



**Corinthians and Community ~
Walk by Faith and Not by Sight**

Season After Pentecost

Welcome to Worship!

**Please see the end of the bulletin for photos of the extended community of St. Tim's! During this five week series, please send your photos of community to sttimstories@gmail.com for inclusion in the bulletin!*

Prelude

Opening

P - We are saved by God's grace!

C - Through our Lord, Jesus Christ!

Gathering Song - "Great Is the Lord"

Great is the Lord, he is holy and just, by his power we trust in his love.

Great is the Lord, he is faithful and true, by his mercy he proves he is love.

Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory.

Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise.

Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:

Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Confession and Forgiveness

P - Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

P - Holy One,

C - we encounter you in our lives and try to follow faithfully, but so often we get lost or turn away. We try to love our neighbors and ourselves, and even, by your grace, to love our enemies, but we fail. We take the wrong path and stray from the way of your love. Forgive us, Lord, and guide us back to you.

P - The apostle Paul assures us: "When we were dead in our sins, God made us alive together with Christ, nailing the record of our sins to the cross." Jesus says to you, "Your sins are forgiven." Be at peace, and tell everyone how much God has done for you.

C - Amen.

Greeting

P - The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C - And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P - Let us pray. God of all Creation,

C - you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Children's Time - Sue Mather

1st Reading - 2 Corinthians 5:1-21

L - Word of God, word of life!

C - Thanks be to God!

Gospel Reading - Luke 15:25-32

L - Word of God, word of life!

C - Thanks be to God!

Song - "We Walk By Faith"

We walk by faith, and not by sight; with gracious words draw near,
O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you hear."
We may not touch your hands and side, nor follow where you trod;
But in your promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound
To call on you when you are near and seek where you are found:

For you, O resurrected Lord, are found in means divine:
Beneath the water and the word, beneath the bread and wine.
And when our life of faith is done, in realms of clearer light
May we behold you as you are, with full and endless sight.

Sermon

Song - "Awakening"

In our hearts, Lord, in our lives Lord, awakening. Holy Spirit, we desire awakening.

For you, and You alone awake my soul; Awake my soul, and sing.
For the world You love Your will be done, let Your will be done in me.

In Your presence, in your power, awakening. For this moment, in this hour, awakening.

Like the rising sun that shines, from the darkness comes a light; I hear Your voice, and this
is my awakening!

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy universal church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Song - "Lead Me, Guide Me"

Lead me, guide me along the way

For if you lead me, I cannot stray
Lord, let me walk each day with thee
Lead me, oh lord, lead me.

I am weak and I need thy strength and power
To help me over my weakest hour
Help me through thy darkness, Thy face to see
Lead me, oh lord, lead me.

Help me tread in the paths of righteousness
Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress
I am putting all my trust in thee
Lead me, oh lord, lead me.

I am lost if you take your hand from me
I am blind without Thy light to see
Lord just always let me thy servant be
Lead me, oh lord, lead me.

Lord's Prayer

C - Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Sending Prayer

P - We come again to you, O God,

C - giving you thanks that in your life, death and resurrection you have embraced us and healed us. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Blessing

P - May God direct our ways in peace,

C - and make us abound in love for one another and for all.

P - Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C - Amen.

Sending Song - "Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"

Hallelujah! We sing your praises, all our hearts are filled with gladness. (x2)

Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,

I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hunger.

Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,
Strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joyful gospel.

Dismissal

A - Go in Peace. Christ is sending you!

C - Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Readings for Next Sunday: 2 Corinthians 8:1-15 and John 13:31-35

St. Tim's Announcements - August 16, 2020

- ❖ ***Adult Ed. - Regular class format today, August 16 on Zoom at 11:00 am. Please contact: Dan Rader at djrader@aol.com or 858-1472 for a Zoom invite.***

- ❖ ***Thanks be to God we were able to make our Storehouse goal!***
 - All Saints Lutheran (council has approved): \$5,000
 - St Paul Lutheran (council has approved): \$2,500
 - St. Tim's (council has approved): \$2,050
 - St. Tim's private donations: \$11,620
 - St. Tim's Women's Ministries: \$500
 - The Carl C. Anderson Sr. & Marie Jo Anderson Charitable Foundation: \$7,000
 - GRAND TOTAL = \$28,670***

- ❖ ***St Tim's Book Club - Reading "Educated" by Tara Westover. Next meeting: Friday, September 11; 6 pm via Zoom.*** Tara Westover was seventeen the first time she set foot in a classroom. Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, she prepared for the end of the world by stockpiling home-canned peaches and sleeping with her "head for the hills" bag. ... Educated is an account of the struggle for self-invention. It is a tale of fierce family loyalty, and of the grief that comes from severing one's closest ties. With the acute insight that distinguishes all great writers, Westover has crafted a universal coming-of-age story that gets to the heart of what an education is and what it offers: the perspective to see one's life through new eyes, and the will to change it. (Description from the book jacket). Barbara Blackwell, who suggested Educated, says: Although [Westover's] father was Mormon, she relates in interviews that his views were extremist and not to be considered as the views of the church. In one interview she states that religion is a character in the book, but the book is not about Mormonism. It is a story of an isolated family and the resiliency of Tara and several of her siblings. I think it would

provide a great background for a fascinating discussion on how religion and families can nurture or condemn. One of the best books I have read.

If you would like to join the group, but aren't sure if you're on the Book Club email list, contact Becky Lee, blee71willmar@gmail.com to make sure you get a Zoom invitation. **Please join us! Everyone is welcome!**

- ❖ **Women's Ministry - Will bless and sell quilts on Sunday, September 13 at all 3 services.** We have 16 lovely quilts, even a few that are special for Christmas! The quilts will be displayed and sold until they are all gone! We suggest \$25 each. Thanks for your support! This enables us to send money to Storehouse to help pay for staffing needs since volunteers are not able to work during the pandemic.

During this time when we are gathered together digitally, this compassionate congregation still provides support to a variety of ministries that serve our local and global communities. If you are able, please visit our website (www.sttimschurch.net) and click the icon on the homepage labeled "Support Staff and Ministries" to provide a financial offering.

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Dismissal - Elaine Solimon
Lord's Prayer Leader - Ansu Kuruvilla
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Percussionist - Issa Noor
Song Leader - Hannah Thigpen



A Reconciling in Christ Congregation 







