**St. Timothy’s Presbyterian Church**

**Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**June 13, 2021**

**YOUTH Service**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Prelude**

**Opening: Praise the Lord (Orock-Mpey)**

Praise the Lord!  
Praise God in his sanctuary;  
   praise him in his mighty firmament!  
2 Praise him for his mighty deeds;  
   praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

3 Praise him with trumpet sound;  
   praise him with lute and harp!  
4 Praise him with tambourine and dance;  
   praise him with strings and pipe!  
5 Praise him with clanging cymbals;  
   praise him with loud clashing cymbals!Psalm 150:1-5

## **Hymn Praise the Lord with sounds of Trumpets**

## **God’s greeting:** 2 Timothy 1:8 (Awesome-Gift)

Do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, but join in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God.

Call to worshipJesus Loves Us (Caleb + Kiara)

“Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so.”

**This is a very special thought: to young and old it ought be taught.**

God’s love was there before our birth, even before He made the earth.

**In our mother’s wombs He formed our parts; knit together body, soul and heart.**

He loves as a shepherd loves his sheep, as a mother when her child weeps.

**He is our Father, saving, caring, protecting and our burdens bearing**.

His love never fails, is always warm, giving peace inside when outside is a storm.

**He is gentle too, patient, kind, and with good thoughts fills our minds.**

When we know God loves us so, we are strengthened to face our foes;

**not run away, feeling low, alone, uncertain how things will go…**

For He makes secure, brings hope to life, boldness to stand for what is right;

**changes us to consider other’s needs: God’s love is shared through kindly deeds.**

Jesus loves us: all may know what the Bible tells is so.

**Hymn** Jesus Loves me

**Prayer (Noah)**

Bless us with Love, O Merciful God;  
That we may Love as you Love!  
That we may show patience, tolerance,  
Kindness, caring and love to all!  
Give me knowledge; O giver of Knowledge,  
O Compassionate One, grant compassion unto us;  
That we may help all who are in need!  
Bless us with your Love O God.  
Bless us with your Love.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

You are the ancient of days;

You are eternal and unchanging;

You are the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

And yet you are new each day.

You restore and renew all things;

you are newness itself.

Into what is tired and stale, you breathe life.

Into what appears dead, you bring vitality.

It is to you that we turn in good times and bad, and you are always with us.

You satisfy our deepest desires,

and so it is to you,

life-giving Father,

life-giving Son,

life-giving Spirit,

that we bring our worship and praise.

Out of a desire to be free and have new life, we confess to you our sin.

Almighty God, slow to anger and swift to forgive,

you have shown us the depth of your love,

yet we are reluctant to love others even a little.

You have shown us compassion and forgiveness,

yet we walk away from one another so easily.

Forgive us, create in us clean hearts, a desire to begin again,

and give us the courage to forgive one another. And as one family we pray the prayer that our lord taught us to pray:

Our Father who art in heaven   
hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,   
Thy will be done on earth   
as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread  
and forgive us our debts   
as we forgive our debtors

And lead us not into temptation,   
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom,   
the power and the glory  
forever and ever.

**Assurance of Pardon  (Otimbili)**

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn us? Only Christ—and Christ died for us; Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and set free by God’s generous grace! Rejoice in God’s good gift.

**Story Time**

**Mission Moment:** Meeting the Needs of Families in Beirut (Erynne)

The massive explosion that struck the city of Beirut in August 2020 left many people injured and many homes damaged. Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) responded to the devastating effects by meeting the needs of vulnerable people in Lebanon. Families received essential supplies, such as food and hygiene items, to sustain them as they started to rebuild. Additionally, PWS&D assisted in restoring homes and schools and provided water and sanitation kits to families, as well as school kits to children.

And now let us approach our scripture readings with a word of prayer:

**Prayer for Understanding** **(Baiye)**

God of patience and persistence, scripture tells us your people have not always listened for your leading. So, send your Spirit to open our minds and hearts to your Living Word. Speak through the scriptures, and inspire our growth and gratitude, so that we may be changed by what we hear. Amen.

**Special Hymn** Karen Abboud  
**Scripture Readings  
1 Samuel 3: 3b-9 (Karen)**  
Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. 4Then the Lord called, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ and he said, ‘Here I am!’ 5and ran to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ But he said, ‘I did not call; lie down again.’ So he went and lay down. 6The Lord called again, ‘Samuel!’ Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ But he said, ‘I did not call, my son; lie down again.’ 7Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. 8The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. 9Therefore Eli said to Samuel, ‘Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.” ’ So Samuel went and lay down in his place.  
**2 Timothy 1: 3-10 (Karen)**  
3 I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. 4Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. 5I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. 6For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; 7for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

8 Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, 9who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, 10but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

**Sermon:** The Gift of Faith

**Special Hymn** Erynne & Noah McPhee

**Prayer (Caroline B. [Reading Bold] + Marie B.)**

***Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom.***

***Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity.***

**Gracious God, you hold all things in your hands.**

**We may plant seeds, but it is your mysterious power that brings forth the plant. We do our small parts, but you bring growth and new life.**

**Thank you for our place in your purposes.**

**Guide our plans for ministry in the days ahead.**

***Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom.***

***Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity.***

**We pray for the troubled places of our world, and those marked by violence and injustice especially the families affected by the tragic violence in London Ontario.**

***Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom*.**

***Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity.***

**We pray for our community and province**

**as we rebuild common life and recover from the pandemic.**

**We pray for those seeking work or rebuilding businesses,**

**for those exhausted by months of service,**

**and those still suffering the effects of COVID-19.**

***Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom.***

***Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity.***

**We pray for those who feel empty or lonely,**

**who fear the future or mourn the past.**

**We pray for those who suffer pain or grief,**

**and for all whose lives have been on hold during these months of pandemic.**

***Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom.***

***Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity.***

**We pray for The Presbyterian Church in Canada,**

**for its courts, committees, staff and agencies,**

**as we come to terms with the decisions that came out of the General Assembly last week.**

**Strengthen our local ministry and mission**

**and help us learn new ways to reach out**

**after the months of distancing and adapting to technological assistance.**

***Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom.***

***Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity.***

**Gracious God, you hold all things in your hand, including us.**

**Keep us open to your Spirit’s leading.**

**In all that we do, help us embody the love of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen…**

**Invitation to Offering (Eugene)**

As we offer our gifts in thanksgiving, remember that they continue to honour Christ Jesus as Lord of all times and all places.

**Doxology**

**Offertory Prayer (Eugene)**

# **God of small seeds and secret growth, we bring our gifts to you, trusting that you will bless them. Use them as seeds of new life in our community and in your world. Grow results we cannot even imagine—within us, among us, because of us and beyond us, for the sake of Christ, our Living Lord. Amen.**

**Concluding Hymn**

**Benediction (Ernest)**

May God lead you to places of rest and renewal;

May Christ accompany you on the journey;

May the Holy Spirit fill your hearts with joy and generosity;

And may the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Christ and Spirit, descend upon you and dwell in your hearts this day and always.