

# TIMOTHY TOPICS

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Sunday Worship Service @ 10:00 am

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Finish the verse:

"And whatever you ask in prayer.....

Last issue's answer: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding". Proverbs 3:5

**Minister's Corner:** The long summer days have passed, and life is settling down again. A new season is here, a season to begin fresh and find our rhythm again. As families return to school and work and as many of our seasoned members find a steadier rhythm after summer visits and gatherings..., this is a time for all of us to start strong together. Backpacks are packed. Calendars are filling up. Life is taking on its regular rhythm once more. In the middle of all the planning, I want to encourage you to put **faith** at the center of your plans. It's so easy for sports, homework, social activities, and even quiet routines to crowd out the most important commitment we have: our **walk with God** and our connection to His people. The writer of Hebrews reminds us: "**And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.**" (Heb. 10:24-25). God didn't design us to follow Him in isolation. We need one another. We need worship that lifts our hearts, teaching that grounds our faith, and relationships that strengthen us when life gets hard. Sunday worship isn't just another event on the calendar; it's a lifeline for our souls and an anchor for our families. Think about the example we set for our children. When we make gathering with God's people a priority, we teach them that faith is more than words; it's a **way of life**. When we serve, when we pray together, when we worship as a family, we're shaping their hearts for eternity. And let's not forget our seniors and longtime members; their wisdom, presence, and prayers are a gift we all need. This season is an opportunity. As we start fresh, let's build routines that reflect what matters most. Make Sunday mornings a **non-negotiable**. Get involved in a small group or Bible study. Serve in a ministry. Let your kids and youth experience the joy of growing in their faith with friends who share the same values. Jesus said in Matthew 6:33, "**But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.**" When we put God first, everything else finds its place. So, as you color-code your family calendar, as you juggle school, work, and plans, ask this question: Where does Jesus fit in? My prayer is that for every person at St. Timothy, from our youngest children to our beloved seniors, the answer will be clear: right at the center. Let's make this fall a season of spiritual renewal. Let's worship together, grow together, and serve together. Church is not just a place we go; it's a family we belong to. And I can't wait to see what God will do in and through us as we commit to Him and to one another. **See you every Sunday!** Rev. Reine

**In the Rearview Mirror:** -On June 7, the Stewardship Committee at St. Tim hosted a wonderful **Garage Sale** that brought together members of our congregation and the wider community. Delicious barbecue was enjoyed by all! A huge thank you to everyone who gave their time and energy to make this event such a success.

-We had a joyful and meaningful **Father's Day** celebration on June 15! Our worship began by honoring the love and care of our Heavenly Father, setting a beautiful tone for the day. A few fathers and their children participated in leading the service, reminding us of the gift of family and faith passed through generations. Our children's choir filled the sanctuary with the uplifting song "I Am a Child of God", and the Scripture reading, telling the story of Joseph, was brought to life through a dramatic presentation. We were also delighted to celebrate baby Mikael's 2nd birthday with a special blessing and prayer during the service. Afterwards, we gathered downstairs to sing "Happy Birthday" and enjoy wonderful fellowship over delicious food.

-On June 26, under the leadership of Bertha S., the **youth group** joyfully led the worship service. They took part in various elements of the liturgy. Caleb S. engaged our youngest members encouraging them with a special summer challenge, to read their Bibles throughout the break. Rev. Reine delivered a message titled "More Than What You See," speaking directly to the youth and reminding us all of our deeper worth and calling. Following the service, everyone enjoyed a delicious barbecue and lively outdoor games, which brought smiles and laughter to our youth and children.

-A Spectacular **Outdoor Worship** service on July 13! Under our beautiful maple tree, we gathered to lift our praise, prayers, and thanksgiving to God. The music was a true blessing; with Mike Powell leading on guitar and Andrew Lenz offering special music on his guitar, adding beauty to our time of worship. Rev. Reine's message focused on "Rest as a Gift from God". The congregation then split into four groups, each engaging in a fun and meaningful activity connected to the theme. A lovely picnic followed the service.

**Looking Forward:** - Join us on Sunday, September 7, at St. Timothy's as we celebrate the start of a new season together with a special **Mission Sunday** worship service at 10:00 a.m., featuring guest speaker Patricia Grainger. **Sunday School** will resume for the children, and after the service, we'll enjoy a barbecue lunch. It will be a joyful time of worship, fellowship, and reconnecting after the summer, and families, friends are all warmly welcome. - Sunday, September 14, **Communion** will be served during the service.

Sunday Worship Services 10:00 am

September 7,14,21,28

Sunday school during the service

Coming Events

Mission Sunday Sep. 7,2025 @10

Welcome back BBQ Sep. 7,2025@ 11

Holy Communion Sep.14,2025 @ 10

Café Connections Sep. 13,2025

@10:30

Agape Gathering Sep.30 ,2025

@10:30

Bible Study, Wednesdays

@10:00



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