

February 2022

TIPS

A Newsletter From
Saint Timothy Evangelical Lutheran Church

Come and Worship!



Sunday School 9:15 – 10:15 am
Sunday Worship 8:30 and 10:30am

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 <u>1pm</u> Meditation Group <u>2pm</u> Bible Study and Holy Communion <u>7pm</u> Worship Committee	2 <u>7pm</u> Executive Committee <u>7:15 pm</u> AAFH (AA in Fellowship Hall)	3	4 <u>7 pm</u> AAFH (AA in Fellowship Hall)	5
6 <u>8:30</u> worship <u>9:15</u> SS <u>10:30</u> worship	7 <u>9 am</u> Mon Morn Crew Heart 'n Hands	8 <u>1pm</u> Meditation Group <u>2pm</u> Bible Study and Holy Communion	9 <u>7:15 pm</u> AAFH (AA in Fellowship Hall)	10 Pastor Kimberly @First call meeting all day	11 <u>7 pm</u> AAFH	12 Parents Night Out Youth fundraiser
13 <u>8:30</u> worship <u>9:15</u> SS <u>10:30</u> worship	14 <u>9 am</u> Mon Morn Crew Heart 'n Hands	15 <u>1pm</u> Meditation Group <u>2pm</u> Bible Study and Holy Communion <u>7:30 pm</u> Council Meeting	16 <u>10 am</u> Angel Circle <u>7:15 pm</u> AAFH	17	18 <u>7 pm</u> AAFH  <i>TIPS Deadline!</i>	19
20 <u>8:30</u> worship <u>9:15</u> SS <u>10:30</u> worship	21 <u>9 am</u> Mon Morn Crew Heart 'n Hands Office closed for Pres. Day	22 <u>1pm</u> Meditation Group <u>2pm</u> Bible Study and Holy Communion <u>7 pm</u> CEC Meeting	23 <u>7:15 pm</u> AAFH	24 <u>10:30 am</u> Adult Book Group	25 <u>7 pm</u> AAFH	26
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When the Steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.” John 2:9-10

February 1 marks one year since my call as pastor to St. Timothy ELCA began. What a year it has been! The greatest gifts have come in the conversations I have had with you. Those of you that have given of your time, telling me your stories and the story of the church have blessed me richly. It isn't easy to connect and build relationships these days, but you have been willing and we are a better congregation for it.

Normally, when a person accepts their first call to a congregation, there is a lot of hoopla. There's an ordination with a crowd of congregants, friends, family, and colleagues. Then there is an installation to ritually confirm a pastor as the servant leader of the congregation. For us, doing these things during COVID meant muted celebration with people watching from home. There wasn't much personal connection involved.

The coming together of a congregation and pastor, the installation, is much like a wedding. Not only did we have a watered-down version of the wedding, we also missed out on the honey moon phase that usually marks the beginning of such a relationship. We've been struggling from the beginning to know how best to continue ministry while also keeping our community as safe as possible. As I look back on this year, I believe we have done that.

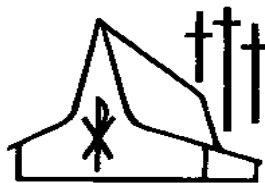
As I look with hope on this second year of ministry with you all, I am thinking about Jesus's miracle of turning water into wine. This year of amended ministry has felt watered down, but really water is a holy thing. The jugs of water that Jesus used to make the wine had been prepared for the purification rituals. Ritual purification was an important part of healing. Taking time to heal is crucial in this world of illness and sorrow.

That said, Jesus doesn't want ministry to be hard all the time. Jesus wants us to have joy as a community gathering in his name. We aren't sitting around waiting for him to change the water into wine, we are actively doing important things, but I also know that the day is coming

when he will surprise us with the most delicious wine we have ever tasted. One of these days, hopefully sooner than later, we will gather to feast together. I can hardly wait!

In preparation for that time, I am going to give you all a little bit of homework. It may seem like I'm asking you do something that is just too much in our busy world, but I promise you, that it will bless you as much as it will help our community. I want each person that reads this article to open up the directory and call one family that you know, but haven't talked to in a while. A church is not a wheel with the pastor as the hub connecting to everyone in their own separate spaces. A church is a web of interdependent people – of all ages – loving one another.

I love you. Jesus loves you. And when our water turns into wine...when the party really gets started...I want you to know just how much you love one another.



It's never too late to commit to serving the Lord with your earthly riches

MY PLEDGE... FOR CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH

When making your pledge, please consider tithing.

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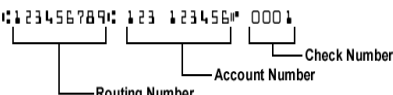
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No weekly envelopes, just an automatic transfer (at the frequency you decide) from your account to the church.

If interested in signing up for auto debit, please contact our Office Manager, Laurie Crowley. (Still complete this pledge card today)

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Adult Book Group ~ October 21st



Join us the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10:30 in the morning. We would love to have you join us. We will be in the parlor. Art DeRose is our leader so you know it's a mixture of study and laughter.

Art, Sandy, Nancy, Mary and Barbara

Bookworms

Our book selection for February The Book of Two Ways by Jody Picoult. For more information call Barbara Westerberg.

Happy reading,
Colleen, Nancy, Carolyn, Elsie and Barbara



Bible Study and Holy Communion

Beginning Tuesday February 1 @ 2pm, Pastor Kimberly will be leading a bible study on the lectionary passages followed by the liturgy of Holy Communion. Bring your favorite bible, if you have one, or use a church copy.

Heart 'n Hands Mission Love. Care. Serve.

In Honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. National Day of Service,
Please Donate Care Kits to Help the Homeless.

Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'

-Martin Luther King, Jr.

You can help by donating these Care Kits or Care Kit Items. These items can be for men or women:

Shave Care Kits

In a sandwich size bag:

2 razors

2 oz Travel shave cream

Travel pack of tissues

8 Band-Aids



Dental Care Kits

In a super-size sandwich bag:

Toothbrush and Cap

Toothpaste

Floss or 30 Flossers

Chapstick

Sugar Free Gum



Shower Care Kit

In a sandwich size bag:

Shampoo

Travel Size Body Wash

Travel Gold Bond Powder

2 oz Skin Lotion

Deodorant



You can also help by donating these other necessities from our

[Heart 'n Hands Mission Amazon Wish List](#) (click on link for our wish list)

or from your local discount store -

New Socks, Hand Warmers, Warm Gloves, Hand Sanitizer, Feminine Products

Thank you for your support!

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GERA update and an invitation

Thanks to all those who have donated or coordinated donations of furniture and household items to GERA's warehouse, they are now being put to good use. Over the past few weeks I have helped several families move into apartments in the area and they are most grateful for what GERA has provided.

Please keep GERA in mind if you have or know of someone looking to donate items in "like-new" condition. The colder weather has also made welcome Hearts 'n' Hands clothing donations. The storage area does need organization and Program manager Sofia Nader has asked for volunteers for a clean-up day Saturday January 29th. Work will involve moving furniture around the space and laying out boxed items onto shelves for display. If you are interested in helping please let me know. We will be scheduling shifts so as not to be too crowded in the work space. Everyone will be required to wear masks.

Thank you for your continued support of our new neighbors.

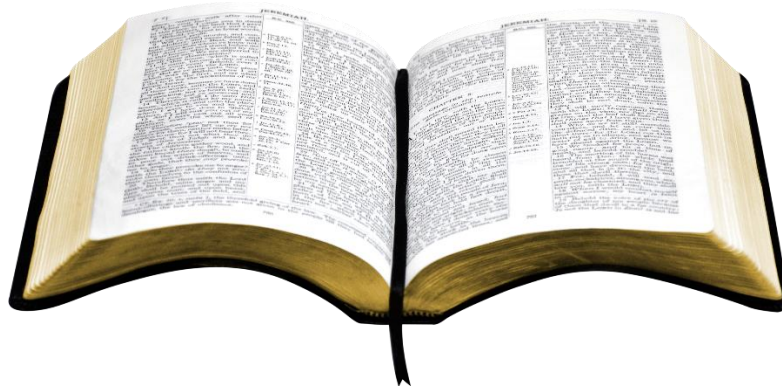
In His Name

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Sunday School was not held in January due to an Executive Board decision, as well as other activities at the church. Our teachers sent or emailed materials for the older students to keep them on track with our program. The younger students were emailed a video Children's Sermon to watch about "Walking in Jesus's Shoes/Helping Your Neighbor". Their project was to trace shoes and bring them back to church with a way they can help others like Jesus wants them to. I learned a big lesson too! We **all** are stressed and a little overwhelmed with the crazy way things are now. I forgot myself, to "Walk in Someone Else's Shoes". We are never too old or big to learn this important lesson. Even, Miss Laura.

In His name,
Laura Dec

Dates to Remember:

Feb. 6 – Sunday School resumes at 9:15

March 1 – Shrove Tuesday

March 2 – Ash Wednesday

April 10 – Palm Sunday

April 14 – Maundy Thursday

First Communion

April 15 – Good Friday

April 17 – Easter Sunday – **NO Sunday School**



St. Timothy Youth Group have several fundraisers planned for this month.

- February 12 Parents Night Out for kids 5 and up. This will be an evening bible school with games, crafts, bible story, and more. Drop off will be 6pm. Pick up by 9pm. Watch your email for registration information.
- Sub Sale! The youth will prepare subs for your Super Bowl Party. Orders due Feb. 6. Food pick up on Feb. 13. Please fill out this form and turn in with payment to the youth in the narthex on Feb. 1 or 6. You can also email the order to st.tims395@yahoo.com and pay when you pick up.

Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

Subs 6 in. \$6/ea

Turkey and cheese # _____

Ham and cheese # _____

Vegetarian (not vegan)

Bags of chips \$1/ea # _____

Veggie tray \$10 # _____



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



Sunday School parents and others are invited to join together in the Fellowship Hall while Sunday School is in session. Nancy Farina and Valerie McGrath have been setting up a really nice spread of coffee, tea, hot chocolate and snacks in Fellowship Hall. So please come and hang out

with each other safely in Fellowship Hall from 9:15 to 10:15 each Sunday morning. There are plenty of tables and chairs to social distance and gather together for some much-needed fellowship.

BIG NEWS!!!!!!!

We've hired a ***new administrative assistant***. Deb Califf is a member of First Presbyterian Church at Caldwell. She has many years of experience organizing and communicating on behalf of various voluntary organizations. She takes on this new role Feb. 1. The first few weeks she will be working some odd hours to learn the ropes from our beloved Laurie Crowley, but we will continue to maintain office hours from 9am – noon Mon.-Thu.

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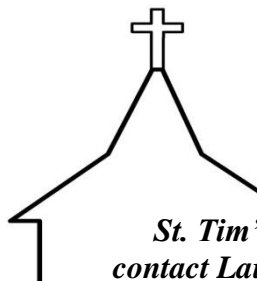
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