

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

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Sunday	Monday		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Philip & James, Apostles <u>9 am</u> Mon Morn Crew Heart 'n Hands <u>7 pm</u> Boy Scouts	1	2 <u>1 pm</u> Meditation <u>2 pm</u> Bible Study w/ Holy Communion <u>7 pm</u> Worship Committee	3 Grand Zpm Music Rehearsal	4 HAVTHEATH BE WITH YOU	5 <u>7 pm</u> AA	6
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#### "The bible is the cradle wherein Christ is laid." – Martin Luther

Martin Luther, and other reformers of his day, argued that scripture should be the primary tool for guiding the church. He did not agree with the Vatican that tradition (or dogma) was equal in importance with the bible. Luther held up the church's dogma and compared it to the bible. Anywhere that he saw a discrepancy, he gave greater authority to the bible and argued against the tradition. He didn't want to throw out all the traditions – only those that he saw as explicitly contrary to scripture.

The challenge, however, in honoring the authority of the bible, is that some pretty bad things have been motivated by bible verses (slavery, racism, crusades, the inquisition, etc.). In recent years, I've seen mugs and magnets that read, "I can do all things through a verse taken out of context." It's a play on Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" - a verse that is regularly and egregiously quoted out of context. The use of bible verses to argue our own point of view can be dangerous when our own point of view is sinful.

So, how is a lay person to know what the bible really says? And how can someone know, if the interpretation of a verse or passage is helpful or harmful? Martin Luther said to look for the *canon within the canon* – THE GOSPEL. We are to use the Word to interpret the word. We ground ourselves in Christ first. Martin Luther explained the gospel as Jesus clothing us in righteousness and putting on our sin. We use that as a filter to understand everything else we read.

I take it a step further, because, in truth, some dedicated Lutherans have used Lutheran theology to interpret the bible and still come up with some pretty poor interpretations. So, what I do, is consider the two greatest commandments as Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind" and "*the second is just like it*, you shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 22)

Each time I sit down to read scripture, I do so with these two twin viewpoints:

1. God loves all of humanity enough to be crucified with us and by us.

2. We are instructed to love God and all of humanity.

There are some passages and stories that easily back up these viewpoints. Others require a lot of prayer. I call this leaning on the Holy Spirit. When I come across a passage that is violent or disturbing, I ask the Holy Spirit to help me see God's love at work. So far, I have always found it.

I have heard from a number of you that reading the bible is intimidating or boring. There are places that are hard to understand. Other places can get a bit bogged down in details. So, I want to give you some suggestions of places to start: The *Letters*<sup>1</sup> of John (1, 2, and 3) are short and very sweet. It is in 1 John 4: 19 that we have the beautiful words: "we love because he first loved us." All three books are encouraging and empowering.

The Letter of James, the biological brother of Jesus and head of the church in Jerusalem. This book is heavy on guidance – how to follow Christ in the world. Martin Luther wasn't a big fan, but I am.

Paul's letter to the Romans is his masterpiece. In this letter he is especially clear on justification by the work of Jesus Christ. Take this one slow. Some might find it boring, but it is well worth a try. It is here that we find these words:

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Romans 8: 35, 37-39

You don't have to read the bible like other books. The bible is best taken in small bites instead of big chunks. Just read a few verses at a time. If you have any questions about what you are reading, come find me and ask. We can look for answers together. If you want more suggestions than those provided above, come ask me. These are just starting points.

In order to further encourage you to do this, every single person that comes to tell me they have read the bible (outside of church) will get a prize (rules and exclusions may apply<sup>2</sup>). Talk to you soon!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Not to be confused with the one Gospel according to John – entirely different and written by a different person.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Just kidding. There are no exclusions – that's the gospel.





Class of 2024 ~ High School or College

We invite parents and guardians, or even the graduating seniors themselves, to give a quick email to the office, <u>st.tims395@yahoo.com</u>, giving the name of the student and the school from which they are graduating. Please then attend the June 18<sup>th</sup> Worship service during which time we will celebrate and bless the Class of 2024! Deadline to submit information is June 4th

### Did you know that FREE Greeting Cards are available?



Have birthday wishes to send? Perhaps you want to mail a little "thinking of you" note to a friend or neighbor? There's also plenty of beautiful blank-inside cards to create your own message...



This month's Heart 'n Hands collection item is travel or full-size deodorant. Please keep this in mind when you are shopping.

# Spring Devotionals ~ a few still left

The quarterly Christ in Our Home devotional booklet is available on tables in the narthex and Fellowship Hall. Pick one up today and find daily inspiration, comfort and divine guidance.





Dear All,

The St Timothy Endowment Committee is asking you, the congregation, for suggestions for the 2023 endowment benevolent allocation.

Background: St. Timothy Lutheran Church's ministry extends beyond the walls of the sanctuary and into the local and world community. St. Timothy established the Endowment Fund in 2013 through the generosity of Ms. Marie Forester, as St. Timothy was named as beneficiary of her estate.

Purpose: To strengthen and extend God's mission, reaching out in response to human need, locally, nationally, and globally.

Allocation: The Committee is responsible for the annual allocation of endowment dividend funds (\$5,794.00 this year) which is 1/3 of retained earnings as 2022 was a loss year. Of the 1/3, half (\$2,897) of the total dividends will be determined by the committee and the other half (\$2,897) is to be determined by the congregation.

Requirements: Funds can only be given to legally qualified recipients; no funds can be used for St. Timothy's normal operating expenses. Requests can be made for special projects of the congregation, capital improvements for the congregation and other purposes.

For our donations to have the greatest impact please consider giving to the local chapters of national and global organizations.

Due Date: **May 31<sup>st</sup>**. There will be a suggestion box in the back of the Narthex. You will be asked to list one local, one national and one global charity and also include your name on the ballots provided. You may cast your ballot by placing it in the box in the Narthex, mailing it to the church "Attn. Endowment Committee", or emailing it to <u>st.tims395@yahoo.com</u>.

In His Service,

The Endowment Committee: Edward Cleaver, Ken DeAngelis, Cliff Konnerth, James Koppenal, Karen Sajban, Lori Van der Stad, and Colleen Duffy (Council Rep)



Paper ballots will be available on the gray table at the rear of the narthex throughout the month of May alongside the gold foil collection box.

*NEW THIS YEAR:* If you prefer to make your wishes known via electronic form, please <u>click HERE</u> on the emailed version of TIPS and bulletins!



Please help us prepare for WELCA's bi-yearly garage sale. This is our biggest fundraiser and many hands are needed in making it succesful. SIGN-UP TODAY!

<u>Sat July 8<sup>th</sup> 9am</u> - help is needed to prepare the Fellowship Hall and set up all the tables needed for the sale. Please sign up on the bulletin board or online by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

<u>Sun July 9<sup>th</sup></u> - Donation drop offs begin - volunteers will be available to assist with drop offs on Tuesday mornings and Thursday evenings. Items can also be left when the church is open, please leave in the Hall to the left of the door.

Sorry, but we do NOT accept clothing, large furniture, encyclopedia sets, old TV's or computers.

<u>Starting Tues July 11<sup>th</sup></u> and continuing in August volunteers are needed to sort and organize donations on Tuesday mornings 9am-11:30am and Thursday evenings 7pm-9pm. Please sign up on the bulletin board or online by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

Please save for us your bags (plastic/paper/reusable) and packing supplies (newspapers/bubble wrap). Drop these supplies off during donation times.

#### Any questions please contact Valerie McGrath © 973-519-0839

### Altar Flowers and Eternal Candles

Celebrate a special day, think birthday, anniversary, adoption day, coming home day, graduation or a just-because day... Honor a friendship, a parent's love, a child's accomplishment... Remember those you hold dearest who are now in Christ's presence...

Simply write your name and dedication on the sheet posted on the bulletin board. Or <u>click here</u>. Or email Deb in the office at <u>st.tims395@yahoo.com</u>.

Don't forget your check (or cash)... place it in the Secretary mailbox or in the collection plate or mail to St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 395 Valley Road, Wayne NJ 07470

Sponsorship of flowers currently remains at \$25 per arrangement; please make checks out to St. Timothy Floral Fund.

Eternal candles are \$5; same signup process (except <u>click here</u> for online candle registration). Please make checks payable to St. Timothy Memorial Fund.





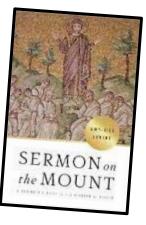
### Dates to Remember in June Each weekend has a special commemoration!

- June 4 9:30am Worship Sunday School wraps up the year Interview with Confirmands
- June 11 Worship @ 9:30am with Confirmation
- June 18 Blessing of High School & College Graduates
- June 25 Annual Meeting following Worship

# This summer, explore the most popular sermon ever delivered!

From the publisher:

The Sermon on the Mount contains some of Jesus' most profound and memorable teachings. What might these teachings have meant to his disciples and to the others who first heard them? How do they enhance our reading of the rest of the Gospel of Matthew, and how do



they speak across the centuries to listeners today? How, if we pay careful attention to his words, does Jesus provide us a road map to living as God would have us live?

In Sermon on the Mount: A Beginner's Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven, Dr. Amy-Jill Levine introduces the major topics in the Sermon on the Mount, explains historical and theological contexts, and shows how the words of Jesus echo his Jewish tradition and speak forward to reach hearts and minds today.

For 6 weeks this summer, Pastor Kimberly will lead the exploration of the chapters of Matthew that comprise Jesus' impactful speech.

### Details to follow!

Parents, starting to think about summer plans for your children? Check out the Cross Roads facilities and meet staff during an open house, May 13<sup>th</sup> or June 10<sup>th</sup>. <u>Click HERE</u> for more details, then register your child for an unforgettable experience today!



Cross Roads made Newsweek's list of top summer camps in the country!

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT CROSS ROADS

#### REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP

Summer 2023 Theme: Holy Trinity - Wholly Love



Cross Roads is the ultimate destination for children looking for an exciting and enriching summer experience. We offer a range of fun activities such as hiking, swimming, and sports, as well as opportunities for spiritual growth through small group discussions, and engaging activities. With experienced and caring staff, Cross Roads ensures that every child feels welcome, safe, and supported as they make new friends and create unforgettable memories. Don't miss out on the chance to join the Cross Roads community this summer!

#### OPENING DAY

Saturday: May 20, 2023

Join us for "Opening Day at Cross Roads," a fun work-day event. Individuals, youth groups, families, and congregational groups are invited to come to camp to volunteer with a few projects as we get camp ready for the summer season. There will be projects for all skill levels. If you have special skills or tools (chainsaws, leaf blowers, etc.) please bring them with you!

#### COMPLETED GRADES PROGRAM DATES YOUTH CAMP 1 JULY 9-14 2-8 HIGH SCHOOL WEEK JULY 9-14 9-12 YOUTH CAMP 2 JULY 16-21 2-8 SEEK (2 week program) JULY 16-28 8-10 \* HOLDOVER WEEKEND A JULY 21-23 2-8 YOUTH CAMP 3 (Artist in Residence) JULY 23-28 2-8 LEADERS IN TRAINING JULY 23 - AUGUST 11 11 YOUTH CAMP 4 (Curtains Up) JULY 30 - AUGUST 4 2-8 SEEK IN THE CITY JULY 30 - AUGUST 4 9-10 \* HOLDOVER WEEKEND B AUGUST 4-6 2-8 YOUTH CAMP 5 AUGUST 6-11 2-8 ADVENTURE CAMP AUGUST 6-11 6-8

#### To learn more, visit:

<u>www.crossroadsretreat.com/summer-camp/</u> <u>www.crossroadsretreat.com/opening-day</u>



# <u>Adult Bible Study ~ Every Tuesday</u>

Join us each Tuesday afternoon at 2pm for an in-depth discussion of Sunday's readings. Pastor Kimberly celebrates a Liturgy of Holy Communion following the discourse.





# Angel Circle & Knitters/Crocheters

Thanks to Debbie Andersen and a friend for distributing some of our lap quilts. The quilts went to "Family Ties," a program in

Illinois that gives them to those in need.

I want to thank everyone who makes this possible. This includes those working at home, in the church, and those donating fabric and batting.

The Angels will continue to make these simple quilts on May 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. Stop by and join us! –Barbara Kaplan

Join Nellie's Knitting and Crocheting group meeting on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month in Fellowship Hall.

Come to learn or come to just socialize. We enjoy sharing our knowledge and skills. The next dates coming up are May 10th and May 24<sup>th</sup>, 10am to 12 noon.

# <u>Adult Forum ~ Every Sunday</u>



Join us each Sunday morning at 9:15am in the Church Parlor. The Forum is a discussion and review of the religious, secular, and social "topics of the day" and how we relate to them as Christians in the modern world.

Enjoy "coffee/and," lively conversation, an energizing hour of fellowship (an a few chuckles) before the 10:30 worship service. All are welcome!



# Bookworms ~ May 13<sup>th</sup>



This month we tackle the WWII historical fiction novel, <u>*The Things We Cannot Say*</u> by Kelly Rimmer who touts the book as an unshakable reminder of the devastation when truth is silenced... and how it can take a lifetime to find our voice before we learn to trust it.

Contact Barbara Westerberg at 973.696.1471 for information on how to join in the friendly discussion.

Happy reading!



# Adult Book Group ~ May 18<sup>th</sup>



Join us the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10:30am in the parlor. We continue to make our way through Marcus Borg's *Speaking Christian*, a study of why and how many "Christian words and phrases" have lost their meaning and power in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The purpose is to help us

listen, read and discover anew Biblical truths obscured as language has evolved.

Art, Sandy, Nancy, Mary and Barbara (in casual conversation)

# **Meditation with Movement ~ Every Tuesday**

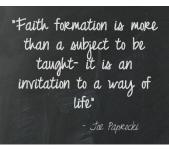
**Our Tuesday group has room for more!** Join us as we gently get the juices flowing, our bodies stretching, and our minds calming during our weekly hour-long sessions, led by Shirley, an experienced yoga teacher. We gather in Fellowship Hall on Tuesdays at 1pm. Bring your own water bottle. The cost is \$30 per month,



cash only, but pay as you go. Enjoy the companionship and reap the fitness benefits!

# <u>Sunday School ~ Every Sunday</u>

St. Timothy's Sunday School is busy finishing up "The Story" in the PreK through



Confirmation, and the adult class. Learning the major Bible stories throughout this year has been very educational. FYI, after all these years that I've been teaching, I finally understand who the prophets Elijah and Elisha are. I had always confused them. Learning while teaching is an amazing gift to receive.

The last day of Sunday School this year will be celebrated on June 4<sup>th</sup> with an intergenerational service in Fellowship Hall that will begin at 9:30. The Last Day of Sunday School for many, many years has been known as Cross and Crown Sunday. Cross and Crown Sunday is special for the students that have had good attendance for the year. They are given special pins as a reward for missing 4 Sundays or less during the Sunday School year. This year attendance was really good. Almost every student has had perfect attendance! All are welcome to join for bagels, muffins and light refreshments after the service.

Confirmation is almost here! Three of our Confirmation students will reaffirm their Baptism during the 9:30 service on June 11th. Come support them in their next journey as adult members in the community of the faithful here at St. Timothy.

In His name, Laura Dec

### Dates to Remember:

May 14 - Mother's Day

May 28 – Sunday School is scheduled (Memorial Day Weekend) Last Day of Teaching Pentecost

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8:30 and 10:30 service

- June 4 Last Day of Sunday School Fellowship Hall Intergenerational Service at 9:30 Summer Worship at 9:30 only
- June 11 Confirmation Sunday at 9:30
- June 19 Graduate Sunday at 9:30
- June 25 Congregational Meeting following the service



- 5/2 Michael Inciardi
- 5/2 Eric Sajban
- 5/3 Joseph Dittmer
- 5/5 Alice Hamm
- 5/9 Robin Koegel
- 5/11 Herb Eggers
- 5/12 Gloria Everett
- 5/12 Ilona Oosterwyk
- 5/13 Ryan DeRose-Travia
- 5/14 Andrew Cleaver
- 5/16 Amy Taranto
- 5/18 Helena Kremen
- 5/20 Lucia Amico

- 5/20 Melissa Taranto
- 5/21 Briana Venturelli
- 5/23 Marnie Sperling
- 5/24 Jake Benjamin
- 5/26 Michael Dec
- 5/26 Steven Englesbe
- 5/26 Benjamin Neglio
- 5/26 Elissa Scillieri
- 5/27 Jacqueline Serventi
- 5/28 Christopher Taranto
- 5/31 Carol Gabel
- 5/31 Samantha Sajban





- 5/4 Elissa & Frank Scillieri
- 5/5 Marta & Jeff Riotto
- 5/9 Carin & Richard Wantula
- 5/12 Cathe & Bob Davidson
- 5/16 Irma Enders & Reinhold Valentine
- 5/19 Danielle & Fred Dittmer
- 5/24 Marie & Craig Beyer
- 5/26 Pastor Kimberly & Compton Cooper
- 5/26 Riitta & Matthew Englesbe
- 5/27 Sandy & Dwayne Garbrandt

Should you be on this list, and you're not?? Please email Deb at <u>st.tims395@yahoo.com</u> or call the office at 973-694-8316!



### NJIC Refugee Sponsorship Update

Thank you to all who have been able to donate furniture and household items. As Deb has so accurately reported we have very few items outstanding. This is OUTSTANDING! :-) While we do not know the makeup of the family yet we are well prepared to help get them started.



I must ask those who are willing to eventually engage with our family to let me share your email address with NJIC. This is not a commitment for any specific task but that you are willing to be "on the list' to help in-person as able. For example, setting up the house or apartment, providing transportation, helping set up a bank account, registering kids in school etc. Many things we have done for ourselves but can now do for another.

NJIC recently met with CWS (Church World Service) who coordinates assistance and placement of refugee families on a Zoom conference. It is an hour long presentation and Q&A session I encourage you to view. It explains the process and what cosponsorship entails. We will not move forward until we have the many hands needed to make light work in place.

> Here is the video link and password: Click <u>HERE</u> and use passcode n!.L3v20

For those willing to volunteer, please contact me at cell number 201 757–4086 or email at ksnacs@msn.com.

In His Name, Cliff Konnerth

# Heart 'n Hands Mission



As part of our monthly collection of personal care items, in May we are asking for donations of travel and regular size deodorant. Thank you for your continuing support of our mission!

This month we are introducing you to another of our partner organizations that benefit from your continuing support of Heart 'n Hands Mission – Christhouse, part of the St. Luke Community Development Corporation of Paterson. Heart 'n Hands Mission

connected with Christhouse in February 2022 through Fallon King Goskowski, whose grandmother is a member of St. Luke Baptist Church in Paterson

St. Luke CDC was established by St. Luke Baptist Church in 1997 under the direction of the Rev. Kenneth D.R. Clayton. The mission of SLCDC is to serve as an agent of hope, help and healing in the City of Paterson. *"We exist to improve the quality of life of city residents, create a better community and to empower individuals to live self-sufficient lifestyles with the proper skills and tools to live."* 

Christhouse opened in 1998 as a Food and Clothing Distribution Center. The center provides fresh food and quality pre-owned clothes to community residents in need. Food is provided by community donations and local partnerships including the North Jersey Food Bank. Clothing is provided by private donations and through other local partnerships. They serve more than 300 local families each month, providing support to 1500 people. Currently, 75% of their clients are refugees resettling in the community.





Director Danny Webster leads a team of twenty volunteers at Christhouse to prepare clothing, stock the pantry shelves, and guide clients in selecting food and clothing. He began volunteering in 2016 and became director in September 2021. A lifelong member of St. Luke's Baptist Church, Danny grew up in Paterson, and with his father had a neighborhood barber shop for many years and has always been a part of the local community.

Danny feels blessed to be chosen for this work and is passionate about their mission. He energetically encourages the team to provide cheerful service in a friendly and compassionate setting, and wants everyone to enjoy coming to Christhouse. His dedication and joy come from providing light as an example of God's grace.



This spring, Danny is leading the team in creating a community vegetable garden in the yard adjacent to their building. With help from community members, they will grow fresh produce to supplement their weekly food distributions. Children attending St. Luke's summer camp program will also help, learning first-hand about gardening and farming. Anyone interested in volunteering to help with the garden can contact Danny at dannywebster385@gmail.com.



The Food Pantry



Distribution



**Selecting Clothes** 

In addition to Christhouse, St. Luke CDC operates several other programs serving the Paterson community. The House of Mercy is a transitional house for women who are coming out of incarceration. They host the Kamp Kreative Kidz no-cost summer camp for 100 youth, the After School Assistance Program during the school year, the Reading Assistance Program, and the Summer Youth Employment Program to provide meaningful employment opportunities for the youth of Paterson.

We are inspired by the tireless efforts of Danny Webster and the volunteers at Christhouse, and are grateful for your contributions that assist them and so many other partner organizations.

"Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much"

- Helen Keller.

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.  $\mathbb{I}$ 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



Besides supplying families with supplemental groceries, we provide them with ShopRite gift cards so they can purchase their choice of perishable food. If you would like to make a monetary donation to help with this effort, please <u>click</u> <u>here</u> for more information about making a monetary donation. Donations of ShopRite gift cards in small denominations are also always welcome. Thank you.

We can no longer accept the following items: clothing, including hats and gloves; stationery, calendars, greeting cards; craft supplies; toys; or individually wrapped packets of syrup, jelly, other condiments, or plastic utensils. Additionally please note that medical supplies of any kind cannot legally be distributed by the pantry and therefore cannot be accepted.

Please also consider donating sugar-free, gluten-free, and no-salt food items for our families with members who have dietary restrictions.

We are always in need of paper bags. Please consider donating those you have that are in usable condition to WIN. Thank you!!

#### The food pantry hours are:

Mondays & Wednesdays: 1:00 to 4:00 pm Tuesdays: 9:00 to 11:00 am Thursdays: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm Fridays: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm *Food donations may only be brought to the pantry*  on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays during normal business hours or by appointment.

*Call us at (973) 595-1900 first to be sure someone will be there.* 





Since March 15, 2023, gifts have been given to the General Memorial Fund in memory of:

Dorothy (Dee) Lender Additionally, gifts have been specially designated for the Altar Guild, in memory of: Dorothy (Dee) Lender

No memorial purchases have been made during this month. We are pleased that there have been additional paybacks from St. Timothy members who received Schleer and Flanders educational loans. We encourage all recipients of these loans to set up payment schedules, so that we can continue to assist our young people with the high cost of college. Gifts to the Schleer and Flanders Loan Funds are always appreciated, as well!



No Memorial Garden pavers were purchased this month, so our paver total stands at 116. 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 on-going. 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 faithful repayments to the loan funds.



DATE	Altar Guild	Ushers	Acolyte	Assisting Minister	Reader
May 7	Lori VanDerStad	Tom and Karen Sajban	Kayla Fagan	Karen McAleer	Garey Goskowski
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