

The Mission Edge

ST. TIMOTHY LUTHERAN CHURCH



"Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime."

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During the Lenten Season, it is customary to look beyond the needs of our congregation to help others. This year the Worship Committee is using the Mid-Week offering envelopes to support the Chosen People Ministries.

For over 131 years, Chosen People Ministries has Proclaimed the gospel among Jewish people all around the world and trained fellow believers to

reach their Jewish friends, family, and neighbors.

Dates of Interest:

Men's Breakfast 4/5
Palm Cross Making 4/11
Easter Egg Hunt 4/12
Passover Seder Meal 4/17
VBS 6/8-12
Mission Trip 6/22-27

We will be culminating the Lenten Mid-Week offerings by hosting a Passover Seder Meal on Maundy Thursday, April 17 at 6 p.m. Our leader for this event will be Dr. Greg Hagg from the Chosen People Ministries. He will be explaining the meaning behind traditional Seder elements of the Jewish Passover Seder. Dinner and Holy Communion will also be incorporated.

Come join us on Maundy Thursday for this Traditional Jewish Seder Meal.

PLEASE USE YOUR MID-WEEK OFFERING ENVELOPES AND MARK THEM WITH CHOSEN PEOPLE.

PALM CROSS MAKING

Please join us on Friday, April 11th from 1:30-3:30 pm to make Palm Cross pins to be distributed to members of the congregation on Palm Sunday. A signup sheet will be available on line or on the information table in the narthex.

From the Pastor's Desk



Dear Friends,

During the first quarter of this year, the Holy Spirit gathered members and friends of St. Timothy in vision meetings to pray and ask the question, "Are we really joining Jesus? Let us get together to ask the Holy Spirit to show us how!" And what a great gathering we had! Leaders and all participants thank God for

the great success of over 62+ people attending one of the vision meetings.

A few ideas were commonly expressed. Participants expressed a clear commitment that the Christian life is about offering our lives to God's Work, sharing faith in Christ and love for others. Also, a shared conviction that this world is a better place as others follow Jesus on the path of daily doing God's Mission, i.e., building faith in Christ and loving others.

One thing that stood out in the meetings was gratitude for so many people who generously give of time, talent, and resources for the mission we share at St. Timothy. It became clear that the power of Christian friendship/fellowship found at work at St. Timothy is cherished. Contentment and thanksgiving were evident for all who share life together at St. Timothy. Everyone expressed a sense of importance and urgency to not slowdown in sharing the life changing gospel of Jesus Christ in a uniquely Lutheran accent. I look forward to better understanding the paper feedback from the vision meeting and will offer a report that will guide us to prayerfully consider making plans for St. Timothy.

Following Easter on April 20, the Discipleship Task Force will review all the vision meetings and put together a three- and five-year plan for making disciples that will be submitted to the congregation hopefully in May or June for prayerful review so that we can agree on how to adjust our steps and ministry structures to reach the goals of sharing God's Word for all generations.

Please keep St. Timothy's servant leaders in your Lenten prayers. Now is the time not to give into temptation to pursue false gods, personal agendas, or media trends that take us away from the joy and peace of living the daily Christian life, following the Great Commission. Let us live in the daily joy that comes from the practice of living every day like the missionaries God has called us to become on the day we were baptized. Let the light of Christ in you shine so that others will see and glorify our father in heaven!

In Christ's Service, PK



Full Camper Tuition for Students!

St. Timothy is offering full camper tuition for the next two Summers for students of any age who wish to attend a Christian camp! Many of our students have been going to Camp Hebron. If you would like to know more about camping experiences and the scholarship for every student, please contact Pastor Keller. You can learn more about Camp Hebron here: https://www.camphebron.org.

Vacation Bible School 2025—We're going on an Epic adventure through Australia, and you're invited! We'll encounter amazing animals, lush landscapes,

stunning sea life and wonderous wilderness. And most importantly, we'll be guided by our Savior, Jesus, who tells us, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life" in our theme verse John 14:6. The adventure will be June 8-12 from 6:00-8:30pm. Registration opens May 4 on line at www.sttim.com or vbsmate.com/sttimothycamphillpa. Additionally, there will be sign-up sheets for supplies needed on the information desk in the Narthex beginning May 4.

Questions, please contact Deb Stein at 717 571-9313 or email distein50@comcast.net.

MISSION TRIP TO NORTH CAROLINA

Pastor Mark Werner of Emanuel Lutheran Church in Elmer, NJ is planning a week-long trip with volunteers to aid in the rebuilding efforts in North Carolina. This is an opportunity for volunteers from the Atlantic Mission Region to assist in the Disaster Response's continuing rebuilding efforts. Right now, we would be working in Burnsville, NC. This is subject to change as there are many mission trips occurring before our arrival. We will know more closer to the time.

Details are:

Travel from St Tim's on Sunday, June 22

Volunteers would work Monday through Friday, June 23-27

Travel home would be on Saturday, June 28

Cost: Each would be responsible for travel to and from Burnsville, NC, food for meals and any spending money; overnight accommodations will be provided at an area church, as well as a bunk trailer. There will also be a shower trailer available.

If you are interested in joining Deb Stein on this mission trip, please either let the church office know or contact Deb on her cell at 717 571 9313 or email djstein50@comcast.net by March 23. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this very worthy time spent in service to our Lord and the North Carolina community.



ST. TIM'S NEW PIANIST - INOK CHOI!

Inok will be sharing her musical talent with us as a pianist. She was born and raised in South Korea. She received her Bachelor's degree in music from Messiah University and Inok has been the piano accompanist at the Harrisburg Korean Presbyterian Church for the past 16 years. We welcomed her as she began her service to St. Tim on Sunday, March 23rd! We thank God for bringing Inok to serve with our music ministry!



St. Timothy Prayer Care & Concerns

Prayer Requests to the Congregation

Please join in prayer for the following members and friends who are in need. Many suffer long-term illness and injury. Others have urgent requests. But all are seeking the Lord for healing, restoration, strength, and stamina. Thank you for seeking the Lord on their behalf. Please remember that requests will remain on the list for 2 weeks unless an update is provided to the Team. Removed requests can always be restored by the requestee. Your requests for prayer may be submitted to the church office, Pai Swanger: 717-982-0882 for texts or pswanger56@gmail.com. Urgent prayer requests contact Amy Ewbank.

Celebrations & Thanksgiving

Eric Brown is now cancer free!

NALC Atlantic Mission Region Congregations of the Month

Annapolis Evangelical Lutheran Church, Edgewater, MD Bethany Lutheran Church, Montoursville, PA Bethel Ethiopian Fellowship, Washington, DC Canby Lutheran Church, Bloomsburg, PA

Grieving

Family & Friends of Shawn Maydek Family & Friends of Lynne Neibert

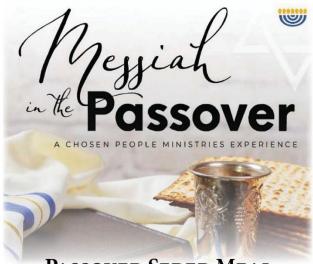
Homebound Military/1st Responders

George & Shirley Brown* Margaret Mans* LC Preston Casper SPC Aubron Swartly* Chip Custer* Bernice Markle* SFC Jonathan D. Pusztai Cpt. John Tartline Joyce Horn* Greg Slaybaugh Michael Kleindienst Phyllis Levengood* Tom Trayer* 1st Responders (Fire, Policy, EMS), Seals, Delta Force Audrey Hettrick* & all service men and women.

Care & Concern

Myretta Anderson* Ann Krammes* Valerie Marino Ell & Wendy Beckmann Jenn Mary Joan Bame Cricket Jones Kathleen Milbrand* Eileen & Rick Bullock Julie **Kevin Murphy** Jane Bruns* Judy K Eileen Janek Dona Colberg* (Recovery) Bobbi Larson* John Pusztai Dr. Kathryn Cherry Gary Larson* Janet Reinbrecht* Ross Flint* Al Leferte Terry Mascaro Lorraine Horvath Leigha Betty Semke* (Cancer treatments) Glen Bushev* Sandy Lingle* Jean Rowett Sandra Graham Ronnie Lingle Rox Shirley Turnbaugh Jasmine Lopez David Wyant* Dick Himler* Lisa Wyant* David & Debbie Malcein Pastor Sue Irons Mary (Exe. Director, CCU) Adam Urffer Anthony Marino Denny Yeingst Mary Wohler* Lori Krammes Glen Bushey* Bella Elliott* *Denotes St. Timothy member/friend Nancy Elliott

Government workers in change or loss of jobs Pastors, missionaries, & Chaplains



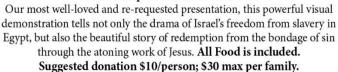
PASSOVER SEDER MEAL

April 17, 2025 (Maundy Thursday) 6:00PM

Location: St. Timothy Lutheran Church Multi-purpose Room RSVP by April 13th

To sign-up, scan the QR code or email secretary@sttim.com







Recognitions within the Congregation

Special worship musicians: Will Harmon, Jane Bruns, Beckie Brunner, Inok Choi, Nathan Kachel, Karissa Murdock, and Ron Bixler

Ash Wednesday servers and helpers from Fellowship, Property and Worship & Music committees.

Deb Stein for filling in at the office during Maria's recent sickness.

Conference Room door modified by Chuck Irvin and David Krouch by adding a small window.

Michelle Elliott for helping out in greeting and getting the Sunday counts while Jim Vogel was away.

Eric Brown for helping on Sunday as Assistant Minister for RJ Harris.

SPECIAL THANK YOU!!



Thank you to Dave and Beckie Brunner and Bill Brown for sponsoring flowers for April!

TO ALL OF ST. TIM'S WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS!

Thank you so much to all our incredible group of volunteers who give willingly of their time and support to the Church Office as well as to St. Timothy. A special thank you to my newsletter supporters who come so willingly and faithfully. And to Ann Bechard and Deb Stein who helped out tremendously while I was out with the weird bug going around! Thank you so much to everyone!

Thank You to all who attended and/or supported the Pancake Breakfast held in January with proceeds going to the Downtown Daily Bread Mission. We sent them a check in the amount of \$479.97.

Thank You to all who attended and/or supported the Virtual Tour of Africa given by RJ Harris in February with a love offering going to Kathleen Lutz (Missionary in Africa) who works with Theovision Audio Bibles. We sent a letter and check in the amount of \$427.00.



MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION **FOR APRIL**

Canned vegetables (any kind) Tuna Helper Peanut butter





APRIL BREAD MAKER

Monika Rahn



Special Thank You...the

Bulletin Sponsor for April is Michelle and Glen

Shepherding Care thoughts...table time!

"When He was at the table with them, He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized Him"

Luke 24:30-31

Kitchen, dining room, restaurant, and picnic tables have many stories they could tell. Around these tables fellowship occurs and guests are entertained. Around them family discussions are held that shape our lives. Around them we pray and hold devotions, and our lives are strengthened.

Jesus' followers knew well the joy of sitting at the table with Him. In the home of Mary and Martha, at the celebration of the Passover when our Lord's Supper was instituted, Jesus used table time to teach and help His followers, leading them closer to Him. The eyes of the Emmaus disciples were opened as Jesus took bread, gave thanks, and shared table time with them.

Think about your table time. Pray that God will use your hospitality, and the time you spend at table with family, friends, and strangers, as eye-opening experiences for them. Their eyes opened to the beauty and joy of their Savior, Jesus!

EASTER EGG MAKING

CHOCOLATE COATED EASTER EGGS continue to be sold on Sunday mornings after each service. Our LAST production day will be Sunday, April 6 from noon till 3 p.m. with a light lunch provided. Reminder that all proceeds will be going to Water Mission.



EASTER EGG HUNT

St. Timothy is having our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 12th at 10:30 am. All children from ages 2 through the 6th grade are encouraged to join us for this fun event.

After the hunt, there will be Easter crafts, cookies, and punch. We are looking for donations of candy to fill the eggs. A collection basket will be in the vestibule. If you are interested in helping with this event, please contact Deb Stein at djstein50@comcast.net or 717 571-9313. Filling the eggs will be on Friday, April 11th at 6:00 pm. Sign-up sheet will be on line or on the information table in the narthex.

Shepherding Care Keep-in-Touch Phone Gatherings

Keep-in-Touch Phone Gatherings are a quick, easy, and fun way for us at St Timothy's to stay connected through fellowship, God's Word, and prayer.

April's gatherings will occur:

- April 27th 6:30PM
- April 28th May 2nd (each day: 1:00PM and 6:30PM)

Each gathering:

- Occurs by way of a group phone call
- Comprises about 6 8 people
- Lasts about 30 minutes
- Begins with a time for fellowship/sharing
- Continues with talking about an Our Daily Bread mini-devotion
- Closes with prayer and a blessing

For a gathering, all you need to do is:

- Pick a gathering date/time you'd like to attend
- Contact Jim/Karen Vogel (717)719-9519 with your date/time selection
- On the date/time of your selected gathering, answer your phone so you can be connected into the group phone call
- Participate in the conversation as much as you wish!

Repo	Timothy Lutheran C rt Of Budget Financi r the Month of Marc	al Status	
	ACTUAL Budget Income	ACTUAL Budget Expense	POSITIVE (Negative)
Current Month	\$ 29,824	\$ 32,476	\$(2,652)
Current Year-to-Date	\$295,445	\$280,583	\$14,862
Prior Year-to-Date Results	\$273,166	\$278,459	\$(5,293)
NALC Benevolence Year to Date	\$6,796.59		
Atlantic Mission Region	\$4,548.10		
2020 Vision Appeal	\$3,490.00		



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Preschool Events Happening This Month:

<u>Preschool Desert Unit</u> - During the month of April, the preschool will have a school-wide unit of study. This year our theme will be the desert. All the classes will learn facts about life in the desert, make art projects depicting desert creatures, and sing desert songs. As the month of April progresses, you will see our school transform into a big sandy desert!

<u>Tykes on Trikes</u> – On Tuesday, April 28th from 9:30-11:00 a.m., the preschool children will be bringing their tricycles, Big Wheels, and scooters to school to participate in our ninth annual Tykes on Trikes, a Trike-a-Thon fundraiser (similar to a Race for Education, just on tricycles, Big Wheels or scooters)! Children who raised a minimum of \$20 in pledges will receive a T-shirt. Tykes on Trikes will be held on the bike course in the back parking lot, and parents, family members and members of the church are welcome to come and cheer on the kids!

Registration for Next Year - Please let your family and friends know that we still have openings for the 2025-26 school year in our 2 ½-year-old, 3-year-old, and 4-year-old classes. Please call Becky Tartline at 717-418-0676 for more information. Thank you!



LENTEN MORNING PRAYER

11:30 am every Wednesday March 12th - April 9th



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Men's Breakfast will be held on the first Saturday of the month at 8:30 am at the Peppermill Diner.

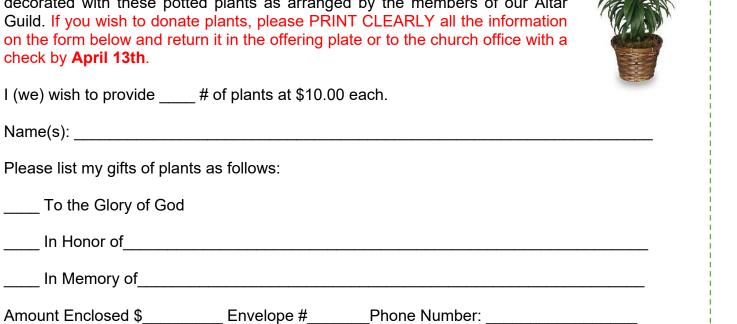
Next breakfast is April 5th. **1st timers eat FREE**

ORDER YOUR EASTER FLOWERS NOW!

Please list my gifts of plants as follows:

____ To the Glory of God

To celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, St. Timothy's worship space bursts forth with the beauty of spring flowers. The worship area will be decorated with these potted plants as arranged by the members of our Altar Guild. If you wish to donate plants, please PRINT CLEARLY all the information on the form below and return it in the offering plate or to the church office with a check by April 13th.





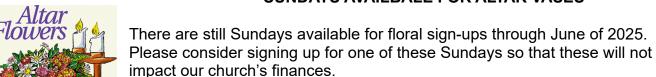
Just a Reminder!

Please bring in your Heifer Bank or count your loose change and write a check in the amount of the donation in the bank. Great

math project to count the change collected.

Please return your bank or envelope by April 20, 2025

Place your envelopes in the Offering Plate or your bank in a basket located by the Ark.



SUNDAYS AVAILBALE FOR ALTAR VASES

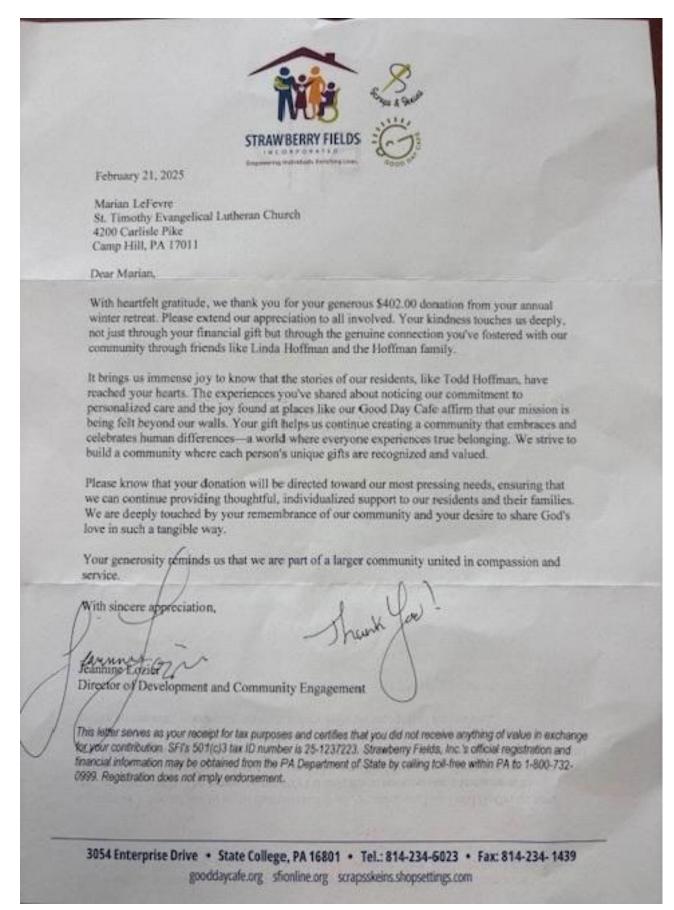


MAY 18, 25: 2 VASES each Sunday 2 VASES each Sunday JUNE 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29:

The altar flowers are to be a self-funding item in the budget. Every little bit helps to keep the general funds solvent for items earmarked within the operating budget.

Thanks for helping The Worship Committee

Thank you letter from a free will offering during the Women's Retreat.





April 2025 Worship Assistants

8:00 a.m. Service (*Traditional Service)

Date	April 6	*April 13	*April 20	April 27
Assisting Minister	Al Kerchner	Glen Elliott	Greg Kincaid	Chappy Wagoner
Lector	Michelle Elliott	Christine & John Brye	Pai Swanger	Kevin Kincaid
Ushers	Elliott Family	Tom & Cindy Kachel	Gary Larson Mel Strait	Rich Lepley Nancy Frankenfield
Greeters	Shannon Kincaid	Ross Flint Gary Bender	Bobbi Larson	
Palm Crosses		Nancy Frankenfield		
Acolytes			Chappy Wagoner	

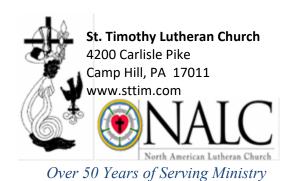
10:30 a.m. Service

Date	April 6	*April 13	*April 20	April 27
Assisting Minister	Jennifer Conrad	R.J. Harris	Laura Hoover	Russ Urffer
Lector	Micah Keller	Eli Fesler	Lisa Wyant	Eric Brown
Ushers	Charles Boyle	Bill Brown	Deb Stein	Ken Black
	Dick Himler	Chuck Irvin	Roger Williams	Jerry Bruns
Greeters	Dee Titus	Pat Douty	Ann Krammes	Irvin Family
Palm		Jennifer Conrad		
Crosses		Pat Douty		
Acolytes	James Hoover	Ella Bechard James Hoover		Ella Bechard
Alter Guild	Dee Titus	Pat Douty	Mindy Fesler Arlene Young	Carolyn Irvin Dona Colberg Dawn Urffer

If unexpected conflicts arise, please trade with each other.

APRIL 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAYS	CLOSED FRIDAYS			
		1 9:30 Fellowship Comm. (Rm 5) 1:00 Prayer Ministry Team (YR) 4:00 Exec. Comm. (Library) 6:30 Spiritual 1st Aid Trng (YR)	2 10:00 Small Lenten Group (YR) 11:30 Morning Prayer 5:30 Soup/Bread 6:00 Small Lenten Group (Lounge)	3 9:30 Pericope (3/4/5) 1:15 Small Lenten Group (Carlisle) 6:15 Lenten Study (YR) 7:00 Choir Practice	4	5 8:30 Men's Breakfast- Peppermill
6 5th Sunday in Lent 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School (all ages) 9:15 Small Lenton Group (3/4/5) 10:30 Worship	7 6 Mutual Ministry (YR) 7 Boy Scouts (3/4/5)	8 6:30 Spiritual 1st Aid Trng (YR) 7:00 Church Council (3/4/5)	9 10 Small Lenten Group (YR) 11:30 Morning Prayer 5:30 Soup/Bread 6:00 Small Lenten Group (Lounge)	10 7:00 Choir Practice	1:30 Palm Cross Making 6:00 Filling Easter Eggs (MPR)	12 10:30 Easter Egg Hunt
13 Palm Sunday Sunday of Passion 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Small Lenten Group (3:4/5) 10:30 Worship 12:00 Egg Making/Lunch (MPR) 7:00 Worship @ Bethesda	14 1:00 Prayer Shawl (Lounge) 6:30 St. Tim's @ Carlisle- BS 6:30 Hearts & Hands (Lounge) 7 Boy Scouts (3/4/5)	15 1:00 Prayer Ministry Team (YR)	16 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 11:30 Servant Leaders' Mtg. (3/4/5)	9:30 Morning Prayer 6:00 Messiah in Passover (MPR) Seder Meal/Worship	Good Friday Holiday 7:00 Tenebrae Service	19 9:00 Annual Spring Clean- up 9:30 Easter set-up (Alter Guild)
20 Easter Sunrise Resurrection of Our Lord 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School (all ages) 10:30 Worship	Easter Monday Holiday Office Closed 7 Boy Scouts (3/4/5)	22	23 9:00 Preschool Teachers Conf (Lounge) 12:00 Worship Committee (Library)	24 7:00 Choir Practice	25 6:00 Family Friday (MPR)	26
27 2 nd Sunday after Easter 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship	28 1:00 Prayer Shawl Committee (Lounge) 6:30 St. Tim's @ Carlisle-BS 6:30 Hearts & Hands (Lounge) 7 Boy Scouts (3/4/5)	9:30 Tikes on Trikes (Preschool)	30			



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St. Timothy Lutheran Church

Children ages 2 through the 6th grade.

After the hunt, there will be Easter crafts, cookies, and punch.

No sign-up necessary!

Palm Sunday Services
April 13th at 8AM and 10;30AM

Passover Seder Meal
April 17th (Maundy Thursday) 6PM
Location: St. Timothy MPR
A Chosen People Ministries presentation. Meal is provided.
For more information and to sign-up please scan the QR code.
Please RSVP by 4/13.

Good Friday & Easter Sunday Services
Good Friday April 18th - Tenebrae Service 7PM
Easter Sunday April 20th - 8AM & 10:30AM Service

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ST. TIMOTHY MISSION STATEMENT

We the baptized, responding in our faith created and sustained by the Holy Spirit in Word and Sacraments, commit ourselves to following Jesus Christ, making disciples, and proclaiming His salvation by the grace of God through faith alone.