

Sunday, January 31, 2021 @ 10:00 AM
God Calls Us Together
Family Worship Service Via Zoom

St. Timothy's

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WELCOME to all who share in our worship!

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.

ST. TIMOTHY'S VIRTUAL WORSHIP SERVICES: A Zoom meeting invitation is sent to members of the congregation on the Friday before the Sunday service. Having everyone join a live service together adds a personal touch and closeness to our gathering. If you are able, you are invited to open your camera so that other participants can feel your presence. Please mute your microphones. The weekly zoom link is also available on our website under Coming Events (<https://sttimsottawa.com/coming-events-2/>). Newcomers are welcome to join!

COVID-19 UPDATES

ONTARIO UPDATE: In response to the latest restrictions announced by the Provincial Government to curb the spread of COVID-19 throughout the province, Session has made the following decisions:

- **St. Timothy's Worship Services** will continue via Zoom until **May**;
- **The Church Office** will be closed until further notice. The church can be contacted by mail, email and voicemail;
- **Rev. Reine** can be contacted by phone and email;
- **All in-person meetings** at the church are suspended;
- **Church Mailbox** will be cleared daily; and
- **Banking** will still be done weekly - so please continue to drop off your donations as we did last Spring.

The COVID-19 Committee will review the Provincial Government and Ottawa Public Health advice at that time to further assess how to proceed going forward.

OTTAWA PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE: OPH has asked that faith communities inform their congregants of the Voluntary Isolation Centre service available for eligible residents needing support self-isolating. For details click here: <https://www.ottawapublichealth.ca/en/public-health-services/ottawa-voluntary-isolation-centre.aspx>

For regular updates on the administration of the Covid vaccine and how it works, click here: OttawaPublicHealth.ca/COVID19Vaccine



St. Timothy's Resources

Pastoral Care:

Molly Olshefsky

(If you know of anyone in the congregation who is ill or in need of a call, please let Molly know).

CHURCH OFFICE:

The Church Office is closed until the provincial lockdown is over.

MINISTER OFFICE HOURS:

On Tuesdays Rev. Reine will welcome virtual visits. Please call her at **613-255-6787** to make an appointment.

Upcoming Special Services

Feb 17 at 7pm

Ash Wednesday Service

Feb 21 at 10am Black History Service

Virtual Sunday School

starts next Sunday **Feb 7** immediately following the worship service

DID YOU KNOW THERE ARE NOW FOUR WAYS TO DONATE?

1. Interac Electronic bank transfer
2. Numbered Donation Envelopes
3. Enrollment in PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) or
4. On our website at www.sttimsottawa.com using the DONATE NOW button

Contact our Office if you need any assistance.

COMING EVENTS

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Although subject to Covid-related changes, the Annual Congregational Meeting (ACM) will be held virtually at 11am on **Sunday March 14** immediately following the worship service by way of Zoom. Committee and other Reports must be forwarded to David Gowdy electronically by February 7th, must be kept as brief as possible, and will be subject to editing. All reports will be distributed to Church members prior to the ACM by St. Timothy's group e-mail, and hand delivered or mailed to those without access to e-mail.

ST. TIMOTHY'S YOUTH CORNER

VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL: Starting in February, following the worship service, the children will have a virtual Sunday school on Zoom. They will meet **only once per month**. Parents are asked to teach their children how to mute/unmute their microphones. Use the same link as the worship service for that Sunday.

February Schedule:

Feb 7: Grades 5 and up

Feb 21: Junior and Senior Kindergarten

Feb 28: Grades 1-4

BEDTIME WITH JESUS: Every **Sat and Sun at 7pm**, Rev. Reine invites all the little children to listen to a bedtime story. She will meet with the children on Zoom, and will read a children's Bible story appropriate for children up to age 8, but older brothers and sisters, and parents, are welcome to listen in. What a wonderful way to end the day. Parents are asked to teach their children how to mute/unmute. The Zoom link will be provided by Rev. Reine. For more information, contact Rev. Reine.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS! Every month we will celebrate birthdays. **This Sunday Jan 31**, those with January birthdays are invited to stay on Zoom following the worship service for birthday wishes and a song!

ELDER SELECTION: Session is currently looking to add more Elders to our existing group. If you are called to serve as an Elder or, if there is someone you would like to suggest, please contact your Elder or St Tim's office to let us know. Your Elder will also be able to explain the responsibilities associated with that position. Please give this prayerful consideration; we are hoping to hear from you before our next Session meeting on Feb 9.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2021: There are extra boxes available if you did not pre-order and would now like a box. If you wish to contribute by PAR or would like a box of envelopes, please email sttimsoffice@on.aibn.com and our Office Administrator can assist you.

ST. TIMOTHY'S DIRECTORY: A new Directory has been compiled. It was distributed by email. Paper copies of the new Directory will be made available for pickup through the Elders.

2020 TAX RECEIPTS: Tax receipts for 2020 offerings will be issued and mailed out before the end of February.

VIRTUAL CAFÉ CONNECTIONS: Join us with your coffee or tea for a time of fellowship. Gatherings are conducted via Zoom; Rev. Reine emails the link to connect the day prior to the meeting. **Fridays 10 to 11am**. If you have questions about Zoom, please contact Rev. Reine at 613-225-6787.

IN-PERSON SPIRITUAL & SOCIAL GROUPS: All in-person groups are suspended until further notice.