

# April 2021

# TIPS

A Newsletter From  
Saint Timothy Evangelical Lutheran Church

*Come and Worship!*



Sunday Worship 10am

Saturday Worship 6pm

395 Valley Road, Wayne, New Jersey 07470

[sttimothynj.org](http://sttimothynj.org)

395 Valley Road, Wayne, NJ 07470

Pastor

Director of Music

Office Manager

Church Office Email

Phone: (973) 694-8316

Kimberly Cooper

Caroline Parody

Laurie Crowley

[st.tims395@yahoo.com](mailto:st.tims395@yahoo.com)

## Church Council

Dr. Lori Bleeker	.....	(201) 485-7384
Edward Cleaver	.....	(201) 337-5411
Ken DeAngelis	.....	(201) 289-0641
Cindy Gaffney	.....	(973) 694-1595
Fallon Goskowski	.....	(862) 485-2651
Pat Kaplan	.....	(973) 341-7920
James Koppenal	.....	(973) 406-7405
Karen Sajban	.....	(973) 229-4624
Eddy Schloesser	.....	(973) 402-1464
Lori VanDerStad	.....	(862) 203-9549
Rich Wantula	.....	(973) 809-1257
Barbara Westerberg	.....	(973) 696-1471



In my first year of seminary, I took a class entitled “Introduction to Worship” taught by Rev. Dr. Joy Schroeder. In our final exam, we were given a calendar on which we had to

figure out the date on which Easter will begin for a given year. It is the first Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox. It can fall anywhere from March 22 to April 25. Each year since then, I’ve looked up the date on google, because, in all honesty, I’d have to look up the spring equinox and the first full moon anyway.

Easter then extends for 50 days – 7 Sundays. It is common for us to really hype up the first Sunday, because we have just had 40 days of Lent ending with Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. These are deeply moving days in which we reflect on the betrayal, torture, injustice, and execution of Jesus. It makes sense that the first Sunday meant to focus on the resurrection would be a sharp contrast of joy and celebration.

This year, more than most, lent has been hard. It comes at the end (and beyond) of a year of sorrow and isolation. It is unfortunate that we aren’t going to gather in-person for the first Sunday of Easter. Personally, I am sad about this, because it will be my first time preaching for Easter 1. It will also be my first time presiding over communion. My joy and excitement over these things will be tempered by the lack of a visible of a crowd of participants.

On the other hand, we (USA Christians) have gotten into some bad habits where Easter is concerned. We focus our joy and celebration on that first Sunday. Then the second Sunday of Easter is often the lowest attended service of the entire year. There are a lot of protestant churches that only recognize one Sunday as Easter, then go back to normal services in the very next week. In the Lutheran tradition, we do acknowledge that the resurrection is much too big to relegate to one Sunday. But, all too often, that is only acknowledged on the church calendar and with altar linens.

*continued...*

This year, I see an opportunity to honor the resurrection more thoroughly. As sad as I am to not have you all present for the Easter 1 service, I am excited to see what we can do beyond our usual traditions. Martin Luther said, "Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime." The spring plants will be turning green and flowers will start to bloom during this Easter season. Take time to recognize that God reveals resurrection to us in many more ways than those found in the church sanctuary.

We also have an opportunity to begin gathering again in the church during the seven weeks of Easter. I see a parallel between resuming and resurrection. This month will see the resumption of Heart N Hands volunteering, yoga, and other activities that include people that have been fully vaccinated. As more people get vaccinated and the infection rate goes down, more people will be able to gather. The church will be resurrecting during the Easter season! That is so very appropriate.

See you soon!

Pastor Kimberly



### Pastor Kimberly's Office Hours

Monday – Thursday • 9 am – 12 Noon

Pastor Kimberly is also available by appointment, afternoons and evenings

---

### Laurie's Office Hours

The church office hours remain the same

Monday – Friday • 9 am – 12 Noon





## What is happening for Holy Week and Easter this year?

Many people are asking me this. Unfortunately, it isn't going to be "back to normal." It isn't because the new pastor wants to change things. One major factor is that we are continuing with streaming worship

until after Easter. It isn't possible to follow all the usual traditions in that setting. Another factor is that I, the new pastor, don't know all the traditions yet. All those who serve in worship are doing their best to educate me as quickly as possible, but there is a reason that the ELCA usually has pastors begin new ministry sites in the summer: it can take time to learn the context. Me trying to do that just as lent is beginning is very hard on those who are responsible for music, altar guild, and all the other pieces. I am beyond grateful to Laurie Crowley, Valerie McGrath, Caroline Parody, and many others for the time spent showing me around and teaching me about St. Timothy.

We are also going to work to increase participation in worship in the sanctuary. I know, from speaking to many of you, that you miss seeing people. That is something we can work on right away. If you feel safe being in the sanctuary with a few other people (10 max), then we would love your help with reading during the service. You can email me ([pastorkimberly@optimum.net](mailto:pastorkimberly@optimum.net)) or call the church to let me know you are interested.

I am sad that again this year, Holy Week and Easter will be brought to you on Facebook. But, we will keep this time focused on Jesus Christ. We will remember the cross and the joy of the resurrection. That will be the same as every year. I request your grace, for me as I learn, for the worship committee as they scramble to do all the things, and for the church leaders that are making the best decisions they can in a challenging time. I trust in the power of the Holy Spirit to hold us together until we can gather again. In the meantime, please feel free to call or email me to tell me about the traditions you are missing. I am so eager to get to know you!

In the love of Christ, Kimberly



## Wayne Interfaith Network

Currently WIN is serving 160 clients and their families. Approximately 70 children are served each month. ***The pantry is now open to accept donations by appointment only.*** Please call 973-595-1900 for information.

***Monetary donations are still the best way to donate at this time.*** They are greatly appreciated and may be made "in memory of" or "in honor of". Mail to Wayne Interfaith Network, PO Box 3341, Wayne, NJ 07474-3341.

Thank you for your generosity.

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

---



Dear St Timothy's,

Thank you so much for the generous donation from the Endowment fund. \$500 thousand dollars will cover all of the gift cards we provide for a month. A wonderful donation.

Your generosity and caring for the Wayne Community is ever constant and this is just another example.

Thank you again

Barbara Cohen,  
President WIN






---

4/2 Frances Ochart	4/22 Ray Lender
4/4 Tyler Zimmerman	4/24 Anne Marie Lambert
4/5 Cathe Davidson	4/26 Erna Schneider
4/9 Donna Purcel	4/26 Mary Laverack
4/10 Mary Ann Levine	4/28 Ed Cleaver
4/14 Eric Knittel	4/28 Mary Schloesser
4/15 Hulda Ritz	4/30 George Labadie

---




---

4/29 Amy & David Taranto

---

*Should you be on this list, and you're not??*  
*Please email Laurie at [st.tims395@yahoo.com](mailto:st.tims395@yahoo.com)*  
*or call the office at 973-694-8316*



## MEMORIALS

Since February 15, 2021, gifts have been given to the General Memorial Fund in honor of the Ordination of The Rev. Kimberly S. Cooper on March 21. We are blessed that she has been called and installed as Pastor of St. Timothy Lutheran Church!

During this month, Memorial Funds were used to purchase 4 cases of Eternal Light candles.



No Memorial Garden pavers were purchased this month, so our paver total stands at 115. The price of a paver is \$300.00. Checks may be made to St. Timothy Memorial Fund, with the words “Memorial Garden” on the memo line. Pavers may be engraved with the names of deceased loved ones or left blank for future engraving. Paver application sheets are available in the narthex. See Pat Winters for further information or assistance. The Memorial Garden is self-supporting; gifts are welcome at all times!

We also welcome contributions to the fund for restoration and enhancement of our Church organ. This work is ongoing. Checks may be made to St. Timothy Memorial Fund, with the words “Organ Repair” on the memo line.



We are grateful to all who have given to the St. Timothy Memorial Funds – the General Memorial Fund, the Music Fund, the George Laubscher Monday Morning Fund, the Memorial Garden Fund, the Eternal Light Candle Fund, and the Flanders/Schleer Scholarship Loan Funds – and for the faithful repayments to the loan funds. We welcome additional contributions as we assist families with the high price of college.

# How Your Endowment Gift Helps



Below is the list of Endowment Fund Recipients for the 2019 & 2020 distribution years sent out in February 2021. Thank you to the congregation for their input.

<b>Total Payable</b>	<b>36,138.00</b>
<b>LOCAL:</b>	
<b>Hearts N Hands Mission</b>	<b>6,023.00</b>
<b>Wayne Interfaith Network (WIN)</b>	<b>6,023.00</b>
<b>NATIONAL:</b>	
<b>FeedingAmerica.org</b>	<b>4,015.34</b>
<b>Lutheran Disaster Response</b>	<b>4,015.33</b>
<b>Navajo Lutheran Mission</b>	<b>4,015.33</b>
<b>GLOBAL:</b>	
<b>NJ Synod for Bosnia IST</b>	<b>6,023.00</b>
<b>Lutheran World Relief</b>	<b>3,011.50</b>
<b>ELCA World Hunger</b>	<b>3,011.50</b>

**St. Timothy Endowment Committee:**  
**Ed Cleaver, Ken DeAngelis, Chrystal Eggers, James Koppenal,**  
**Karen Sajban, Lori Van Der Stad, Barbara Westerberg (Council Liaison)**





New Jersey Synod  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.

mission support 2020

[thank you]

**St Timothy Lutheran Church,  
Wayne**

In grateful appreciation for giving  
**\$23,325.00**  
for Mission Support.

*Iraue L. Bartholomeu*

Bishop, NJ Synod  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

*Elizabeth C. Eaton*

Presiding Bishop  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



The road may be opening up, but the road remains long.

How many of you have had times of depression during these cold months? I know I have. People I've been in contact with have mentioned how more daylight and longer days has felt good. What else has been helpful to your mood? Contact with friends and family? For children attending school, more in-person days has helped, both the children and parents! How about getting your first and maybe second vaccine to protect against this virus? The cold shut-in months have made us more empathetic listeners and less judgmental. How hard is it to listen to others?

Have you gained a few pounds? Make sure you are eating a good breakfast; it will help you regulate what you eat the rest of the day. Are you exercising some each day? Are you laughing and allowing fun into your day? If you are dealing with losses or illnesses? Are you open about how you feel? Are you allowing others to help you?

This crisis has thrown us all some punches. We've gained some humility.

As I write this Easter will be here in a few weeks. As Pastor Kimberly reminded us Jesus was fully human. He got angry (maybe he couldn't garden, or was thought of as being a little wacky at times). He lived in a politically difficult time than we do. Maybe he was dealing with the fairness of equality vs. equity as we are being asked to do.

Relief isn't going to be like flipping a switch. We still need patience. Hope you are all well. The road is opening but the road remains long.

Happy Easter. Jesus has risen. He was fully human and fully God's son.

Remember God is always with you.

More "Make Life Easy" next Tips  
Barbara Westerberg



**LUTHERAN  
WORLD RELIEF**

*Thank You!*

March 4, 2021

St. Timothy Lutheran Church  
395 Valley Rd  
Wayne NJ 07470-3946

Dear Friends,

We recently received your gift of \$3,011.50 to Lutheran World Relief. Thank you! I'd like to share a story of the great work your gift will support.

Kapinga Eudoxi, 43, lives in a village in the Democratic Republic of Congo that is plagued with water-borne diseases like typhoid. Children and adults were getting sick—some dying—and the community needed help.

With your support, villages like Nsange-Nyembwe are receiving access to safe water. "It is the delight of our hearts to change our village," exclaims Kapinga. Your gift made a world of difference in reaching over 271 villages in the region—that's 244,964 people impacted.

That's just one example of how your gift changes lives around the world. Please stay in touch! During this time of social distancing, we want to continue to bring you closer to the work you are doing around the world and we'd love to show you more examples of your gift in action. Go to [LWR.org](http://LWR.org) and sign up for E News to receive the latest updates. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the LWR staff at 800.597.5972 or [lwr@lwr.org](mailto:lwr@lwr.org).

On behalf of LWR, our partners and those we serve, please accept my thanks for your generous support and partnership. May God bless you!

Warm Regards,

Ambassador Daniel V. Speckhard (ret.)  
President and CEO

*As required by the IRS, this receipt confirms that Lutheran World Relief has given you no goods or services in return for your charitable contribution of \$3,011.50—LWR.*

**Please retain this letter for tax purposes**



First Communion was celebrated and received by our 5<sup>th</sup> Graders for the first time on Thursday March 27<sup>th</sup> during their own special service. Lauren Bedi, James Cleaver and Kaileigh Taylor baked their own Communion Bread to share with family. They each received a Bible with their name in it as a gift from St.

Timothy to remember their special day. A very big “Thank you” from the Christian Education Committee to Rich Wantula for another year of instruction to our children.

The Sunday School/Catechism Lenten Appeal will be ending on Easter Sunday, April 4. Originally, the CEC, had asked for help with Lutheran Disaster Relief, but found a COVID 19 ELCA Appeal that was more fitting for the times.

### *Help people and ministries affected by COVID-19*

*The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) continues to minister to its members, to those who are hurting and searching for peace, and to those in need. To continue this important work, the church needs your help.*

*With congregations and ministries across the country, and a network of companion churches and partners in over 70 countries around the world, we anticipate this crisis will affect us all. In the United States, unemployment has soared. We see rising demands on our food pantries, homeless shelters and social services. Around the world, millions of people living in poverty are facing this pandemic without reliable access to sanitation and health care.*

**Now is a time when we need one another. Now is a time to live and act as faithful people of God.**

#### **Dates to Remember:**

April 2 – Good Friday

April 4 – Easter Sunday – NO Sunday School

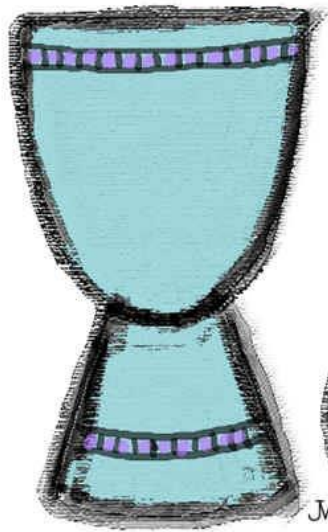
May 8 – Mother’s Day

May 16 – Last Day of Sunday School

May 23 – Confirmation

In His name,  
Laura Dec





# First Communion Blessings

May you always know  
the peace of Jesus,  
the light of His love,  
and the joy  
of His life within you.

We ask for God's abundant blessing upon these youth:

Lauren Bedi  
James Cleaver  
Kaleigh Taylor



---

## Heart 'n Hands Mission



Calling all Heart 'n Hands Mission volunteers! We are resuming our normal collection and sorting operations on Monday, April 5, in Fellowship Hall on Mondays from 9 am to 12 noon. Please wear your mask and join in the fun.

We are no longer accepting winter clothing for 2021. Many of our sites are still not distributing clothing, so please limit your donations to casual spring clothing and sturdy shoes that will be most helpful to the homeless and impoverished at this time. Thank you for your support.





**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

God's work. Our hands.

March 9, 2021

*Thank You*

St Timothy Lutheran Church  
395 Valley Rd  
Wayne, NJ 07470-3946

Dear St Timothy Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift of \$3,011.50 to ELCA World Hunger.

Thank you for your gift of \$4,015.34 to Lutheran Disaster Response.

*Bring us, O Christ, to share the fullness of your joy;  
baptize us in the risen life that death cannot destroy.*

– ELW 328

This is a season of reflection and sacrifice, but also a season of hope. As we walk the 40-day journey of Lent, we know that we are walking toward Easter and the promise of renewal. Your gifts to the ministries of the ELCA are bringing that promise and hope to your neighbors around the world.

Your generosity is getting at the root causes of hunger and poverty in over 60 countries including the United States. It is providing access to clean water, health care, agriculture, livestock, education, and peace and justice. Through your gifts, you are joining with the whole church as we work toward a just world where all are fed.

You are creating new beginnings. Thank you for sharing the hope of new life and the fullness of Christ's joy.

In Christ,

*Robin K Brown*

The Rev. Robin Brown  
Mission Funding Director, Congregations

*P.S. Please see the reverse side of this letter for your receipt.*



Would you like to be part of a prayer chain? If you are interested please contact me at the number listed below.

Here's how it works: When someone calls me with a request you will be contacted to pray for that person, you will then pass the request on to one other person who will do the same.

These requests will not be published.

To ask for prayer, call me and I will start the prayer chain. Requests can be as simple as "please pray for my neighbor who has to move into a nursing home?" or it can be please "pray for my daughter Ann". Feel free to give as many or as little details as you feel comfortable. Your request will be on the list for 4 weeks unless you call to continue.

Those calling with requests will be asked if it is confidential or if it can be shared. If you get my answering machine, you can simply say something like 'this is for prayers' and leave a phone number and I will call you when I get home.

Please call for any additional information,  
Barbara Westerberg ~ 973-696-1471

---

---

## Angel Circle



The Angels will resume meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 12 Noon.

We will remain masked and socially distanced as we work.

If you would like to pick up a quilt this would be a good time to come. Personal Instructions will be available.

Thanks, Barbara Kaplan

## APRIL LECTIONARY

<i>Thursday, April 1</i>	<i>Exodus 12:1-14</i>	<i>1 Corinthians 11:23-26</i>	<i>John 13:1-17, 31b-35</i>
<i>Friday, April 2</i>	<i>Isaiah 52:13—53:12</i>	<i>Hebrews 10:16-25</i>	<i>John 18:1—19:42</i>
<i>Saturday, April 3</i>	-----	<i>Romans 6:3-11</i>	<i>John 20:1-18</i>
<b>Sunday, April 4</b>	<b>Acts 10:34-43</b>	<b>1 Corinthians 15:1-11</b>	<b>Mark 16:1-8</b>
Monday, April 5	Genesis 1:1-19	1 Corinthians 15:35-49	Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24
Tuesday, April 6	Genesis 1:20—2:4a	1 Corinthians 15:50-58	Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24
Wednesday, April 7	Song of Solomon 3:1-11	Mark 16:1-8	Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24
Thursday, April 8	Daniel 1:1-21	Acts 2:42-47	Psalms 133
Friday, April 9	Daniel 2:1-23	Acts 4:23-31	Psalms 133
Saturday, April 10	Daniel 2:24-49	John 12:44-50	Psalms 133
<b>Sunday, April 11</b>	<b>Acts 4:32-35</b>	<b>1 John 1:1—2:2</b>	<b>John 20:19-31</b>
Monday, April 12	Daniel 3:1-30	1 John 2:3-11	Psalms 135
Tuesday, April 13	Daniel 6:1-28	1 John 2:12-17	Psalms 135
Wednesday, April 14	Isaiah 26:1-15	Mark 12:18-27	Psalms 135
Thursday, April 15	Daniel 9:1-19	1 John 2:18-25	Psalms 4
Friday, April 16	Daniel 10:2-19	1 John 2:26-28	Psalms 4
Saturday, April 17	Acts 3:1-10	Luke 22:24-30	Psalms 4
<b>Sunday, April 18</b>	<b>Acts 3:12-19</b>	<b>1 John 3:1-7</b>	<b>Luke 24:36b-48</b>
Monday, April 19	Jeremiah 30:1-11a	1 John 3:10-16	Psalms 150
Tuesday, April 20	Hosea 5:15—6:6	2 John 1-6	Psalms 150
Wednesday, April 21	Proverbs 9:1-6	Mark 16:9-18	Psalms 150
Thursday, April 22	Genesis 30:25-43	Acts 3:17-26	Psalms 23
Friday, April 23	Genesis 46:28—47:6	Acts 4:1-4	Psalms 23
Saturday, April 24	Genesis 48:8-19	Mark 6:30-34	Psalms 23
<b>Sunday, April 25</b>	<b>Acts 4:5-12</b>	<b>1 John 3:16-24</b>	<b>John 10:11-18</b>
<i>Monday, April 26</i>	<i>Isaiah 52:7-10</i>	<i>2 Timothy 4:6-11, 18</i>	<i>Mark 1:1-15</i>
Tuesday, April 27	1 Chronicles 11:1-9	Revelation 7:13-17	Psalms 95
Wednesday, April 28	Micah 7:8-20	Mark 14:26-31	Psalms 95
Thursday, April 29	Amos 8:1-7	Acts 8:1b-8	Psalms 22:25-31
Friday, April 30	Amos 8:11-13	Acts 8:9-25	Psalms 22:25-31

## St. Timothy Business & Service Directory


### BUSINESSES

MARY KAY

Karen Sajban  
Independent Beauty Consultant

20% off  
St. Tim  
Members

5 Post Brook Rd. South  
West Milford, NJ 07480  
973-229-4624  
KarenSajban@marykay.com  
www.marykay.com/karensajban



973-616-0555  
C - 973-418-1894  
Fax - 973-616-0668

**ED LANGSCHULTZ ELECTRIC, INC.**  
Serving All Of Northern New Jersey  
Free Estimates

Licensed and Insured License #9496



**Sajban Construction Inc.**

Home Improvements  
Kitchens & Baths  
Decks  
Windows & Doors  
Additions

Tom Sajban, President  
West Milford, NJ

Phone: 973-208-1896  
Fax: 973-208-1896  
Email: tsajban@optonline.net  
Lic#13VHO3247700

Evalyn Johnson's Granddaughter:



**Leash N' Lather**  
862-215-3779

LeashNLather@gmail.com  
www.facebook.com/LeashNLather

505 Saddle River Road  
Saddle Brook, NJ 07663

LeashNLather@gmail.com  
www.facebook.com/LeashNLather

505 Saddle River Road  
Saddle Brook, NJ 07663

### Tastefully Simple

Laura Dec, Consultant  
Midnightangel2@optonline.net  
[www.tastefullysimple.com](http://www.tastefullysimple.com)

Simplified Lifestyles through  
Convenient & Unique Gourmet Foods

(973) 835-2348

ID# 0059231

Ultimate Aire Systems, Inc.

Jeffrey W. Clapp  
President

1160 Hamburg Tpk Suite 4  
Wayne, N.J. 07470  
(973) 694-7810 phone  
(973) 305-8235 fax

ultimateaire@msn.com  
www.ultimateaire.com



Turn to the Experts

### **Sandy's Art Studio**

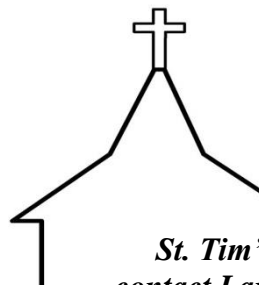
Come join us and experience the joy of art!

• Oil painting • Pen & Ink •  
• Color Pencil • Drawing • and more •  
We get kids to think out-of-the-box, learning creativity

**Age 5 to Adult**

**1<sup>st</sup> lesson free • Wayne, NJ**

**Call: 973-956-7654 • Email: kittykay2@yahoo.com**



*St. Tim's Business/Service Listing  
contact Laurie Crowley at 973-694-8316  
or email at [st.tims395@yahoo.com](mailto:st.tims395@yahoo.com)*