

# Timothy Topics

Newsletter

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**Sunday Worship Service 10am**

## Minister's Corner

### WHO ARE WE?

Who are we, as a Congregation? Our Mission Statement explains: "St. Timothy's Presbyterian Church is a welcoming, Bible based, Christ centred worshipping community, committed to loving God, loving one another, and loving the world to which He sends us."

**A welcoming church.** A new family will know within seconds, upon entering the front entrance, whether we are a warm caring congregation, or not. Let us make sure newcomers feel welcomed. **A Bible based church.** The Presbyterian Church's position is as follows: "The Bible has been given to us by the inspiration of God to be the rule of faith and life" as in Psalm 119, verse 105, "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." **A Christ centred church.** Jesus said: "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life; no one comes to the Father, except through Me." So let us resolve that in all that we say and do we declare that Jesus Christ is the Saviour and Lord. **A worshipping church.** Worship is the central and most important activity of God's people. The church lives to praise God. We have no higher calling than to offer the worship that belongs to God, day by day, Sunday by Sunday. **A loving church.** Loving God, loving each other, and loving those outside the church ought to characterize us. The first Christians in the Book of Acts are described as follows: "Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at homes and ate the food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the good will of all the people." May we have the same result, "And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved." Rev. Floyd

## A Celebration of the Growing Seed

You are invited to celebrate the growing seed at **St Tim's Celebratory Pot Luck Supper on October 28, 2017**. Just as the vegetable gardens on the front lawn have been flourishing, so has St Tim's. Like the parable of the Growing Seed in Mark 4:26-29, the seed is scattered, then sprouts and grows we do not know how; and so has the faith at St Timothy's. Like our gardeners who have faith their work will produce fruit and vegetables, so does St Timothy's have faith that God will help us grow and produce fruit. Please join us to celebrate the growth in: Baptisms and Professions of Faith; social groups such as the Not So Young Adult Group; new partners in Christ such as BNCCC, The Word Chapel and Standing in the Gap, churches using St Tim's as a place of worship; more soloists performing the special music; more children and youth; and most important of all, more hope. It is the hope in our Lord Jesus Christ that makes us grow. God makes our faith grow, we just need to continue sowing seeds by being a welcoming, Bible based, Christ centred, worshipping and loving church.

## Back to School, Work and Church

Many take a break during the summer: kids are home from school, workers take summer vacations with their families, and church activities slow right down. Here's hoping you are now refreshed and ready for another year of studies, work and spiritual pursuits. Session and its committees all return to their monthly meetings managing our worship services, fundraisers, mission projects, Christian education and fellowship events, as well as finances, administrative duties and property maintenance. Our spiritual and social groups look forward to reuniting for another year and extend an invitation to new-comers: African Chorus, Afternoon Circle, Craft Group, JOY Group, Men's Breakfast, Not So Young Adult Group, St Tim's Choir and Senior and Junior Youth Groups. And these September events start the year off with a bang: Welcome Back BBQ; **E.H. Gospel Sound Concert on Sep 17 at 2pm, adults \$15 and children \$3**; Family Sunday School; Family Worship Service; Fall Yard Sale, Baking Fun Day and lastly, the **Men's Breakfast** is open to the entire congregation and features a return of **Rev. Dr. Dale Woods, Principal of Presbyterian College in Montreal** as guest speaker: **Saturday, September 30 at 8:30am.**

## Worship Services

Sunday Worship Service..... Sep 3, 10am  
Sunday Worship Service &  
African Chorus..... Sep 10, 10am  
Sunday Worship Service..... Sep 17, 10am  
Family Worship Service ..... Sep 24, 10am

## Up-coming Events

Prayer ..... Sundays, 8:30am  
Welcome Back BBQ..... Sep 10, 11am  
Family Sunday School..... Sep 17, 10am  
E.H. Gospel Sound Concert ..... Sep 17, 2pm  
Fall Yard Sale ..... Sep 23, 8:30am  
Men's Breakfast..... Sep 30, 8:30am  
Baking Fun Day ..... Sep 30, 1pm  
E-waste Collection ..... Oct 14 & 15

## Church Groups

African Chorus ..... Sep 3, 11am  
Afternoon Circle ..... Sep 13, 1:30pm  
Craft Group ..... Sep 11, 18, 25, 2pm  
JOY Group..... Sep 19, 10am  
Not So Young Adult Group ..... Oct 8 11am  
Senior Youth Group..... Sep 24, 8:30am  
St Tim's Choir..... Sep 10, 17, 24, 9am