

St Timothy's Presbyterian Church

2400 Alta Vista Drive, Ottawa

Sunday Worship Service @ 10:00 am

Do you want to meet the minister? Rev. Reine loves to meet with you, by appointment.

Do you want a link to participate online? Please contact the office.

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Bible Trivia: I watched something like a sheet filled with animals coming from heaven. Who am I?

Find the answer on your own or wait for the next *Timothy Topic*.

Last issue's answer: Book of John

Minister's Corner: Do you have a smart phone? Do you solve/find answers or projects or destination using your phone? Do you use safari or google to find answers and services? Do you google it? the term was coined in 1998 by Google co-founder Larry Page, who wrote on a mailing list: "Have fun and keep googling!" However, this is not the era we live in today. We live on step further. We live in the app era. We are moving to the AI. Apps basically ask the questions for us and hand out the answers. They put pictures so we don't have to read. In 2015, McDonald's started rolling out screen-ordering devices or self-ordering kiosks. Cutting employment costs was not the only reason behind this or the biggest. The giant franchise has figured out that their clients are less and less comfortable to articulate person to person what they need, even when they are paying for it! They are more comfortable doing this on a screen. Later that same year, McDonald's introduced their app to allow young customers to place their orders using the screens of their phones. It sounds like it would be best if God were to interact with us through an app. Open the app, ask your questions, put your requests, say your prayers and you will get the answers, knowledge, products, healing you need. Thankfully, the journey of faith is not so. There are hard moments and impossible to understand scenarios. When a prominent Christian theologian and astrophysicist was asked: why does he need to believe in the God of the Gospel (the whole story)? Why not believe in the idea of a creator and that's it, his answer was: 'if faith is not a personal connection that evolves from a day-to-day interaction and frustrations, it is not faith at all.' God is the first and last, creator of the world, and a mystery that would never be exhausted. Neither in this life nor the one to come. In Mark 7, the Canaanite woman begged Jesus to cast the demon out of her daughter. After hearing her words, Jesus immediately told her: **'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.'** We see the emphases here on her words: **'for saying that'**. This is a testimony of the power of meeting, asking and advocating. Those are interpersonal skills that we need to use in our spiritual life as our God is a personal God that expects a true and meaningful relation. Rev. Reine

In the rearview mirror: Sunday Sep 8 was a joyful day at St. Timothy's. The Mission and Outreach committee led the service and announced the completion of our Mission project for this year; supporting the Presbyterian college in Montreal. kudos to our congregation for achieving another wonderful mission project! Our guest speaker Rev. Ryan Farrell who is ordained with the Christian Reformed Church and works with Ottawa Campus Chaplaincy (OCC), inspired us with a great message titled "God sets the Table". He also led the children time and presented the idea of 'God as a host'. The African Chorus enriched our service with uplifting music and moving performance. After the service, all were invited to BBQ lunch thanks to the fellowship committee. Laughter and joy filled the air!

- On September 10 our session members met in person to kick off the meetings for the year with communion, dinner, and followed by business. Thanks to those who joined online as well.

-On Tuesday Sep 24, our amazing team at St. Timothy's took on the task of putting together a home-made meal to Ottawa U students: 'a home-meal away from home'. We partnered with the chaplaincy office at the university in their "Feast and Faith" program. It was such a joyful & meaningful ministry with the young adults who enjoyed the food. Christ was present in the midst of the conversations and interaction with the students. May His light shine everywhere. Thanks to the presbytery of Ottawa for their support and to our wonderful congregation.

Looking forward: Join us for our Thanksgiving worship service on Oct 13. Count your blessings! Special musical presentation by the singing saints and the African Chorus. Don't miss the fellowship fun after every service!

-Are you called to be an elder to serve our St. Timothy's family and join a wonderful team of dedicated leaders? Please let Rev. Reine or Ken SaahFon know.

- New to the family of our church? Would you like to be a member? Interested to receive our church emails and announcements, please let Rev. Reine know.

Sunday Worship Services @10 am
October 6,13,20,27
Sunday school during the service
Youth group Oct.6, Oct. 27 after service

Coming Events

World Communion Sunday @ 10:00 am
Thanksgiving Service Oct.13 @10 am
African Chorus Oct. 13 @ 10 am
Café Connections, Friday Oct.11 @ 10:00 am
Agape gatherings Tuesday Oct. 29 @10:30 am

Bible study Wednesdays @10 am
Craft Group, Mondays @ 2:00 pm
Prayer Time: Do you have a prayer request or a prayer of thanksgiving? Please contact the minister or Pastoral Care Team.

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