lot for
the Drive In service***

PASTOR'S PONDERING- By Pastor Ivy

November is a very exciting month. It's important to remember that even though we get less daylight each day, there are other things that make up for it, like All Saints' Day on November 1. We remember those who have gone before us and those saints who walk beside us each day.

Of course, we celebrate Thanksgiving with family and friends. This year, my son, who lives in Dallas, will be flying up. We will all gather at my daughter's house. The last time we were together was Christmas 2021. I'm sure you all have similar plans for that time.

In November, we will finish out the John 3:17 tells us "If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him?". We have a calling to help those who need help most.

The greatest example of Jesus' love is his giving of his life on the cross for our sake, to make us God's own children. Life in Christ is not all fun and games.

Not all families get along well together. Some people are very sick, either physically or mentally. People in other parts of the world are surrounded by war, hunger and disease. Let us keep them in prayer, especially. Christ the King is with them, desiring to comfort and help them.

Gracious and holy God, lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen. (Evangelical Lutheran Worship)

St. Timothy Church Council

President– Kristie Bloomquist

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Linda Milks Pastor Ivy Gauvin



Treasurer – Julie Bihler

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Do you have questions or ideas for Council? Feel free to share them with any council member or write them down and leave in the office.

OCTOBER 2023 - COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- 5 & 2 Packing is well underway. Now packing over 800 bags each month. Please let us know if you want to help. Donations of food or money are always appreciated.
- In November – we will again help out the BPMC Food Pantry as they collect and purchase food for the Thanksgiving meals they give out.
- Evangelism Committee could really use some new members. They especially need help with the Card Ministry. See Marty, or any Council member, if you are interested.
- Council continues to keep an eye on all finances. The budgeting process for 2024 will start on November 8th.

5 Loaves & 2 Fish Backpack Ministry

We continuously collect food items for the 5 & 2 Ministry. Bring your donations and place in the black bin in church narthex. Lists detailing items needed are also available in the narthex. Monetary donations welcome! Contact Gale-Svenson-Campbell for details
gales1949@gmail.com

NEEDED – MAC AND CHEESE

We are currently having difficulty purchasing enough macaroni and cheese for over 800 bags. If you see any boxes of Mac and Cheese and would like to donate to 5 & 2, WE WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE IT.



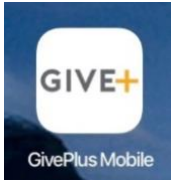
Prayer Requests: Dianne Sloan, Kay Marker Magneson, Roy Pihl, George Balcom, Thom Shagla, Nancy Purcell, James Dieter, Bob Lindberg, Lianne Edborg, Karen Brown, Marty Wittstrom, Sarah VanStaaldin, Charlene Hunter, Joe Gauvin, Emerson Allaby, John Gingrass, those serving in the military and law enforcement and their families, including Christine Kaffka, Sean Pecuch, and Ben Wickerham, those caught up in violence and war who have no safe home in which to live.

ONLINE GIVING at St. Timothy for Debit/Credit cards

Three ways to give:

- Go directly to our website at www.sttimothybemus.com.
- Use our QR code with the QR reader on your smartphone.
- Download the app 'GivePlus Church'. Create an account.

For further information, see Kathy Carlson on Sundays or call her at 485-1316.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

4 Sandy Carlson

9 Desmond Drischell

7 Jenna Jablonski

9 Linda Milks

8 Marty Hunt

11 Reese Anderson

DOG TRAINING

Students that pass their CGC eval next Monday will have the option of moving on to:

Therapy Dog (which I'd like to conduct on Mondays):

11/13, 11/20, & 11/27 * Evaluator helpers welcome - I appreciate if they email me in advance as I like to prepare a "Hospitality Suite" as a thank you for assisting.

If interested, contact Carly at 716-268-1421.

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Jesus Revolution Film and Discussion Continues.....

November 5, 12–Dinner included, 5 pm

“Jesus Revolution” is one person’s view of events occurring in CA which led to the Jesus Movement, Jesus People or Jesus Freaks in the 1960s and 1970s. There are some challenging and exciting ideas in this film. We may disagree with others. Come, join us at the parsonage to watch the movie and discuss it.

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Welcome November and fast approaching December, and our holiday seasons. It’s that time of year that I ask for your help in supporting the Food Pantry which we support with the Bemus Point Methodist Church. We are asking for monetary donations, either cash or a check made out to the Bemus Point Methodist Church, with “Food Pantry” in the memo. Each year you have shown your support and we know we supply bags of food to residents in our community that need assistance. I thank you in advance. Please see me or another usher to give your contribution to. **I will need these donations by November 12th**, so BPMC has plenty of time to shop for supplies. Again, thank you for your support and God Bless Each of You and Your Family! This is one way we show God’s Love and spread it around. Love to All of You!! Marty Hunt

MONTHLY READINGS

November 5, All Saints Sunday

Readings and Psalm



[Micah 3:5-12](#)

Judgment upon corrupt rulers

[Psalm 43](#)

Send out your light and truth, that they may

lead me. (Ps. 43:3)

[1 Thessalonians 2:9-13](#)

The apostle’s teaching accepted as God’s word

[Matthew 23:1-12](#)

All who humble themselves will be exalted



November 12, 24th Sunday after Pentecost

Readings and Psalm

[Amos 5:18-24](#)

Let justice roll down like waters

[Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16](#) (alternate)

Wisdom Wisdom makes herself known

[Psalm 70](#)

You are my helper and my deliverer; O LORD, do not tarry. (Ps. 70:5)

[Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20](#) (alternate)

The beginning of wisdom is the most sincere desire for instruction. (Ws. 6:17)

[1 Thessalonians 4:13-18](#)

The promise of the resurrection

[Matthew 25:1-13](#)

The story of the wise and foolish bridesmaids

November 19, 25th Sunday after Pentecost

Reading and Psalm

[Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18](#)

The day of the LORD

[Psalm 90:1-8 \[9-11\] 12](#)

So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom. (Ps. 90:12)

[1 Thessalonians 5:1-11](#)

Be alert for the day of the Lord

[Matthew 25:14-30](#)

The story of the slaves entrusted with talents

God will shepherd Israel

November 26, Christ the King Sunday

Readings and Psalm

[Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24](#)

God will shepherd Israel

[Psalm 95:1-7a](#)

We are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand. (Ps. 95:7)

[Ephesians 1:15-23](#)

The reign of Christ

[Matthew 25:31-46](#)

The coming of the Son of Man; the separation of sheep and goats

The Ashville Hewes Center has a new project brewing - a **Food/Clothing/Hygiene Closet!** Whether it be a basic need for these items, an upcoming job interview, an upcoming school or personal event, a dress code concern, or a need for appropriate work attire for our vocational programs - we will have these resources on hand for all our students on the Hewes Campus to have their basic needs met. The students will create and vote on a name for the closet and make it their own! It will also be run by the students as they learn basic work skills. Alissa Rinaldo is our contact person here at St. Timothy, as well as the representative for the Hewes Center for 5 & 2 Ministry and Packing.

Below is a list of items they are requesting. For clothing, please keep in mind that these are middle/high school students ages 14-18 and what they would wear. Any donations can be brought to church and placed in our bin or hung on the Fellowship Hall coat rack. Alissa will pick them up when she comes to pack for the month. THANK YOU.

- Mens & Womens Clothing- casual, business & workwear
- t-shirts
- sweatshirts
- sweatpants
- leggings
- winter necessities- coats (casual & business), hats, gloves
- jeans - work jeans
- shoes & boots - casual & work footwear
- scrubs
- work outerwear - flannels, work coats, work gloves
- business apparel for job interviews or formal school & personal events
- womens and mens undergarments
- deodorant
- toothbrushes & toothpaste
- shampoo & conditioner
- body wash and soap
- hair brushes & combs & hair products
- lotion
- laundry detergent - preferably pods or smaller bottles to be sent home
- laundry stain remover
- feminine hygiene products
- reusable shopping bags
- backpacks
- travel bags (bags are for students to bring items home, discreetly)
- cosmetic bags
- clothing hangers



**MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH THE
HONDURAS AUCTION AND ALSO TO THOSE WHO
ATTENDED AND GAVE THOSE GENEROUS BIDS!!**

a FEW REMINDERS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH 2 AM



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH



NOVEMBER 2023
WORSHIP AND SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES
AT ST. TIMOTHY LUTHERAN CHURCH

	NOVEMBER 5	NOVEMBER 12	NOVEMBER 19	NOVEMBER 26	
Assistant Liturgist	Trish Pecuch	Tammy Haas	Sarah Goebel	Tammy Haas	
Ushers/Greeters	Ginny Sloan Linda Milks	Marty Hunt Linda Milks	Ginnie Sloan Marty Hunt	Linda Milks Ginnie Sloan	

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ST. TIMOTHY LUTHERAN CHURCH NOVEMBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<div>1</div> <div>NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH</div>	2	3	4 Sandra Carlson
<div>5</div> <div>10:00 am Worship w/Communion All Saints Sunday 5pm Jesus Rev. film</div> <div>FALL BACK</div>	<div>6</div> <div>Healthy Bones 9am Bemus Point Friends of the Library 6pm</div>	<div>7</div> <div>VOTE</div> <div>Jenna Jablonski</div>	<div>8</div> <div>Healthy Bones 9am</div> <div>Martha Hunt</div>	<div>9</div> <div>Tai Chi 9:30 am 12:00 pm Choir 5pm Linda Milks Desmond Drischell</div>	10	11 <div>Thank You Veterans</div> <div>Reese Anderson</div>
<div>12</div> <div>10:00 am Worship Worship & Music Mtg 5pm Jesus Rev. film</div>	<div>13</div> <div>Healthy Bones 9am Therapy Dog Training 6:30 pm</div>	14	<div>15</div> <div>Healthy Bones 9am Zonta 4-9pm</div>	16 Choir 5pm	17	18
<div>19</div> <div>10:00 am Worship w/Communion Church Council</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Healthy Bones 9am Therapy Dog Training 6:30 pm</div>	<div>21</div> <div>5 & 2 Packing 7pm</div>	<div>22</div> <div>Healthy Bones 9am</div>	<div>23</div> <div>Happy Thanksgiving!</div>	24	25
<div>26</div> <div>10:00 am Worship Christ the King Sunday</div>	<div>27</div> <div>Healthy Bones 9am Dog Training Evaluations</div>	<div>28</div> <div>Marge Fiore</div>	<div>29</div> <div>Healthy Bones 9am</div>	<div>30</div> <div>Choir 5pm</div>		

26 Pray that our concern, empathy and service for the well-being of our neighbors in need will be bold and boundless, especially when we are pressured to serve only select groups.

27 Remember in prayer pastors and their families, and pray that we will demonstrate our concern for their well-being and renewal through ongoing encouragement, support, affirmation and guidance.

28 Pray that our daily lives will reflect joy and thanksgiving to God, our maker and the rock of our salvation.

29 The suffering and devastation mount with every day the Russia-Ukraine War continues. Pray for an end to the war, and that our allies will remain steadfast in valuing and pursuing peace, justice and recovery for Ukraine.

30 *Andrew, the Apostle* Andrew, a humble fisherman, was the first person to respond to Jesus' invitation to set everything aside and follow him. Pray that we too will answer the call to learn, to serve and to spread the gospel with our unique gifts.

These petitions are offered as guides to prayer for the global, social and outreach ministries of the ELCA, as well as for the needs and circumstances of our neighbors, communities and world. Thank you for your continued prayers for the life and mission of this church.

1 *American Indian Heritage Month* Give thanks for our Indigenous neighbors and siblings in Christ, whose diverse gifts, traditions and wisdom help shape and enrich society and the church. Pray for Indigenous ministries and faith communities in the ELCA and the work of ELCA Indigenous Ministries and Tribal Relations, and ask God to guide and further the work of our church and society to build better, right and just relationships with Indigenous peoples.

2 Pray for our neighbors who have experienced great losses and turmoil as a result of the earthquake in Morocco and the unprecedented flooding in Libya, that they will find hope, comfort, relief, resources and assistance for the difficult recoveries ahead.

3 "I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people" (Jeremiah 31:33). The new covenant that God made with us long ago permeates every aspect of our life and can't be broken or voided, because its foundation is God's enduring grace. Give praise and thanks to God!

4 Remember in prayer those who have been impacted by recent tropical storms and hurricanes, that they might find relief, assistance and hope in the support provided by neighbors, faith communities, synods and relief agencies, including Lutheran Disaster Response. Ask God to strengthen our resilience and wisdom to meet the mounting challenges of natural disasters and climate change.

5 Pray that we will take to heart and respond to the same instructions Jesus gave to his disciples: to care for our neighbors who suffer poverty, hunger and illness and to bless those who commit their lives to caring for others, pursuing justice and making peace.

6 Pray for outdoor ministry professionals, staff and board members as they gather for the Lutheran Outdoor Ministry conference in Lake Geneva, Wis. Ask God to bless their time together for worship, renewal, networking and enhancing their skills.

7 Election Day Ask the Spirit to help us exercise concern for our neighbor, the well-being of communities, and racial, gender and economic justice as we discern whom to elect as our leaders and public servants. Give thanks for ELCAvotes, an initiative to help us citizens and people of faith understand our role in promoting dignity and respect for all.

8 Remember in prayer foster families and programs that provide transitional and long-term homes and care for infants, children and youth. Ask the Spirit to inspire people to consider becoming foster parents, and give thanks for foster care services provided by member organizations of Lutheran Services in America.

9 Pray for the leaders of our church as they gather for the ELCA Church Council, that the Spirit will guide their deliberations and decisions to further our mission of spreading the good news of Jesus Christ, serving our neighbors and growing the church.

10 Give thanks and praise to God, creator of diverse, abundant creatures in the seas and oceans that feed the hungry, inspire awe, reveal secrets that lead to medical discoveries and keep aquatic ecosystems healthy and thriving.

11 Veterans Day Remember and give thanks for those who have served our country in times of peace and conflict – here and around the world. Pray that they will never be forgotten or taken for granted.

12 We all want to know what the kingdom of heaven is like and when Jesus will come again. Express your trust that Jesus Christ has made a place for us in the kingdom of God, and pray that the Spirit will focus us on doing God's work in the world now, as we look forward with gratitude to life eternal.

13 Give thanks for ELCA Campus Ministry and the Lutheran Campus Ministry Network (LuMin), which bear witness to God's grace through worship, study, fellowship and service with students, faculty, staff and others at 230 college and university campuses across the country.

14 Pray for youth and family ministry leaders in our congregations, and promise to express appreciation, support and encouragement for their work of faith formation and caring for young people and their parents.

15 Give thanks to God for the comfort of knowing that we, and those who have gone before us, will one day be gathered together in the kingdom of God – forever.

16 "O God, to you I cry in pain when sickness makes me weak, when mind and body out of tune bring fears I cannot speak" (ACS 1021). We are never alone in times of distress. Praise God for being attentive to us through

caring neighbors and siblings in Christ, especially when we find it difficult to express our infirmities and suffering.

17 Pray for the 800-plus rostered ministers who have responded to God's call to provide specialized pastoral care in ministries across the ELCA and in our communities, including hospice, counseling, corrections, long-term care, and police and fire chaplaincy.

18 Thank God for the ELCA's special relationship with The Episcopal Church, a full communion partner since 1999. Pray for the church, its members and its leaders, that together we will find strength and resources for the work of sharing the gospel and serving our neighbor.

19 Thank God for the example of Jesus Christ, who guides our understanding of generosity, for the sake of the world and our neighbors at the margins of society.

20 Pray for the success of Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service's Preferred Refugee Employer Program, which helps employers offer support and services of particular benefit to the refugees in their communities.

21 Pray for youth, parents, youth leaders and congregations registering for the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering. Ask the Spirit to stir their enthusiasm, guide their preparation for their experience in New Orleans, and help those who are discerning whether to participate.

22 Pray that our acts of generosity will come from a place of gratefulness to God and concern for our neighbor and will "produce thanksgiving to God through us" (2 Corinthians 9:11).

23 Thanksgiving Day "We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering" (ELW 692). Pray that we will see every aspect of our life as an offering for the sake of our neighbor and the well-being of the world – an expression of thanksgiving for the blessings and resources that God has generously given to us.

24 Native American Heritage Day Praise God for the rich and diverse legacies of Native American neighbors and siblings in Christ. Give thanks for the continuing influence of Indigenous cultures, traditions, spirituality, arts and concepts of community.

25 Remember in prayer neighbors and siblings in Christ who are without safety, shelter, food or basic social services. Promise to be tireless, creative and respectful in providing immediate and long-term care for those who are homeless, and in boldly advocating for just laws that yield appropriate and truly affordable housing.