



St. Timothy Lutheran Church
Houston, Texas



Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost

November 19th, 2017

Steve Henze, Brad Jurischk, Pastors

Jonathan Goeke, Community of Hope Mission Pastor

Order of Worship



New Sermon Series: Generous Living ~ Generosity is a gift that God gives to us so that we can give to others. He blesses us so that we can be a blessing. As we seek to follow Jesus and make a difference, we will be looking at how we can live a generous life, utilizing the gifts God gives to us to make a difference.

~ TRADITIONS 8:00 A.M. ~

Welcome

Call to Worship

"Come Thou Fount"

**Invocation and Confession
Assurance of Forgiveness**

"I Love To Tell The Story"

A Time of Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Reading ~ 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Gospel Reading ~ Luke 12:31-21

The Nicene Creed

The Offering

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Children's Church

The Message

"Generous Giving"

Pastor Steve Henze

Hymn of Preparation

"Create In Me"

Words of Jesus Concerning Holy Communion

"Lamb of God"

"Just As I Am"

"Blessed Assurance"

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Blessing

Closing Hymn

"Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

~ CELEBRATIONS 10:45 A.M. ~

Call to Worship

"Lay Me Down"

Welcome

"Everlasting God"

**Invocation and Confession
Assurance of Forgiveness**

"Jesus Messiah"

A Time of Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Reading ~ 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Gospel Reading ~ Luke 12:13-21

The Offering

"There Is Power"

Children's Church

The Message

"Generous Giving"

Pastor Steve Henze

Words of Jesus Concerning Holy Communion

"Come As You Are"

"Your Grace Is Enough"

"Indescribable"

"O Come To The Altar"

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Blessing and Closing Song



Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by:
Alex and Ann Dulevitz in celebration of their grandson, Jack's, birthday!

Welcome

Welcome in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We pray this service will be a joyful, uplifting celebration of faith for you as you are strengthened through His Holy Word and Sacraments.

Our Guests: Welcome! We are so glad you have come! Please register your visit with us on a Welcome card. To learn more about St. Timothy, go to our website at STLHouston.org or join us for the Discover St. Timothy class. *You are always welcome here!*

Nursery: Nursery Care is available directly across from the Sanctuary for infants and toddlers up to 3 yrs old any time before or during the services. There is a special time of play and learning for children 2 1/2 through Pre-K in Kid's Spot or Children's Ministry Building during our church services where you may bring your child instead of the nursery.



Public WIFI access Password: **Jesuslovesme**



Hearing devices are available at the Welcome Desk every Sunday.

Holy Communion: As Lutheran Christians, we practice "close communion" which means as you come to the Lord's Supper you affirm that Jesus is your Savior and Lord, and with Lutheran Christians you believe His Body and Blood are truly present "in, with, and under" the bread and wine and you desire to serve Him faithfully in the fellowship of the church.



1. I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my personal Savior, and I am baptized.
2. I believe that I am a sinful human being who needs God's mercy in Jesus Christ.
3. I personally confess my sins to God and ask for His forgiveness.
4. I believe that Christ is present in this Sacrament and through His Body and Blood,
He forgives all my sins and remembers them no more.
5. I ask for the power of the Holy Spirit to live a God-pleasing life

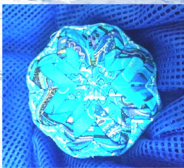
December Neighborhood Workshop

You are invited to a **"Make It and Take It" Christmas decoration workshop** taught by St. Timothy member, Peggy Wickman! You have your choice of 2 to choose from:
a QUILTED ORNAMENT BALL or a LIGHTED CHRISTMAS BOX.

Each is \$10, so if you want to make both, please indicate that when you register and pay online at www.stlhouston.org. All supplies are provided but you are asked to bring your own scissors suitable for cutting fabric.

We are limiting class size to 20 for each project.

Workshop will take place **Saturday, December 2 at 9 AM,**
in the Adult Ed Building, room 102/103.



Announcements



Thanksgiving Eve Service with Holy Communion this Wednesday, November 22, at 7:00 PM

On **Saturday, December 2nd**, under the direction of the Altar Guild, we will **DECORATE** the Sanctuary, Gathering Area, Life Center, and other areas of the campus **for Christmas**. Any and all help is needed and appreciated. We will begin at **8:00 am** and **plan to be finished by 2 pm**. If you can help for a little while or the whole time, just come on by. Questions, call the church office, 281-469-2457.

LINC Toys for Joy Drive Sharing toys with children at Christmas opens up opportunities to tell them about our **GREATEST GIFT FROM GOD... JESUS**, our SAVIOR. The tree will be **ready with gift tags in the Gathering Area on November 26th** and wrapped toys are **due by December 10th**.
Thank you for your donations!
NAM Toy bags are also at the Welcome Desk!



The Annual Voters' Assembly Meeting will be held December 10th right after the 10:45 services.

Tree of Remembrance Service

This service that remembers our loved ones will be held on **December 10th**. If you would like to purchase an ornament in remembrance of someone you have lost, stop by the table in the Gathering Area. Each ornament is \$15.00.

Many thanks to the 43 possible donors and 37 donors who were able to successfully give the Gift of Life last Sunday. 13 of those donors generously made automated donations which upped our total units of blood product to 50 - enhancing the lives of up to 150 people! We also had a first-time teen-aged donor who is to be congratulated! **Save the date: January 14, 2018** for the next blood drive.

Youth Ministry

Order your tamales today!

Youth TAMALE Sales

taking orders **TODAY - Dec. 10**

\$12/dozen - will be delivered Dec. 17

See the youth table in the gathering area to place your order.

Confirmation for **6th-8th graders** continues on **Wednesdays** through December at 6:30-7 PM



For more information on Youth Ministry events contact Dan Parker at Dan@STLHouston.org

Children's Ministry

Children's Church 8:00 AM Service: Children 2 ½ years old through 1st grade will participate in a time of learning especially for them during the pastors Message, and will return after the Message.

Children's Church 10:45 AM Service: Children ages 2 ½ to 4 yrs old are invited to Room 7 in the Children's Ministry Building anytime during the service. Please sign them in and pick them up at the end of the service. Children of parents who wish to keep them at the beginning of the service are dismissed for Children's Church during the Message.

Children in Pre-K though 1st grade attend Children's Church in the Children's Ministry "Big Room" during the 10:45 service. These children will return after the Message.

SUNDAY SCHOOL in the Children's Ministry Building at 9:30 AM



Sunday School is a journey into the incredible TRUE story of God's love for US! Kids ages 2 years – 5th grade will experience the same story for four weeks; each class will learn in a unique way about the life of **Abraham**. We will play, create, sing, and learn in the Children's Ministry Building from 9:30 - 10:30 AM.

For more information on Children's Ministry events contact Caroline Gray at Caroline@STLHouston.org

Advent by Candlelight

Advent By Candlelight - Monday, December 4th at 5:30-9:00 PM

Please join the women of St. Timothy for the seventh annual Advent by Candlelight! This event is an opportunity for women to take a moment before the hustle and bustle of holiday preparation and focus on the true meaning of Christmas.

Advent by Candlelight provides a wonderful atmosphere for the ladies to enjoy an appetizer hour, worship and music, and dinner by candlelight. Ladies, we encourage you to invite friends, family, and neighbors to this special night! Please note the following:

Important dates: Sundays in November in the gathering area
Sign-ups for Table Hostesses, Servers (men only!), and Kitchen Helpers are available
Registration is available - \$15/ticket

Special Requests: We are looking for several ladies to decorate tables for "open seating"
If you are interested, please contact us!

Event Contacts:

Korinne Krolow: Krolow@sbcglobal.net / 832.326.5566
Wendy McManners: WendyaMcManners@gmail.com / 832.444.4728

Advent by
CANDLELIGHT



Men...Can you help? Even though **Advent by Candlelight** is a ministry for the ladies of St. Timothy, the men can still join in on the fun!! We are looking for men to be a part of the kitchen staff as well as servers to the women on this special night. If you are interested or if you have any questions, please contact Korinne Krolow or Wendy McManners. See contact info above.

Grief Share

Missing loved ones during the holidays

Wondering how you will survive the weeks surrounding Thanksgiving and Christmas? Are you dreading these holidays, knowing that everything has changed and that happy memories from past years can't be recreated? Our Surviving the Holidays seminar is especially for people who are grieving a loved one's death. You'll learn:

- How to deal with the many emotions you'll face during the holidays
- What to do about traditions and other coming changes
- How to discover hope for your future
- Helpful tips for surviving social events

You are invited to attend one of the two seminars offered at St. Timothy on Tuesday, November 28 or Tuesday, December 5 from 6:30-8:30 PM. Both seminars are held in the Adult Education building, Room 104, facilitated by Judy Box. If you know of someone who might benefit from this resource, please share the information.

Music Ministry

Please join us for our Christmas Festival Service, "A Thrill of Hope" on December 17th in both worship services

We are preparing for our Christmas Festival Service, "A Thrill of Hope" in our choir rehearsals, as well as music for Christmas Eve. If you've thought about singing with the choir, please consider joining us for November and December! Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 8-9 PM. We'd love to have your voice joining us in worshipping our newborn King!



Do you play a wind or a string instrument? or know someone who does?

E-mail or talk to Craig Harmann (Craig@STLHouston.org) for more information about an opportunity to play on Christmas Eve at our 10 AM worship service!

Family Advent Activities

During the season of Advent, one of the staples of worship at St. Timothy is our Wednesday Advent worship services at 11:30 AM and 7:00 PM. As we continue to use this time in 2017 to prepare for the coming of our Savior Jesus Christ, we also want to creatively reach our community as we seek to Follow Jesus and Make a Difference. We will still have worship services on the three Wednesdays of Advent, but we will incorporate some exciting new activities!

We hope you will join us for:

December 6 - Acts of Service: At both services we will gather for a time of worship and prayer. After worship, we will put together Christmas packages for the homeless and Christmas "thank you" bags for the teachers at Hancock Elementary school.

December 13 - Preschool Ministry: At both services the Bright Beginners children will be performing their Christmas program and telling the story of Christmas through song and scripture.

December 20 - Preparing our Hearts: At both services we will have a time of lessons and carols, hearing the Christmas account and singing some of our all-time favorite Christmas songs.

Weekly Calendar of Events

Today, Nov. 19	8:00 & 10:45 AM	Worship Services with Holy Communion
	9:30 AM	Adult Bible Classes and Sunday School
	2:00 PM	Pneuma Faith Worship Service
	6:00 PM	Manantiales de Vida Worship Service in the Sanctuary
	6:00 PM	Sr. High FUEL
Mon, Nov. 20	9:30 AM	Mom's Bible Study: "Book of Galatians" in Rm 104
	12:30 PM	Women's Bible study in Rm 104
	6:30 PM	Boy Scouts Meeting
Tues, Nov. 21	8:00 AM	Prayer Team Meeting in the Sanctuary
	9:00 AM	Quilters for Christ in the Annex
Wed, Nov. 22	9:30 AM	Parent & Child Music Time in Rm 104
	7:00 PM	Thanksgiving Eve Worship
	8:30 PM	Manantiales de Vida Adult Bible Study
Thurs, Nov. 23		Church office and Bright Beginners closed for holiday
	7:30 PM	Men's (30+) pick-up basketball in Life Center
Fri, Nov. 24		Church office and Bright Beginners closed for holiday
	7:00 PM	Manantiales de Vida Youth Worship
Sat, Nov. 25	7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study in the Church office conference room
Sun, Nov. 26 <i>Christ the King Sunday</i>	8:00 & 10:45 AM	Worship Services
	9:30 AM	Adult Bible Classes and Sunday School
	2:00 PM	Pneuma Faith Worship Service
	6:00 PM	Manantiales de Vida Worship Service in the Sanctuary
	6:00 PM	Sr. High FUEL



Save the Date for these Upcoming Events:

- November 26** - LINC Toy Drive begins (collection Dec. 10)
- December 2** - Decorating the church for Christmas
- December 4** - Advent by Candlelight
- December 6** - Advent worship begins
- December 10** - Tree of Remembrance / Annual Voter's Assembly Meeting
- December 13** - Advent Worship
- December 14** - Service of Prayer and Healing
- December 16** - Jr. High Christmas Party
- December 17** - Sr. High Christmas Party
- December 20** - Advent Worship
- December 24** - Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship at 10 AM, 2 PM, and 4 PM
- December 25** - Christmas Day Service at 10 AM

Contact Us

To reach any of the staff members, please call the church office at 281-469-2457
Email addresses are available on our website at www.STLHouston.org/staff

Those Who Serve

This Weekend, November 19, 2017

	Sunday ~ 8:00 AM	Sunday ~ 10:45 AM
Acolytes	Kody Goebel / Taylorlee Goebel	Grace Wood / Will Hansen
Elders/Deacons	Duane Meyer / Aubrey Hartman / John Ullrich / Rob Ellington	
Reader	Ted Fisher	AnnLee Mosely
Prayer Partner	Nancy Hartman	Kathy Kolkhorst
Ushers	Ross Friedrichs / Roger Rucker / Fred Gallard / Jim Riche / Robert Rucker / Stan Fritsche / Bruce Martin	Clint Noack / Gary Kolkhorst / Keith Casey / Robert Walker / Bob Sawicki / Roger Gautt / Cheyanne Hildebrandt
Greeters	Desk: Patti Schatte Lobby: Rudy and Sheri Esparza	Desk: Art Sukman Lobby: Jeff and Jessica Jackson
Tech Team	Marcelle Martin / Roger Gautt	Jessica Arambul

Next Weekend, November 26, 2017

	Sunday ~ 8:00 AM	Sunday ~ 10:45 AM
Acolytes	Michael Szalkowski	Spencer Lehrmann
Elders/Deacons	Russell Blue / Dwayne Landry / Cameron Spurgeon / Kevin Arnold / Kevin McFarlane	
Reader	Paula Cline	Alyssa Coleman
Prayer Partner	Nancy Rohan	Chrisanne McAuliffe
Ushers	Ron Kaiser / David Smith / Doug Stewart / John Pemberton / Marty Zanotti / Herb Newhouse / Dave McRoberts	Ted Fisher / Steve Fritsche / Rick Gravesmill / Rob Gravesmill / Randy Knebel / Larry Bathe / Myron Menk
Greeters	Desk: Dianne Kingsley Lobby: Rick and Carol Friedrichs	Desk: Brenda McKeehan Lobby: TBD
Tech Team	Clint Currin / Roger Gautt	Kristin Henze



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