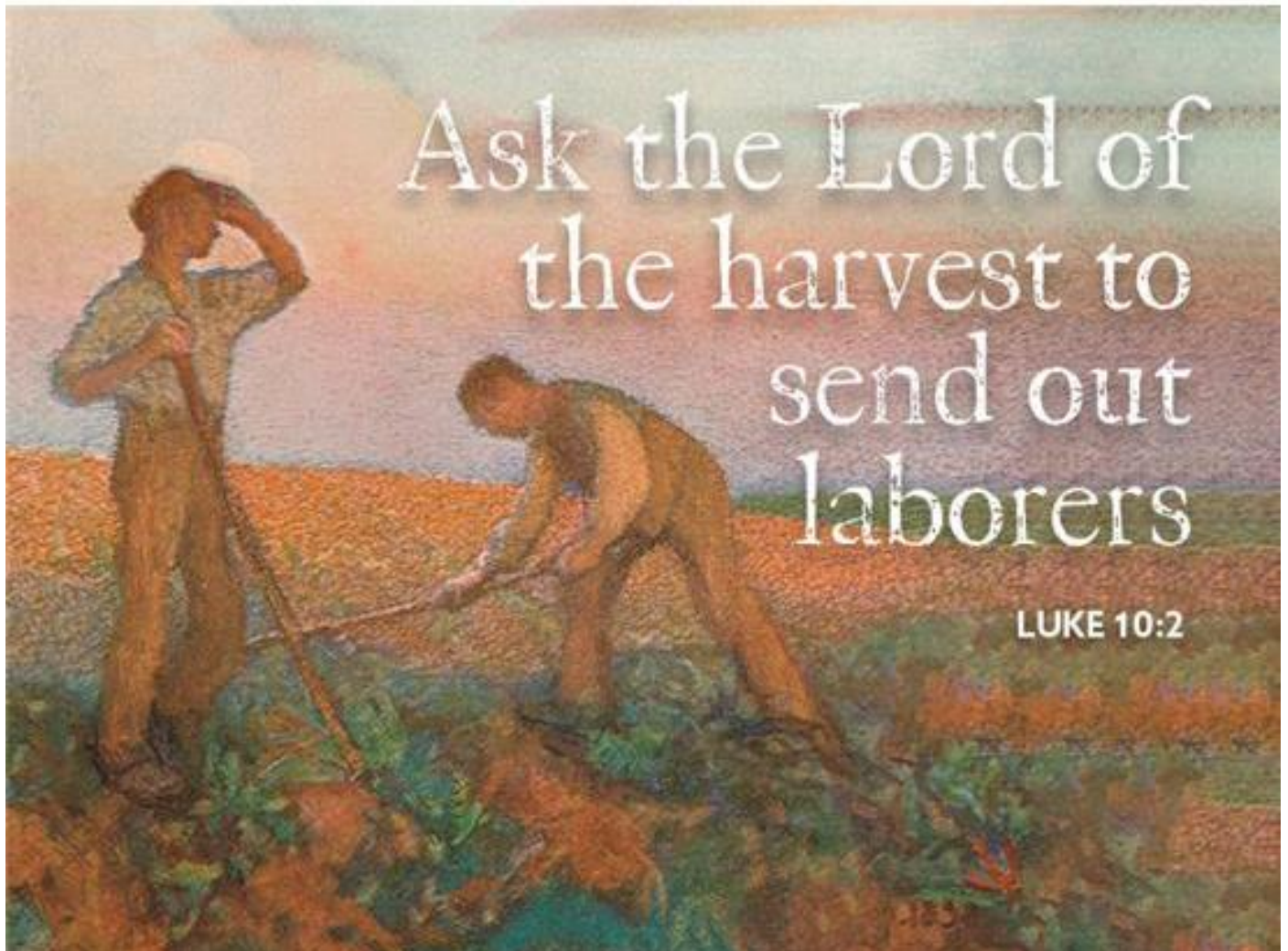


Sharing the Bread of Life
St. Timothy's Lutheran Church

July 6th, 2025

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM



Worship Leaders for Today:

Presiding Minister: Rev. John Schumacher

Cantor: Paul Rupprecht

Assisting Minister: Pat Ruth

Technical Specialist: Michael Lindahl

Sacristan: Nancy Crivello

Acolyte: Richard Beck

Introduction to the Day

God is the source of our nourishment. Jesus' invitation to "take and eat . . . take and drink" is a repeated one. In holy communion, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.

Old Testament: Isaiah 66:10-14

Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

Psalms: Psalm 66:1-9

All the earth bows down before you and sings out your name. (Ps. 66:4)

New Testament: Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in "the family of faith."

Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

FRIENDS IN CHRIST

Tuesday, July 1, 2025

Catherine Winkworth, died 1878; John Mason Neale, died 1866; hymn translators

Neale was an English priest who specialized in the translation of Latin and Greek hymns into English. Winkworth lived in Manchester, England, and devoted herself to translating German hymns. Almost all English-speaking hymnals include many of their translations.

Thursday, July 3, 2025

Thomas, Apostle

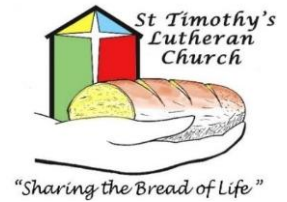
Though frequently remembered as "doubting Thomas," this apostle also demonstrated a willingness to suffer and die with Jesus (John 11:16), and finally claimed the risen Christ as "my Lord and my God!" By tradition, he later worked as a missionary in India. Long commemorated on December 21, Thomas's celebration is moved to July 3 in agreement with ecumenical calendars.

Sunday, July 6, 2025

Jan Hus, martyr, died 1415

Hus was a Bohemian (present-day Czech Republic) priest who spoke against abuses in the church, and was seen by Martin Luther as his predecessor in the reforming movement. He was found guilty of heresy by a council of the church, and burned at the stake.

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



WELCOME

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

PRESIDING MINISTER: In the name of the Father,
and of the ✙ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

PRESIDING MINISTER: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

We keep silence for reflection.

Merciful God,

ALL: you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity,
but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.
Amen.

PRESIDING MINISTER: You belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of ✙ Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

ALL: Amen.

Please rise in body or spirit.

GATHERING HYMN: #863 My God, how wonderful thou art



- 1 My God, how won - der - ful thou art, thy maj - es - ty how bright!
- 2 How won - der - ful, how beau - ti - ful the sight of thee must be—
- 3 No earth - ly fa - ther loves like thee; no moth - er, e'er so mild,
- 4 Yet I may love thee too, O Lord, al - might - y as thou art,
- 5 My God, how won - der - ful thou art, thou ev - er - last - ing friend!



How beau - ti - ful thy mer - cy seat in depths of burn - ing light!
thine end - less wis - dom, bound - less pow'r, and awe - some pu - ri - ty!
bears and for - bears as thou hast done with me, thy sin - ful child.
for thou hast stooped to ask of me the love of my poor heart.
On thee I stay my trust - ing heart till faith in vi - sion end.

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863

Music: DUNDEE, *Psalter*, Edinburgh, 1615

GREETING

PRESIDING MINISTER: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PRESIDING MINISTER: O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Please be seated.

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 66:10-14

ASSISTING MINISTER: A reading from Isaiah.

- ¹⁰ Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her;
rejoice with her in joy,
all you who mourn over her—
¹¹ that you may nurse and be satisfied
from her consoling breast;
that you may drink deeply with delight
from her glorious bosom.

¹² For thus says the LORD:

I will extend prosperity to her like a river,
and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;
and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,
and dandled on her knees.

¹³ As a mother comforts her child,
so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

¹⁴ You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
your bodies shall flourish like the grass;
and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants,
and his indignation is against his enemies.

PSALM: Psalm 66:1-9

Be joyful in God, | all you lands;

be joyful, all the earth.

Sing the glory of God's name;

sing the glory of God's praise.

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

Because of your great strength, your enemies cringe before you.

All the earth bows down before you,

and sings to you, sings out your name."

Come now and see the works of God,

how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.

God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot,

and there we rejoiced in God.

Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations;

let no rebels exalt themselves.

Bless our God, you peoples;

let the sound of praise be heard.

Our God has kept us among the living

and has not allowed our feet to slip.

NEW TESTAMENT: Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16

ASSISTING MINISTER: A reading from Galatians.

[¹ My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. ² Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³ For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴ All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. ⁵ For all must carry their own loads.

⁶ Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.]

⁷ Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸ If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹ So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹ See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹² It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³ Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so

that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴ May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵ For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶ As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

ASSISTING MINISTER: Word of God, word of life.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Please rise in body or spirit.

GOSPEL: 10:1-11, 16-20

PRESIDING MINISTER: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ ⁶ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ ¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹ ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’”

¹⁶ “Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

¹⁷ The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” ¹⁸ He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹ See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

PRESIDING MINISTER: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Please rise in body or spirit.

HYMN OF THE DAY: #576 We are all one in mission



1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
2 We all are called for ser - vice, to wit - ness in God's name.
3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, and let our song be heard.



our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; our pur - pose is the same:
Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.



A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
to touch the lives of oth - ers with God's sur - pris - ing grace,
We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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CREED

PRESIDING MINISTER: And now, living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

ALL: 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 catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated.

PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ASSISTING MINISTER: Please feel free to unmute yourselves to join in these prayers of the people. Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

You send your church into the world with a message of peace. Center the whole church in this peace, and strengthen our faith by the example of (Jan Hus and) all those who creatively and faithfully proclaim your good news. God of grace,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

ASSISTING MINISTER: All the earth sings out your name. Inspire your people to drink deeply from the beauty of (local natural beauty and) all your creation. When ecosystems are wounded, bring your healing. When our actions endanger the survival of other species, curb our greed and waste. God of grace,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

ASSISTING MINISTER: You call us to work for the good of all. Give resolve to those who lead, that they do not grow weary in doing what is right. Guide them to seek peace between nations and freedom for all people. God of grace,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

ASSISTING MINISTER: As a mother comforts her child, so you comfort us. Bring this comfort to those in any pain, especially:

(pause as members of the community name those in need of God's clear presence)

Carry your people when grief is heavy, and lift burdens of shame and self-doubt. God of grace,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

ASSISTING MINISTER: Your harvest is plentiful, O God. Make us laborers and companions with one another in this assembly. Send your peace to rest upon us, heal divisions among us, and open our hearts to receive one another as gifts from you. God of grace,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

ASSISTING MINISTER: And for what else do the people of God assembled here pray or give thanks?

(pause as members of the community raise thanks and concerns, either muted or unmuted)

God of grace,.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

ASSISTING MINISTER: You have written our names in heaven, O God, and we rejoice. We thank you for those who have lived and died in your love, especially:

(pause as members of the community raise up the names of the blessed dead in whose communion we remain)

Accompany us on our life's journey and draw us at last to life forever in you. God of grace,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

ASSISTING MINISTER: Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

ALL: Amen.

PEACE

PRESIDING MINISTER: May the peace of Christ be with you always.

ALL: And also with you.

OFFERING

In thanksgiving for all God has given us we offer the first fruits of our labors for the mission of the church and the care of those in need. In addition to giving in our offering plate, you are welcome to give in one of two ways: 1) By mailing your gift to St. Timothy's at 9000 Kildare Ave, Skokie, IL 60076; or 2) By giving online via the QR code in the back of the bulletin or the link on our website: sttimothyskokie.org.

PRESIDING MINISTER: We worship God with our offering.

OFFERING SONG



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.

OFFERING PRAYER

PRESIDING MINISTER: Risen One,
you have gathered us around your table of grace
along with these gifts we bring.
Come among us again,
breathe your life into us,
and enliven us with this meal,
that we may live as your risen body in the world.

ALL: Amen.

EUCCHARIST

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PRESIDING MINISTER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDING MINISTER: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDING MINISTER: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

PRESIDING MINISTER: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.
You call your people to cleanse their hearts
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,
we may come to the fullness of your grace.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

PRESIDING MINISTER: Holy God,
our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer,
in the harmonious world of your creation,
the plants and animals,
the seas and stars
were whole and well in your praise.
When sin had scarred the world,
you sent your Son to heal our ills
and to form us again into one.
In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Remembering, therefore,
his acts of healing,
his body given up,
and his victory over death,
we await that day when all the peoples of the earth
will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.
Send your Spirit upon us and this meal:
as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread,
so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth,
that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.
Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

PRESIDING MINISTER: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray together as Jesus taught us:

ALL: **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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

PRESIDING MINISTER: Come to the table of grace.
Receive the gift of new life.

COMMUNION

TABLE DISMISSAL

PRESIDING MINISTER: And now may the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

ALL: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

PRESIDING MINISTER: Mothering God,
you gathered us to your table
and we drank deeply of your grace.

Send us out by your Spirit
to love our neighbors as ourselves
and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

ALL: Amen.

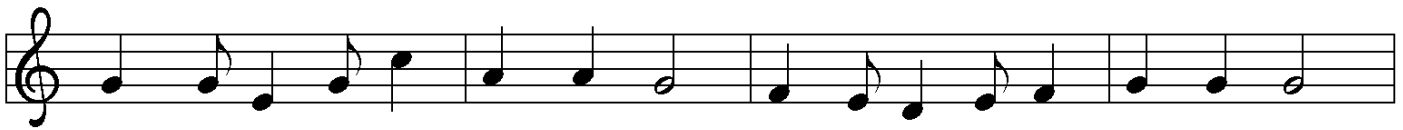
Please rise in body or spirit.

BLESSING

PRESIDING MINISTER: The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
✠ bless you and give you peace.

ALL: Amen.

SENDING HYMN: #674 Let us talents and tongues employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

Refrain



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929

Music: LINSTeAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925–1980

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Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

ASSISTING MINISTER: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

IN OUR PRAYERS

You are invited to pray for those listed throughout the week using this or another prayer:

Living God, grant comfort in suffering to all who are in need of healing, especially (*Speak names here*).

When they are afraid, give them courage; when afflicted, give them patience; when dejected, give them hope; and when alone, assure them of the support of your holy people. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Sunday

John and Nancy Lang, Phillip DeRosa, Louise Nygard, Brian and Jackson Siegel, Susan Prichodko, Bill Yeager, Jim and Laurel Nelson, Pat Flaherty and Sandy Waterhouse, The Family of Michael Rapp, Paul Luke, Irene Hildner

Monday

Esther Hildner
Marci Stanley
John Stanton
Robert Skillen
Russon and Gloria Brown
John Kueter
Bob Miller

Tuesday

Martilias Porreca
Janet Johnson
Susan Jensen
Jennie Ramirez
Linda and Paul Wold
Eileen Cooney

Wednesday

Elaine Morgan
John Fergus
Michael Halliwell
Marlene Hawkins
Joanne and Colin Haeberlin
The family of Simon Kerslake
The family of William D. Murphy

Thursday

Christine Haeberlin
Jan Karp
The Family of Maisa Abudayyeh
The Family of Rosita Cueva
The Family of Larry Ruegg
Helene Preisig
The Family of Patricia Study

Friday

Jim Henderson
David Hooseholder
Phil and family
Lynn Tomey
Miriam Lietz
Virginia McLaughlin
Paul Luke

Saturday

Liam Hansen
Sheila McDiarmid
The Family of Joseph Pucher
Bill Maki
Dick and Joan Nelson
Pennie Olson
Jennifer Kinsella

NOTE: We are happy to include friends and loved ones. Please contact the church office to renew or add a prayer request, or to let us know it is time for a prayer of thanksgiving.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. TIMOTHY'S, JULY 6th TO JULY 12th

Sunday	10:30am	Worship (Rev. John Schumacher)
	11:30am	Fellowship
Monday	7:00pm	Zumba
Tuesday		
Wednesday	7:00pm	Zumba
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		

Assisting Minister: Pat Ruth

NEXT WEEK AT ST. TIMOTHY'S, JULY 13th TO JULY 19th

Sunday	10:30am	Worship (Minister Tim Geistlinger)
	11:30am	Fellowship
Monday	7:00pm	Zumba
Tuesday		
Wednesday	7:00pm	Zumba
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		

Assisting Minister: Mandy Steegmueller

SAVE THE DATE

Sack Lunch

Come and join us for our next Sack Lunch opportunity on Friday, July 25th in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 am! For more information, please reach out to Janice Skillen or call the church office at (847) 676-1300.

Hospitality Team

Are you looking for a new way to serve? Consider joining our Hospitality Team, which provides the refreshments for fellowship hour after worship every Sunday! There are plenty of opportunities to serve! To learn more and sign up, call the church office.

A Message from Global Refuge

Global Refuge (formerly Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services) received a stop-work order from the government calling for us to immediately stop serving the nearly 6,000 newly arrived refugees in our care. These children and families fled war, violence, or persecution and came to the United States through the official U.S. Refugee Admissions Program. They arrived with little more than the clothes on their backs and rely on the initial assistance Global Refuge provides for urgent needs like housing, food, healthcare, finding work, and enrolling their children in school. Your gifts are the only way we can assure that refugees in our care can access the essential resources promised to them. Provide critical support to newly arrived children and families today at globalrefuge.org/withrefugees.

God's Work Our Hands

The Glenbrook Parish congregations

Ascension, Gloria Dei, Holy Trinity and St. Philip have common plans for God's Work Our Hands, **Saturday, September 6, 11:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. "Feed My Starving Children," Libertyville.**

God's work. Our hands.



SAVE THE DATE

The Glenbrook Parish congregations
will come together for this
ELCA-wide day of service.

Feed My Starving Children (Libertyville)
Saturday, September 6
11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m.



<http://www.fmssc.org/join-group?joincode=EK1WL5>



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