

# Timothy Topics

Newsletter

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Rev. Reine's Virtual Office Hours: Tuesdays, by appointment

Sunday Worship Service 10am

## Fun Fact!

The Bible ends in grace!  
Revelations 22:21, the last  
verse of the Bible:

"The grace of our Lord Jesus  
Christ be with you all. Amen."

## Minister's Corner

**Jeremiah 18:6** *O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the Lord. Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel.*

During a pre-marital counselling session, the counsellor showed the couple a picture of a potter-house and asked them to identify with one element in the picture. The picture contained three elements: the potter, the wheel and clay. After a time, both said: "the wheel". Generally, we may be too polite to express our wish to be the potter, but we are defiantly against being the clay.

In the beginning, this picture of the potter sitting behind his wheel forming and creating a useful pot or beautiful vase was inside the mind and soul of each of us. We saw our life in the hands of The One who is ultimately knowing, able and loving. Before we went to sleep, we put our thoughts and concerns in his palms. As we left our houses in the morning, we asked him for guidance. When fear and sadness hit, we ran to him for help. We lived in the world of the Great Potter.

Gradually, things changed. There is a growing desire to be the potter of our life. We love the idea of creating something useful and beautiful out of a messy chunk of clay. We want to believe that what happens to this clay can happen to anything that comes our way. We are creative, smart, enthusiastic and can build something new almost every day; so why not to see ourselves as great potters?

Since we uncovered the laws of our world, and learned to control them, we want nothing to do with clay. We feel that we've been there too long and we've paid our dues. When we look at all that has been achieved in the fields of science and technology, we are more convinced that it is right to claim the seat of the potter.

But did we actually gain anything from this change? Do we have a better sense of meaning and purpose in our life? In a world filled with trouble and pain, it doesn't take much to realise that we are NOT in control. Maybe we need to re-embrace the picture of a potter-house again and offer ourselves as clay in the hands of the Great Potter. Rev. Reine

## Counting Our Blessings

The pandemic has caused much hardship for many. Yet, God never ceases to amaze us! Even through a pandemic, we can count several blessings God has poured upon us through friends, families, colleagues and even strangers. The pandemic has also caused us to miss St Timothy's Anniversary last April. That is why, this Thanksgiving worship service will celebrate ***the blessings God has poured on us through St Timothy's***. Hence, **Oct 11 at 10am** will be **Thanksgiving & Anniversary Worship Service**. In prayer of thanksgiving and praise to our Creator and Provider, we will share how St Timothy's has been a blessing to us. To do this, we need you to tell us how coming to St Timothy's has been a blessing to you. Please send in your contribution to Rev. Reine at [reineboghos@gmail.com](mailto:reineboghos@gmail.com) by Tuesday October 6.

## E-Waste Collection

An E-waste collection will be held **Saturday October 17, 8am to 3:30pm and again on Sunday October 18, noon to 3:30pm**. This is an opportunity to clean out your cupboards of unwanted and used electronics, such as computers and computer peripherals; printers; IT printing, copying and multi-function devices; telephones, cellular phones and pagers; televisions, monitors and home theatre systems; and audio/visual systems. **We also need volunteers to help out**; if interested please contact the church office at 613-733-0131. Money raised from this venture will fund the new heating system for the main hall. The more e-waste we collect, the more money we make; invite your friends, families and neighbours to clean out those cupboards!

## Holy Communion: In-person and Virtual

Sunday Oct 4 is World Communion Sunday. Due to the pandemic, our Communion Worship Service on Sunday Oct 4 will be celebrated a little differently. Instead of St Timothy's providing the Communion Elements, you are asked to bring the bread and wine (juice) for yourself and your family. If joining us on Zoom, please have bread and wine (juice) available so you can participate virtually.

## Behind the Scenes

A thank you to those who work so diligently keeping our congregation safe during the in-person worship services and keeping others connected via a virtual (zoom) service. We are truly grateful for having such leadership.

### Worship Services

Holy Communion ..... Oct 4, 10am  
Thanksgiving &  
Anniversary Service ..... Oct 11, 10am  
Sunday Worship ..... Oct 18, 25, 10am

### Upcoming Events

E-Waste Collection .. Oct 17, 8am-3:30pm  
E-Waste Collection . Oct 18, noon-3:30pm

### Church Groups

Virtual Café Connections ..... Fridays 10am

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### COVID-19 Safety Measures

Sanitising Pews

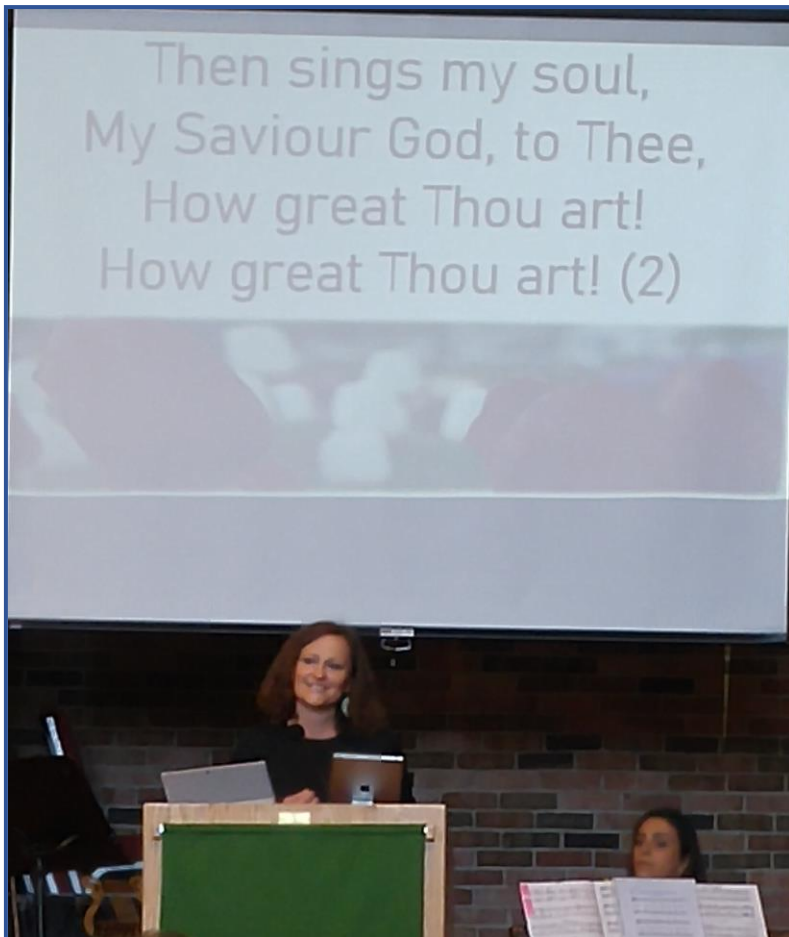
Hand Sanitising

Contact Tracing

All wearing masks



### Hymns sung by soloist



### Plenty of Potatoes for Heron Emergency Food Centre From Church Garden

