

**ST. TIMOTHY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
CHURCH MOUSE  
2024**



**Sunday, June 2, 2024**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
Worship in Church or Drive In With Communion 10:00 am  
Pastor Ivy Gauvin

**Sunday, June 9, 2024**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
Worship in Church or Drive In 10:00 am  
Pastor Ivy Gauvin

**Sunday, June 16, 2024**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
Worship in Church or Drive In With Communion 10:00 am  
Pastor Ivy Gauvin

**Sunday, June 23, 2024**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
Worship in Church or Drive In 10:00 am  
Pastor Ivy Gauvin

**Sunday, June 30, 2024**  
**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
Worship in Church or Drive In 10:00 am  
Pastor Ivy Gauvin



***Join us for indoor worship or in the church parking lot  
for the Drive In service***

## **PASTOR'S PONDERING- By Pastor Ivy**

May was a very exciting month, which began with a baptism, followed by the feast of Pentecost and the Holy Trinity. Ray and I were away early in the month for the 100th anniversary of the founding of [Elim Bible Institute and College](#), from which I graduated in 1976. This was a time of seeing classmates and friends from long ago, as well as a time of renewal. I felt like I got a booster shot of the Holy Spirit.

This month is also very exciting, but in a different way. We are entering the season of the church year with green paraments, sometimes referred to as ordinary time. As one author explains:

Ordinary Time is called “ordinary” not because it is not special or less significant but simply because the weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered...the numbered weeks of Ordinary Time, in fact, represent the ordered life of the Church—the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) or in more severe penance (as in Advent and Lent). (Jeff Cavins, [media.ascensionpress.com](#)).

It is a time to relax, but not so much that we forget who we are in Christ and the family of God. Speaking of which, would you like to join us in trying out our new big-screen TV in the fellowship hall? We'll be viewing “Jesus Revolution.” More information about this can be found in another part of the Church Mouse.

Ray and I will be away at our annual Synod Assembly, in Syracuse, from the afternoon of Sunday, June 2-Tuesday, June 4. Please keep everyone in prayer as we do the work together of Christ's church.

On that note, may this year's ordinary time be extraordinary.

*Draw your church together, O God, into one great company of disciples, together following our teacher Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving in Christ's mission to the world, and together witnessing to your love wherever you will send us; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Evangelical Lutheran Worship)*

## **St. Timothy Church Council**

President– Kristie Bloomquist

Vice President - Marty Hunt

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Kathy Carlson      Bob Pecuch

Linda Milks      Pastor Ivy Gauvin

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*Do you have questions or ideas for Council? Feel free to share them with any council member or write them down and leave in the office.*

## **MAY 2024- COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS**

- Great news – we received a \$4,000 grant from Chautauqua Community Foundation to help pay for a new tankless water heater / boiler for the parsonage.
- The weather cooperated for our Spring Work Day on May 11<sup>th</sup>. We appreciate all the people came to help. Thank you!
- More good news – we received enough donations to totally pay for 2 new Amplifiers for the church and all the installation costs.
- Plans are being made for a Summer Brunch with breakfast casseroles. We will let you know when – soon.

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## **ELCA Advocacy: Increase policy pressure for an immediate, permanent cease-fire**

The devastating loss of life in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territories has shaken our church and its members. ELCA Advocacy Action Alerts make it easy to contact your elected officials. Use these alerts to call for a cease-fire, end military arms transfers to Israel while Israel violates the terms of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and support continued humanitarian aid to Gazans. Take action at [ELCA.org/advocacy/actioncenter](https://www.elca.org/advocacy/actioncenter).

### **ONLINE GIVING at St. Timothy for Debit/Credit cards**

*Three ways to give:*

- Go directly to our website at [www.sttimothybemus.com](http://www.sttimothybemus.com).
  - Use our QR code with the QR reader on your smartphone.
  - Download the app 'GivePlus Church'. Create an account.
- For further information, see Kathy Carlson on Sundays or call her at 485-1316.*





**5 Loaves & 2 Fish Backpack Ministry**

We continuously collect food items for the 5 & 2 Ministry. Bring your donations and place in the black bin in church narthex. Lists detailing items needed are also available in the narthex. Monetary donations welcome! Contact Gale-Svenson-Campbell for details [gales1949@gmail.com](mailto:gales1949@gmail.com)



**Prayer Requests:** Ann Saar, Kay Marker Magneson, Roy Pihl, George Balcom, Thom Shagla, Lois Rumpfelt, Father/Pastor Richard Elberfeld, Nick Johnson, Eileen Beichner, Tom Dellapenta, Pastor Karen Larson, Pastor Gerry Zimmerman (Bethel, Portville and Shepherd of the Valley, Wellsville), James Dieter, Joe Gauvin, Emerson Allaby, John Gingrass, those serving in the military and law enforcement and their families, including Sean Pecuch, and Ben Wickerham, those caught up in violence and war who have no safe home in which to live.



## MONTHLY READINGS

### June 2, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

#### Readings and Psalm

[Deuteronomy 5:12-15](#)

*The commandment regarding the sabbath*

[Psalm 81:1-10](#)

Raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob. (Ps. 81:1)

[2 Corinthians 4:5-12](#)

*Treasure in clay jars*

[Mark 2:23—3:6](#)

*Doing the work of God on the sabbath*

### June 9, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

#### Readings and Psalm

[Genesis 3:8-15](#)

*God confronts Adam and Eve in the garden*

[Psalm 130](#)

Wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love. (Ps. 130:7)

[2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1](#)

*Renewed in the inner nature*

[Mark 3:20-35](#)

*Doing the work of God as brothers and sisters of Christ*

### June 16, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

#### Readings and Psalm

[Ezekiel 17:22-24](#)

*The sign of the cedar, planted on the mountain of Israel*

[Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15](#)

The righteous shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon. (Ps. 92:12)

[2 Corinthians 5:6-10 \[11-13\] 14-17](#)

*In Christ, a new creation*

[Mark 4:26-34](#)

*The parable of the mustard seed*

### June 23, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

#### Readings and Psalm

[Job 38:1-11](#)

*The creator of earth and sea*

[Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32](#)

You stilled the storm and silenced the waves of the sea. (Ps. 107:29)

[2 Corinthians 6:1-13](#)

*Paul's defense of his ministry*

[Mark 4:35-41](#)

*Christ calming the sea*

**June 30, 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Readings and Psalm**

[Lamentations 3:22-33](#)

*Great is the LORD's faithfulness*

[Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24](#) (alternate)

*God created humankind for immortality*

[Psalm 30](#)

I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up. (*Ps. 30:1*)

[2 Corinthians 8:7-15](#)

*Excel in generosity, following the Lord Jesus*

[Mark 5:21-43](#)

*Christ healing a woman and Jairus's daughter*

## Friday Night at the Movies

We are going to take advantage of our new big-screen TV to have a monthly movie night. The first movie is "Jesus Revolution," a true story of God moving in the lives of hippies in Southern California. This led to the Jesus Movement. Join us on Friday, June 14 at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall.



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

9 Devin Raynor

19 Payton Daniels

11 Allen Peterson

22 Marcy Saar

18 Rachel McKillip

23 Michael Saar

Join [Diana Butler Bass](#) and [Robert Jones](#) for a June online class as we approach the election!



*God is not an American, Jesus loved his enemies, and the Spirit continues to speak life into and beyond the church.*

Our contemporary public square is increasingly chaotic, toxic, and repulsive. Yet, our challenges as a people, nation, and species are growing. The rise of Christian Nationalism repulses a growing number of Christians who have a hard time thinking and speaking from a more vibrant theological vision.

In *Faith & Politics for the Rest of Us*, **Dr. Diana Butler Bass**, **Dr. Tripp Fuller**, and **Tim Whitaker** are bringing together a number of alternative theo-political visions to introduce a multiplicity of vibrant, yet neglected traditions in public theology. With the help of some of the most powerful voices in the academy, participants will be introduced to these traditions and get to put them into action as we wrestle with our present moment, discovering the potential for an alternative public Christian witness.

- **DONATION-BASED** - Support the class with a donation as little as \$0.

- **ASYNCHRONOUS 100% ONLINE** - You can participate fully without being present at any specific time, but we'd love to have you join us for the June livestreams (dates below). As always, replays are available!



5&2  
 >>> MINISTRY <<<  
 Fighting Childhood Hunger One Child at a Time

**8th ANNUAL  
 GOLF SCRAMBLE**

**Saturday Sept 7, 2024**  
 8:15am Registration, 9am Shotgun Start

Chautauqua Golf Club, Lake Course  
 4731 W Lake Rd, Chautauqua, NY 14722

**100.00 PER PLAYER - \$400 PER TEAM**  
*Includes Golf, Cart, Prizes, Snacks & Drinks on Course, and lunch after golf.*

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**PROCEEDS BENEFIT 5&2 MINISTRY**  
*5&2 Ministry supplies bags of nutritious food to children during the school year to fight childhood hunger in Chautauqua County. Children are our future. When we change one child's life, we change the world. Help us fight childhood hunger in our community one child at a time.*

Send sponsor logo and information by August 15, 2024 to:  
 Andy@ipley-machine.com or 5and2ministry@gmail.com or  
 5&2 Ministry, PO Box 152, Clymer, NY 14724.  
 Please make checks payable to 5&2 Ministry.

Sponsorship opportunities still exist!  
 Contact Andy Reinwald at 814-882-1042 or  
 andy@ipley-machine.com for  
 more details or to register!





  
 Thank  
 you  




Thank you so much for the beautiful flower for  
 Mother's Day and for the kindness that you show me everyday!  
 Marge

Thank you all so  
 much for thinking of  
 me and the beautiful  
 flowers and the special  
 pot that you all took  
 the time to decorate.  
 Very special Mother's  
 day gift.

You certainly know  
 how to make a person  
 feel special!

Sandy

Thank  
 you



Thank you so much for the  
 lovely spring blanket! It  
 is beautiful and cozy. I miss  
 you all so much and hope some-  
 day I can join you in your  
 beautiful music! I miss  
 you all so much!  
 God bless you all!  
 Much love, Ann



**\*\*\* Plastic cap and lid collection.** We have offered to help Love School collect plastic lids, container tops and pill bottles for a Buddy Bench designed by the students. Please review the insert for what is acceptable and join in the effort to help out the students. A container will be available in the Narthex and also in the entryway marked BUDDY BENCH PROJECT. Thank you!

### Love Elementary School Buddy Bench Project

**✓ Acceptable Caps ✓** *Any plastic cap with recycle numbers ♻️ ♻️ ♻️ (2, 4, or 5)*

Medicine bottle caps	Milk jug/Creamer caps	Detergent caps
Hair spray caps	Toothpaste caps	Deodorant caps
Spice & Condiment caps	Drink bottle caps-all sizes	Flip-top caps
Spout caps	Spray paint caps	Ointment tube caps
Baby food/Applesauce caps	Shampoo/conditioner caps	Marker/Sharpie caps


**✓ Acceptable Lids ✓** *- 8 inches or smaller. Any plastic lid with recycle numbers ♻️ ♻️ ♻️ (2, 4, or 5)*

Take out food lids	Feta/Parmesan lids	Drink mix container lids
Ice cream bucket lids	Cool Whip lids	Pringles lids
Yogurt & Icing lids	Coffee can lids	Butter/margarine lids
Peanut butter lids	Mayonnaise lids	Pill bottles with labels removed
Fast food drink lids (PP-5 accepted)		Solid 6-pack can holders
Cottage cheese/Cream Cheese/Sour Cream lids		

**✗ NOT Acceptable Items ✗**

Trash \* Paper \* Cardboard \* Metal \* Drink bottles \* Plastic bags \* Plastic pumps \* Trigger sprayers \* K-cups  
 Food containers \* Straws \* Plastic toys \* Medical supplies \* Caps or lids with recycle numbers 1, 3, 6, or 7

# ST. TIMOTHY LUTHERAN CHURCH JUNE 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2  10:00 am Worship w/Communion	3  Synod Assembly  Dog Lessons Graduation	4  Synod Assembly	5	6  Tai Chi 9:30 am & 12pm Choir 5pm	7	8
9  10:00 am Worship  Devin Raynor	10	11  Allen Peterson	12	13  Tai Chi 9:30am & 12pm	14  Movie Night 6 pm	15
16  10:00 am Worship w/Communion  	17	18  Rachel McKillip	19   Payton Daniels	20  Tai Chi 9:30am & 12pm	21	22  Marcy Saar
23  10:00 am Worship Church Council Michael Saar  ----- 30 10:00 am Worship w/healing Cassarole Breakfast	24	25	26	27  Tai Chi 9:30am & 12pm	28	29

**JUNE 2024**  
**WORSHIP AND SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**  
**AT ST. TIMOTHY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

	JUNE 2	JUNE 9	JUNE 16	JUNE 23	JUNE 30
Assistant Liturgist	Ann Bentley	Kristie Bloomquist	Mary Lou Krott	Tammy Haas	Trish Pecuch
Ushers/Greeters	Marty Hunt Ginnie Sloan	Linda Milks Marty Hunt	Linda Milks Ginnie Sloan	Ginnie Sloan Marty Hunt	Marty Hunt Linda Milks

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and affirm God's grace through the sacrament of Communion, and bless each other to do God's work in the world.

**27** Our need for food and nourishment never ends. Pray for community meals, food pantries and food truck ministries that relieve hunger and feed our spirits.

**28** Ask God to stir our generosity in response to Generation Zero-Hunger, a youth-driven fundraising challenge to support the programs of ELCA World Hunger.

**29** Give thanks that our church organizes its global ministry and service around the theology and practice of accompaniment, walking together with Lutheran, ecumenical and interfaith siblings worldwide. Pray for our mutual relationships with global companions and promise to respond to changing needs as we do God's work in the world.

**30** Remember in prayer youth attending the Lutheran Summer Music academy at Valparaiso University, an opportunity for young people to live in a faith community, develop their musical skills and contemplate future careers and vocations.

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*These petitions are offered as guides to prayer for the global, social and outreach ministries of the ELCA, as well as for the needs and circumstances of our neighbors, communities and world. Thank you for your continued prayers for the life and mission of this church.*

**1** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Eastern North Dakota, Metropolitan Chicago, Metropolitan Washington (D.C.), Nebraska, Northeastern Ohio, Northwestern Ohio, Oregon, and West Virginia-Western Maryland synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

**2** Thank God for the gift of the sabbath, which offers physical, mental, spiritual and emotional renewal. Pray that we will honor our sabbath opportunities and help others find times and places to rest and to attend to their own well-being.

**3** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assembly of the Upstate New York Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

**4** *LGBTQ Pride Month* Give thanks for the gifts, wisdom, leadership and faith of our LGBTQIA+ neighbors and siblings in Christ. Ask the Spirit to embolden us in advocating for social, institutional and legislative change that reflects justice, total inclusion and God's boundless love for humanity in all its diversity.

**5** "I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works" (Psalm 139:14). Turn to our Creator in prayer for comfort and confidence when you experience self-doubt or feel inadequate.

**6** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Central States, Central/Southern Illinois and New England synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

**7** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Caribbean Synod, Delaware-Maryland Synod, Indiana-Kentucky Synod, La Crosse Area Synod, Northwest Synod of Wisconsin, Sierra Pacific Synod and Southwestern

Minnesota Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

**8** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Northeastern Pennsylvania and South Carolina synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

**9** Give thanks and praise to God, whose power prevails over all evil and vanquishes darkness that can overshadow and frighten us.

**10** Pray for Lutheran outdoor ministry leaders and staff as they prepare to welcome campers of all ages, backgrounds and abilities to faith-enriching summer camps, day camps, service experiences, wilderness trips and retreats.

**11** Ask God to bless summer ministries, including day camps, community meals and vacation Bible schools, that they might impact our communities, deepen faith, introduce people of all ages to the gospel and care for the needs of our neighbors.

**12** What do you fear? Share your worries with God, who is present, loving and attentive even when we feel helpless and alone.

**13** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assembly of the Grand Canyon Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

**14** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Northern Illinois, Northwestern Pennsylvania, Southwestern Pennsylvania and Upper Susquehanna synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

**15** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assembly of the Allegheny Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

**16** *Father's Day* Pray that biological fathers, stepfathers, adoptive fathers and foster fathers will experience the daily joys of fatherhood and find support and wisdom for the challenges of parenting, passing along their faith, teaching compassion and respect, and encouraging and guiding their children.

**17** Pray for peace, reconciliation and healing in countries and regions torn by conflict and violence, including Sudan, Haiti, Ukraine, Russia, Israel, Gaza and indeed the

entire Middle East. Ask the Spirit to be with those who suffer loss, trauma, hunger and displacement and that we will bring support, hope and love wherever there is suffering and turmoil.

**18** Remember in prayer those employed in seasonal jobs and ask the Spirit to help us express our hospitality, respect and heartfelt gratitude for their service.

**19** *Juneteenth* Today we commemorate June 19, 1865, when the last enslaved Africans were emancipated in the United States. We lament our nation's history of slavery, give thanks for freedom and justice, and pray for an end to racism and racial inequity.

**20** Pray for community garden programs and volunteer gardeners as they recognize and serve the needs of our neighbors who live with poverty and hunger. Give thanks for our work together through ELCA World Hunger to address the root causes of hunger and poverty here and around the world.

**21** Pray for the Spirit to inspire us and grant us wisdom in this time of study, reflection and deliberation that will guide the development of a new ELCA social statement on civic life and faith and the relationship of church and state.

**22** Ask God to grant hope, stamina and healing to those recovering from the devastation left by tornadoes and severe storms across our country. Give thanks for our work together through Lutheran Disaster Response to provide relief and assistance to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and worldwide.

**23** "Waking up, [Jesus] rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Be silent! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to [the disciples], 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' And they were filled with great fear" (Mark 4:39-41). Pray for the Spirit to strengthen our trust in God in the face of every challenge and situation that tests our faith.

**24** Pray for youth, adults and congregations preparing for the ELCA Youth Gathering, the tAble (for young people with disabilities), the Multicultural Youth Leadership Event (MYLE) and the Young Adult Gathering. Pray that their lives and faith will be enriched and inspired through worship, interactive learning, Bible study, service and fellowship with Lutheran youth gathered from around the country.

**25** Remember in prayer senior adults and those who suffer illnesses and conditions vulnerable to summer heat. Give thanks for community cooling centers, those who perform wellness checks, and first responders.

**26** "Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind. Let them extol him in the congregation of the people and praise him in the assembly of the elders" (Psalm 107:31-32). Give thanks for the Spirit gathering us in worship to praise God, reflect on the word of God, profess our faith, receive