

# St. Timothy Lutheran Church

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Whoever gossips to you  
will be a gossip of you.

*A talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is of a  
faithful spirit concealeth the matter. – Proverbs 11:13*

2026



Worship Services:

SUNDAY:

Worship Service † 8:30 am and 11:00 am

WEDNESDAY:

Bible Study † 10:00 am

Chapel † 11:15 am

MAY 25<sup>TH</sup>

MEMORIAL DAY

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED



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Reachout  
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**Office Hours**  
Tues. – Thurs.  
9 am – 2 pm



## ✠ Pastor's Note ✠

Dear friends in Christ!

Most calendars don't even mark it anymore: it has slipped from the nation's consciousness. Maybe that's because so few American evangelicals celebrate it: but even in our own church it doesn't get the attention and fanfare the other feast days do. Maybe that's because it falls so close to Easter – a scant 50 days later, not even two full months: so, it seems to be an afterthought to Easter, not a major feast day in its own right. For whatever reason, the Day of Pentecost seems to be the Rodney Dangerfield of church holy days (holidays)—it gets no respect, I tell ya.

Yet Pentecost should get more love and attention than it does, because this was the birthday of the modern church (which is the direct continuation of God's people but in a new form). Gone are the old ways of worshipping the Living God under the temple sacrificial system: St. Paul tells us those were a shadow of the things to come but the reality is in Christ (Colossians 2:17). On the Day of Pentecost the promise of Jesus to the Samaritan woman at the well (cf. John 4) comes true: with the coming of the Holy Spirit in power the true worshippers of God worship in spirit and truth. So important to the church is Pentecost that from now on we mark time in the church calendar by how many Sundays since Pentecost it has been.

The Holy Spirit fills the sails of the church and makes it move that was true on the Day of Pentecost, and it's still true today. We get nowhere as a congregation without the Holy Spirit filling us and empowering us. The good news for us is that is exactly what the Holy Spirit wants to do here at St. Timothy. He came to each of us in the waters of baptism (John 3:5); He made our bodies His temple (1 Corinthians 6:19); and He equips us with spiritual gifts to grow the church (1 Corinthians 12:4-11). The Holy Spirit abides in us and wants to work through us in Lakeville and beyond.

Dear friends, as our country increasingly turns away from the Living God, let us take the in-dwelling of the Holy Spirit seriously. Drink deep of the eternal life He brings us through Word and Sacrament as He brings us to the risen Lord Jesus Christ for healing and forgiveness. Let us pray, and fast, and search the Scriptures; let us be molded into people who love righteousness, pursue holiness, and practice self-sacrifice; and let us be led by the Holy Spirit as we make more and better disciples for Jesus in Lakeville and beyond. And this year let us celebrate the Day of Pentecost with joy and gratitude.

Peace,

Pastor EN

IT'S A PARTY



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 5-1 Paul Poppenfuse
- 5-5 Kayla Fackler
- 5-6 Emma Clark
- 5-8 Joel Lutze
- 5-9 Mattie Nevis
- 5-12 Rhonda Partlo
- 5-14 Mary Lukowski
- 5-21 Kinsey Gonyea
- 5-26 Clare Wheeler  
Jim Newsom

## HAPPY Anniversary!

5-9 Jeff & Kristi Richardson



## Food Trucks

Summer is almost here and with it comes the food trucks. The dates for this year are, **May 9**, June 13, July 18, August 8, Sept. 12 and Oct. 3. If you would like to **volunteer for any of these dates** it would be a tremendous help. Trucks unload at 7:30am.



## Outdoor Clean-up Helpers

Help to keep God's house neat outside. Looking for helpers to keep areas of the outside looking debris and weed free. Sign up for a section. Clean-up is done on your own schedule. See Kathryn Christensen.



## Highlights

Saturday, May 9  
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Sunday, May 10  
Monday, May 18

Food truck  
Last euchre night  
Baby bottle drive starts  
Red Cross Blood Drive

### EUCHRE

Last chance to play euchre this season. May 9<sup>th</sup> is the last game until September 12<sup>th</sup>.



## Easter Egg Hunt

On April 4<sup>th</sup> 25 children came to our Easter Egg Hunt & Craft. It was a drenching rainy morning, but we had it inside and the kids all had fun. Thank you's go out to Chelsea Ex & Mark Nagayda for helping to get the eggs scattered about. Also, to Pastor EN for always being present where a children's activity is happening and to Victor, Carter & Caleb Ex for helping to get the room cleaned up and taking the bins of eggs downstairs.

## Thank You

To my dear church family for the cards, visits, texts, and phone calls during my recent surgery. Please continue to pray for me. I am waiting on the kidney donor registry. I very much appreciate everyone who kept me in their thoughts and prayers.

Catherine Buckel.

## Support for unborn children

Each Spring, beginning on Mother's Day and wrapping up on Father's Day, we offer an opportunity for our St. Timothy family to support local women through donations to the Crisis Pregnancy Center. Baby bottles are available once again for you to take home, fill with your loose change, and return on or before Father's Day. All money is used to support pregnant women and encouraging them to choose life for their unborn child.

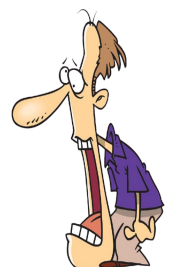


## Red Cross Blood Drive




is coming up Monday May 18<sup>th</sup> 12:00pm – 5:45pm.  
To give blood sign-up for a time online at: [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org)  
Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood.  
You alone hold the lifesaving care needed by donating.

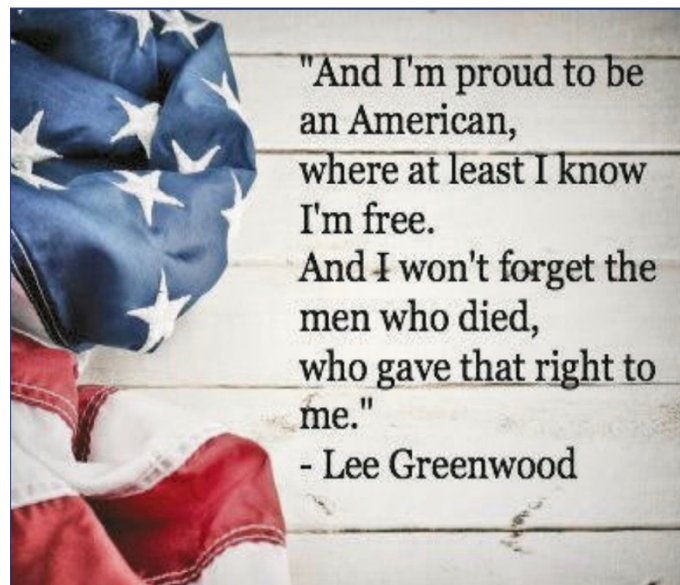
## Grow your money over 1100 % in 2 weeks!

If you are not a Thrivent member any adult can sign up to become one for only \$19.95 In return you will receive a \$250 Visa card to donate to St. Timothy or **any nonprofit**. That is over **1153% return** on your money! Forms are in the narthex or see Maggie Wheeler.





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b> 10:00am Line Dancing	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> 8:30am Worship 11:00am Worship  <b>12:30 Vision Task Force Meeting</b>	<b>4</b> 9:00am T.O.P.S.	<b>5</b> 9:00am <b>Quilting on a Mission</b> 10:00am Line Dancing <b>7:00pm Board Meeting</b>	<b>6</b> 10:00am <b>Bible Study</b> 11:15am Chapel <b>6:00pm Prayer Circle</b> 6:30pm Confirmation Class	<b>7</b>  6:00pm Women's Bible Study	<b>8</b> 10:00am Line Dancing	<b>9</b> <b>7:30am Food Truck</b>  <b>5:45pm LAST Euchre</b>
<b>10</b> 8:30am Worship 11:00am Worship  <b>Baby Bottle Drive Starts</b>	<b>11</b> 9:00am T.O.P.S. 10:00am Mission Warm-up	<b>12</b> 10:00am Line Dancing	<b>13</b> 10:00am <b>Bible Study</b> 11:15am Chapel <b>6:00pm Prayer Circle</b> 6:30pm Confirmation Class	<b>14</b>  6:00pm Women's Bible Study	<b>15</b> 10:00am Line Dancing	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 8:30am Worship 11:00am Worship	<b>18</b> 9:00am T.O.P.S.  <b>12:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive</b>	<b>19</b> 9:00am <b>Quilting on a Mission</b> 10:00am Line Dancing	<b>20</b>  6:00pm <b>Prayer Circle</b> 6:30pm Confirmation Class	<b>21</b> <b>5:00pm Retiree Dinner</b> 6:00pm Women's Bible Study	<b>22</b> 10:00am Line Dancing	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> 8:30am Worship 11:00am Worship	<b>25</b> <b>Memorial Day</b>  	<b>26</b> 10:00am Line Dancing	<b>27</b> 10:00am <b>Bible Study</b> 11:15am Chapel <b>6:00pm Prayer Circle</b> 6:30pm Confirmation Class	<b>28</b>  6:00pm Women's Bible Study	<b>29</b> 10:00am Line Dancing	<b>30</b> 
<b>31</b> 8:30am Worship 11:00am Worship						



## ❖—— Eunice Society April Meeting Minutes ——❖

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Tuttle. Opening prayer was given by Kathy and the devotion for the evening. Proverbs 27:1

**The Eunice Society Purpose:** To let us grow spiritually through Christ-praying together, studying His word, supporting missions at home and abroad, being active members of the LWML, gathering in Christian fellowship, being patient, loving, and forgiving to one another.

**Present:** Regina Berry, Paula Ex, Sharon Patton, Nancy MacKenzie, Debbie Nagayda, Bonnie Smith, Kathy Tuttle, Maggie Wheeler, Nancy Wilson.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Missions: \$ 5,292.56 General: \$469.73 Kitchen: \$8,859.41 Flowers: \$108.18

Check Book Balance : \$14,501.52

Motion by Regina, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonnie that the treasurer's report be accepted as read. Motion passed.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

A correction needed to be made in the secretary's report of Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> regarding Eunice Society paying for the ham (or other food item) for a funeral dinner. Eunice Society will pay for ham or food items only if the church is providing the funeral dinner. If not, a \$100 donation will be made to a non-profit. A correction will be made to Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> report, Bonnie made a motion that the report then be accepted, Debbie 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed.

**CORRESPONDANCE:** Thank you notes we received for Christmas donations were from Molly Cooper (care package), Feed Our Starving Children (Richfield Church of the Nazarene), Pastor EN (Christmas donation and cookies), Clare Wheeler and Tammy Jost (mother's funeral). Nancy Wilson explained that Elizabeth Moyer (our deaconess candidate) did not attend fall classes and that we should have been notified. She did attend winter and will attend spring classes so we will send the funds for those quarters. The funds for the fall quarter are also being held in her account. Nancy will check with Concordia to confirm attendance before sending money to a student we'll be sponsoring in the future.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Cookbook Project: We will be collecting recipes until May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The cabinet corners in the kitchen have been fixed.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Eunice Society will pay for two delegates to attend LWML 2026 District Convention at the Kellogg Center in East Lansing, on June 26-28. The theme is "Let His Light Shine". Registration due by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Kathy and Regina currently plan on attending.

### **LWML CROSSROADS ZONE SPRING RALLY:**

St. Timothy is hosting Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m.

**In-gathering items:** We are collecting ibuprofen, acetaminophen, low dose aspirin, adult multi-vitamins, generic Pepcid acid reflux medication and generic Claritin allergy medication. Nancy Wilson will make up the basket to hold the items.

**Food chairwomen:** Bonnie, Jean and Kathy. Breakfast is at 9:00 a.m. The buffet items are egg casseroles, French toast casserole, sausage links, sliced ham, muffins, donuts, Danish, fruit, juice and coffee (no lunch will be served).

**Decorations:** Regina is decorating with a pickle theme.

### **PROGRAM AGENDA:**

**Devotion:** Pastor EN

**Keynote speaker:** Pastor Eric Kilmer (½ hour time slot) topic is "Be a Pickle".

Motion made by Bonnie to gift him \$200, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Maggie. Motion passed.

**Guest speaker:** President of LWML Judy Sadler.

**Set up:** Noon on Friday April 17<sup>th</sup>.

**NEXT EUNICE MEETING:** June 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. with Bunco™ game and a salad potluck.

## ❖———— April Board Meeting Minutes —————❖

Dale Peterson, the elder chairman called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Pastor EN opened with prayer. The minutes of March 2026 were read with corrections. Debbie Nagayda made a motion to approve with corrections with support from Ed Berry. Motion passed.

**Present:** Dale Peterson, Pastor EN, Cheryl Smith, Paula Ex, Debbie Nagayda, Ed Berry, and Bonnie Smith.

**Absent:** Chad Carriero, Tammy Wetherwax, Brian Christensen, and Jerry Bishop. **Visitors:** none.

**Pastor EN's Report:** We received into membership Alivia Dinnan, Nicole Kirkpatrick, and Debbie Unangst. The three participated in and finished the classes for Fit for Life.

<b>Treasurer's Report – Ed Berry:</b>	March 2026	Total Offerings	\$21,165.00
		Expenses	<u>\$26,812.76</u>
		(-)	\$ 5,647.76
Checkbook Balance	\$21,982.68		
Special Funds	<u>\$ 565.94</u>		
	\$21,416.74		

**Education Director – Debbie Nagayda:** The Easter egg hunt and craft was held on April 4<sup>th</sup>, and we had 25 children attend.

**Elder Report – Dale Peterson:** God's Work Continues.

**Evangelism Report – Jerry Bishop (absent):** God's Work Continues.

**Parish Fellowship - Cheryl Smith:** We served 70 people for Easter breakfast. It was a freewill offering we collected \$355. A motion was made by Cheryl with support from Bonnie to use the money to buy two drafting chairs, an HDMI converter, and an SDI cable for the tech area. Motion was approved. Euchre for this month is April 11<sup>th</sup>. The last euchre for this season will be May 9<sup>th</sup>. We will resume in Sept. The golf outing has been postponed to late August or early September. Baby bottle fundraiser runs from Mother's Day to Father's Day. Cheryl is looking at getting tickets for the Loons game in July. This is the baseball game Bill Moritz oversaw.

**Property Report – (Brian absent, report was given by Dale):** Lights were fixed that were out. There will be a sign-up sheet out soon for those that would be interested in helping to keep our gardens weedless and pretty.

**Stewardship Report – Tammy Wetherwax (absent):** God's Work Continues.

**Youth Report – Paula Ex:** God's Work Continues.

**Special Committee Report – God's Work Continues.**

**Old Business –** There was none.

**New Business –** Franklin Avenue Mission is "Taking Jesus to the Streets" this summer. This is a 1½ hour program on Mondays at River Walk apartment complex, they are also going into a childcare facility to talk to the children. It was discussed that we might think of doing this with a childcare facility in our area. This would be something we would have to investigate and get permission from parents whose children are in the childcare facility.

**Other Business (local missions)** None currently.

Bonnie Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. with support from Debbie Nagayda. Motion was approved. Pastor EN closed with prayer. Respectfully submitted by Bonnie Smith the secretary.