



FROM GOOD TO GREATER FAITHFULNESS

A couple of weeks ago I invited a guest to come and spend the weekend with our parish. I invited him to come and interview the staff individually, convene some focus groups of diverse parishioners, and worship with us all on Sunday. I invited our guest—a long time, veteran church consultant who has consulted with thousands of churches—because, as shared at our annual meeting a few weeks ago, we are being challenged now to move to greater faithfulness.

I was interested to learn from the fresh eyes of a pro what barriers he sees to growing even healthier as a parish. (As I noted at our annual meeting, we are a healthy parish, but we are not growing in health: our outreach to the community plateaued many years ago, and the past few years—since 2003, or five years ago—it began to decline.) What can we learn from an outsider about the barriers that stand in our way now and in the future to reaching out more to people in our community and sharing God's good news?

After dinner on Sunday night, our guest shared with the leadership some of his observations about our good health and core issues that he sees us wrestling with. His is an insightful view of us, and I invite anyone interested in gaining a summary of his report to come to the Rector's forum after the Wednesday night dinner this Wednesday, in the Guild room at 7:00 p.m.

Lent is a season of metanoia. Metanoia is Greek meaning a change of mind and heart, altering one's mind-set toward whole new ways of thinking and acting. This means inviting God to work among us. We are being challenged by God now to move forward to implement the initiatives that our congregation has discerned God calling us to in our recent re-visioning of ministry. Every member is a minister and each of us plays a key role in walking with God to reach out to more people in our community through our common ministry.

In the coming weeks you will be invited to step forward to play a key role in accomplishing our parish-wide initiatives and I challenge you now to commit to doing so. Now is the time to accomplish what we've already envisioned together.

Together—by accomplishing our parish-wide visions for youth, children, spiritual formation, and community connection—we can create a new chapter in being a church for people of all ages and stages of faith.

WELCOME TO ST. TIMOTHY'S.

We are glad that you are here. Newcomers and guests are welcome to use the "contact card" enclosed in this bulletin to learn more about our community, ask questions, or make comments. Please place the card in the offering plate, or hand it to one of the clergy at the door as you leave worship.



WELCOME TO ST. TIMOTHY'S

If you are new, a visitor, or a guest today, we are honored to have you worship with us. After the service please join us in Edwards Hall (located off the courtyard) for coffee.

If you are interested in joining our church, please call our Priest Executive, Maly Hughes, in the church office or email her at maly@sttims.org. She will be glad to meet with you and talk about the church or direct you to those who might assist you. Arrangements can be made for baptism of adults and/or children on the first Sunday of each month.

THE CLERGY

Nathan Speck-Ewer, Rector
 Maly Adams Hughes, Priest Executive
 Robert J. Seifert, Deacon

THE STAFF

Christina Sudairy, Communications Director
 Peter Sammel, Music Director
 Joanna R. Shreve, Financial Administrator
 Scott Boding, Adult Education Director
 Michele Trottier, Facilities Manager
 Becky Blessing, Sr. High Youth Minister
 Kevin LaGassa, Jr. High Youth Minister
 Jessica Fuller & Joseph Hodgkinson, Parish Hosts
 Helen Wooldridge, Preschool Director

THE VESTRY

David Foster, Sr. Warden	Paul Hayter, Jr. Warden
Ross Johnson	Sandy Watkins
Darlene Frick	Lianne Mintz
Jenny Nathan	John Heltzel
Chris Paul	Madeleine Gerdes
John Ezell, Treasurer	Lavonne Bieber, Clerk

SEVEN MARKS OF A DISCIPLE

At the heart of this parish is God's call and challenge to be disciples of Jesus. The seven marks of a disciple are:

1. One who witnesses to an intentional faith as modeled in the Baptismal Covenant. (*Book of Common Prayer*, pg. 304)
2. One who keeps the Sabbath and commits to attending worship every Sunday.
3. One who honors the tithe as the biblical standard of faithful financial giving to the Church.
4. One who prays and reads the Bible daily.
5. One who participates regularly in a Covenant Group as a means of personal support in community.
6. One who uses his/her spiritual gifts in the work of the upbuilding of the Church.
7. One who reaches out to others with the love of Christ.

If you are interested in these Christian practices, or would like more information, please see Maly.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Timothy's Church calls people to unity with God and empowers them to thrive in our changing world. We are a Covenant Community that shares the love of God and proclaims the Gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed. We provide opportunities to make a difference in the world.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

COME TO DINNER



Join us for dinner on Wednesday. It's a great way to meet people and get connected. Parish dinners begin at 6:00 p.m. every Wednesday evening,

following "Kid Music" with Peter Sammel.

"Kid Food" and a vegetarian option are always available. The cost is \$7.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children, and a \$25.00 maximum per family (including parents and children under 18).

Please join us for great food and fellowship.



Women's Fellowship

We will be observing February 29th our own special way—by having a game night.

Where: Edwards Hall (or the Guild Room depending on how many of us can make it).

When: Friday, February 29 at 7:30 p.m.

Feel free to bring your favorite game. Treats will be provided. Hope to see you there.

FREE FRIENDS AND FAMILY PEDIATRIC FIRST AID CLASS

AnneAerobic CPR will be offering a free American Heart Association pediatric first aid class on Saturday, March 1 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Guild room.



This informative 60 minute presentation covers childhood accident and injury prevention, first aid for choking, and first aid for common childhood illnesses and injuries.

No pre-registration is required for this class and anyone over 12 years old is welcome to attend. Please do not bring children.

Want to learn CPR too? Just before this course, Anne will also be teaching an adult, child, infant CPR and AED certification class. Check www.AnneAerobic.com for more information and to register.

LOCKS CHANGING

Please note that on Wednesday, March 5, all doors in the facility



will be receiving new locks. Everyone who currently has keys to access any of our buildings will need to come into the office on or after March 6 to exchange them for the new keys.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEAVEN AND EARTH

The Choral Project will offer a concert of light in sound, warmth in music, and healing in song, as we share a program of music intended to inspire and exhilarate our listeners.



The concert will feature John Rutter's consoling and beautiful Requiem (Maly Hughes is soprano soloist), performed with an orchestra comprised of the Silicon Valley's finest players. Other works include music by Arvo Pärt, Alberto Ginestera, and John Paynter. Come wrap yourself in a blanket of warm sound.

Saturday, March 8 at 8:00 p.m.
Mission Church, University of Santa Clara
500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara

General Admission: \$25
Student / Senior: \$18
Children under 10 are free

Order tickets online or by mail by visiting
www.choralproject.org.

STORAGE SPACE FOR SMUM



We have a new, larger space to store our donations for Santa Maria Urban Mission. It's located just outside the Youth Room.

BISHOP MARY'S VISIT

Our new Bishop Mary Gray-Reeves will be with us at all services on Sunday, April 6. At this time Bishop Mary will Confirm any adult or teenager as well as Receive those who have been Confirmed in the Roman Catholic Church or Lutheran Church.



If you are interested in Confirmation or would like to be Received, please contact Maly Hughes at maly@sttims.org.



In preparation for the Bishop's visit, a Confirmation Class will be offered on Wednesday evenings in March. The class will meet March 5, 12, 19, and 26 at 7:00 p.m.

Please join Deacon Robert Seifert and Priest Executive Maly Hughes for an informative class about the Episcopal Church. This class is open to everyone.

For more information, please contact Maly Hughes at maly@sttims.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY

JR. AND SR. HIGH YOUTH GROUP



The Jr. and Sr. High Youth Groups meet every Sunday. The Jr. High group, "The Walk," meets from 3:58 to 6:15 p.m. The Sr. High Group, "Cornerstone," meets from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Bring \$5.00 for food and have a great time developing your relationship with God.

Questions?

Contact Becky Blessing at srhigh@sttims.org.



SPRING BREAK AT LA ROCA

How would you like to spend spring break in warm, sunny, Tijuana, Mexico, with carloads of friends, amazing authentic food, and wonderful playful children?

The youth groups are going down to La Roca, a Christian mission for single mothers and their children, and we need adults and youth grades 6-12 to join us. La Roca is a great and life-changing experience. From April 16 to 20, we will be doing projects and playing with the children. Contact Becky Blessing for further details at srhigh@sttims.org.

HEY PARENTS

The Youth Groups are holding a **BABYSITTING BONANZA**.

When: Friday, March 7 from 6:30 to 10:00 p.m.

What: Basketball, playground activities, nursery toys, board games, movies, healthy snacks, (and a quiet nap room).

Where: St. Timothy's

Who: Your children, ages 2-12 years.

Why: The St. Tim's Youth Groups are raising money for a trip to La Roca, and we'd like to play with your kids. There will not be dinner, so please feed your children ahead of time.

Cost: By donation.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

KID MUSIC

Parents and children are invited to join Music Director Peter Sammel each Wednesday at 5:15 p.m. for a joyful half-hour of music and rhythm play.



Even the youngest children will enjoy singing simple (and sometimes silly) songs, playing drums and other instruments, and moving their bodies.

Class ends at 5:45 p.m., just in time to enjoy the Parish Dinner.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



VACATION BIBLE CAMP 2008

Join us for Vacation Bible Camp the week of August 4-8. We'll meet from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon each day to sing songs, play games, watch Bible dramas acted out, make crafts, do science experiments, enjoy snacks, and learn about God's promises.

We welcome all children to Vacation Bible Camp who are age three or older.

Kids age 11 and up can take on responsibility as counselors-in-training, and have a great time helping the younger kids and being part of the camp team.

There is a charge of \$40.00 for each child, age three through ten. There is no charge for counselors-in-training. Confidential scholarship help is available; finances should not prevent any child from attending.

Register online at www.sttims.org, or pick up a registration form at the back of the church.

Christine Foster is recruiting helpers for this year's VBC Team. Contact her at foster81@pacbell.net to get involved in the fun.

ADULT EDUCATION

CONVICTION

On Wednesday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m., there will be a free showing of



"CONVICTION" at St. Tim's. This is a provocative documentary that explores the connections between faith and war. This 45-minute documentary centers on three Dominican sisters who, in 2002, "staged a symbolic act to 'inspect, expose and disarm' the weapons of mass destruction hidden deep in American soil." The film recently won awards at the Telluride and Frozen River Film Festivals.

Sr. Jackie, one of the incarcerated, will be present. She is Gwen Bindon's cousin.

"At dawn on a brisk October morning, the sisters entered a Minuteman III missile site armed with hammers, prayer and their own blood. CONVICTION tells the story of this Plowshares action, compelling audiences to grapple with the unfolding realities of nuclear proliferation, the implications of international law, and the untenable ethics of a super-church in bed with the military interests of the State. The religious right labeled the three nuns fanatics, the justice system convicted them of sabotage, the Master General of the Dominican Order in Rome thanked them for their powerful preaching and Jane Magazine voted them the Bad Ass Criminals of the Year. This 45-minute documentary delves head on into these contradictions, while exploring a system that would have three nuns marked as terrorists."

More information is available at www.ztsp.org.

Come meet this remarkable woman and hear first hand about the "Outflow" of her faith.



Faith Formation Event

Episcopal Diocese of El Camino Real

Saturday, March 1, 2008

St. Mark's, Santa Clara

8:15 a.m. registration

9:00 a.m. opening prayer
to 3:00 p.m.

The day includes:

Eucharistic
Minister Licensure
Training

Safe Guarding
God's Children

Eucharistic
Visitor Licensure
Training

Praying in Color

Instructed
Eucharist

Episcopal 101

Fee: \$20 includes lunch

Childcare available on request (831) 394-4465

Send registration form to Susan Altig at the
Diocesan Office, P.O. Box 1903, Monterey, CA 93942

Travel Directions to St. Mark's

1957 Pruneridge Avenue, Santa Clara, California 95050

Directions from I-880:

- Take the Bascom exit going South.
- Make the first Right, onto Hedding St., heading West.
- Hedding St. turns into Pruneridge Avenue after the second light. The church is on the right shortly after.

OUTREACH

**NEED HELP? WANT TO HELP?
CONTACT ST. JOSEPH THE
WORKER CENTER**

The St. Joseph the Worker Center was established about ten years ago, to provide services to day workers. Folks from St. Tim's have served there in the past, and the need for volunteers continues.



The Center needs people to teach English as a Second Language (ESL) to Spanish-speaking day workers. Hours are daily from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. and from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., and from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday nights.

After the recent Winter storms, or as part of your Spring clean-up, you may need some help around the house. A day worker can lighten your load and help you get jobs finished faster. Workers are available for painting, landscaping, moving, janitorial assistance; garage, window, gutter, and house cleaning; and other skillful jobs.

There is also a need for people who speak Spanish and can teach more advanced aspects of the above jobs.

To help or get help, contact Maria at (650) 903-4102. The Day Worker Center is at 748 Mercy Street, on the corner of Mercy and Hope Streets in Mountain View.

COVENANT GROUPS

COVENANT GROUP SCHEDULE

Covenant Groups are an expanding network of small groups that meet together to share the life of faith. To find out more, please call one of the group leaders, or the parish office.

Mondays

- 1:30 p.m. Anne Wilde (408) 379-2235
& Nan Fuller (408) 736-4662
- 7:30 p.m. Alan Twigg (650) 962-1939
& Drew Terrill (408) 230-4431

Tuesdays

Childcare available at church: 9:15-11:30 a.m.

- 9:30 a.m. Alane Kasrawi (650) 961-6338
- 7:00 p.m. Becky Mikkelsen (650) 428-0564
- 7:00 p.m. Susan Slakey (408) 249-7114
& Jennifer Olsen (408) 733-8735
- 7:15p.m. Bill Shreve (650) 941-6436
- 7:30 p.m. Michael Diamond (415) 830-0425
& Dana Peak (408) 299-5798
- 7:30 p.m. Laura Casellas (408) 375-2822
- 8:00 p.m. Will Watkins (408) 867-6063
- 8:00 p.m. Steven Schumaker-Trottier (650) 949-3281
& David Foster (650) 567-9755

Wednesdays

- 7:15 p.m. Holly Hem (650) 279-8818
Outflow for Young Adults

Thursdays

- 9:15 a.m. Wyn Schuh (650) 965-8037
Rancho Strolling Group
- 7:00 p.m. The Johnsons (408) 737-8355
- 7:00 p.m. Nyna Dolby (650) 941-9335
- 7:30 p.m. Scott Boding (650) 962-1967

Fridays

- 1:00 p.m. Althea Parks (408) 245-0295

STEPHEN MINISTRY

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HEALING PRAYER

There is a Stephen Minister available at the side altar rail (near the cross) during communion at each service. If you are experiencing any sort of spiritual, physical, emotional, or relational difficulty, you are encouraged to come forward for healing prayers.

After receiving communion, come to the altar rail to be anointed with oil and receive laying on of hands and healing prayers by a trained Stephen Minister.

Stephen Ministers are also available to pray with people after each worship service. Stephen Ministers wear a blue identification badge.

Prayer concerns are confidential.

If you would like to explore an ongoing one-to-one Christian caregiving and prayer relationship with a Stephen Minister, call the church office, speak with a Stephen Minister, or email stephenministry@sttims.org. The Stephen Ministry Coordinator will meet with you and prayerfully match you with one of the available Stephen Ministers.



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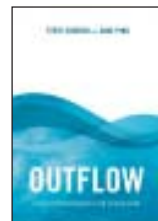
Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Ephesians 4:32

For confidential Christian care through Stephen Ministry, call 650-967-4724 or email stephenministry@sttims.org.

VISITING MINISTRY TEAM

As a result of the *Outflow* series we are getting together a team of ministers who feel called to visit the sick and homebound in our parish.



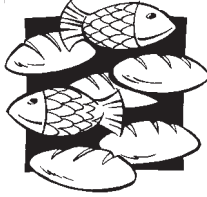
Gwen Bindon is organizing and training a team to reach out to those who are unable to join us on a weekly basis.

If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Maly Hughes at maly@sttims.org.

OUTREACH

FISHES AND LOAVES

Fishes and Loaves is our hands-on support ministry to families welcoming new babies or facing a medical crisis or other challenges.



This ministry makes God's love tangible by offering practical help such as meals, grocery shopping, playdates, and childcare. It also provides ample opportunity for everyone in the parish to be a blessing to others.

If you can double your favorite recipe and provide dinner to a family, or spare some time to help, contact Annett Inacker-Trail at (650) 988-8042 or annett_trail@yahoo.com.

REMEMBER THE LOVE BASKET

Bring donations of non-perishable food to the Love Basket, located in the back of the church. The offerings are taken to the food bank at SMUM.

Point out the basket to your children when it is brought to the altar with the other offerings, and invite them to help you choose food to put in the basket next week.

Donations of toiletries (including sample or hotel sizes), paper products, and diapers are also very much appreciated.

THIRD SUNDAY
IN LENT

EXODUS 17:1-7

PSALM 95

ROMANS 5:1-11

MATTHEW 4:1-11

PRAYER LIST

If you have a prayer request, call the church office or email prayer@sttims.org.

Names are kept on the prayer list for two weeks. If prayers are still needed after two weeks, please call or email again.

Please Pray For: Carl Barchfield; Charlene Bertrand; Ann Bauer; Brian Chapman; Alice Dible; Kate Drew; Terry Field; Ann Grant; Lara Gularte; Caroline Harmon, Lillian Hefty; BJ Hem; Ron Holt; Bea Horton; Diana Johnson; Mike Lampman; Dottie Brunauer Levine; Betty Liechty; Tom McKeown; Parva Oskoui; Ed Sammel; Curtis Schauf; John Schmidt; Donna Schroeder; Sylvia Schroeder; Rosemary Smiley; John Stolarik; Linda Sumner; Lister Terry; Justin Weitzel; Jane Young; the Diocese of El Camino Real and Bishop Mary Gray-Reeves; the children of La Roca and those who care for them; Stephen Ministers and their care receivers; members of the armed forces, especially Maj. Larry Dillard, Kernan Dibble, Tom Thibodeaux, and their families and loved ones; and Nancy Livak, serving in the Peace Corps in Belize.

SERVING TODAY

Jen Ezell Altar Guild
 Donna Fuzere
 Dolores Goodman
 Mary Harrison
 Melissa Malley
 Claire Witzke
 Nyna Dolby
 Julie Hansen

Matt Desmond Tellers
 Dolores Goodman

7:45 a.m.

Keith Samuel Greeter
 Frick Family Ushers
 Gwen Bindon Lector
 Michael Diamond Eucharistic Minister
 Doug Merrell Sound

9:00 a.m.

Kasrawi Family Greeters
 Hartford Family Ushers
 Lucas Mendoza Lectors
 Natalie Six
 Meredith Berg Acolyte
 Charlotte Six Prayer
 Madeleine Gerdes Eucharistic Ministers
 Karin Dutra
 Wyn Schuh
 Eric Berg Sound
 Katie Watkins Projector

10:30 a.m.

Lambert Family Greeters
 Ezell Family Ushers
 Anne Wilde Lectors
 Rita Ching
 Julia Ezell Acolyte
 Susan LaGassa Eucharistic Ministers
 Cheryl Miller
 Ryan Pease Sound
 Mark Witzke Projector

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24

7:45 a.m. Worship
 9:00 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Godly Play
 10:30 a.m. Worship
 5:00 p.m. Worship, Dinner & Youth Groups
 6:15 p.m. Book Class

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25

9:30 a.m. Bridge Club

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

5:15 p.m. Kid Music
 6:00 p.m. Parish Dinner



ST. TIMOTHY'S PRESCHOOL FALL REGISTRATION



Fall Registration for the school year 2008-2009 is now underway.

We have openings in our three year old class.

Children must be turning three years old on or before December 2, 2008.

Tuesday and Thursday 3s

9:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Tuition is \$265 per month

We have openings in three classes for four year olds. Your child must be turning four on or before December 2, 2008.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 4s

9:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Tuition is \$365 per month

Tuesday and Thursday Science 4s

12:30 to 3:00 p.m.

Tuition is \$265 per month

Five Day Combination 4s

Monday, Wednesday, Friday a.m. and Tuesday, Thursday Science p.m.

Tuition is \$570 per month

Registration Fees must be paid to hold a place for your child. The fees are June tuition in advance, plus a \$75 enrollment fee and a \$5 insurance fee. Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you are interested, please call Preschool Director Helen Wooldridge at (650) 967-4724.

LAST WEEK'S WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

7:45 a.m.	30
9:00 a.m.	89
10:30 a.m.	53
5:00 p.m.	36

Finances

Actual income	\$36,382
Pledged income	\$49,000

as of 1/31/2008

2008 DATES TO NOTE

March 16	Palm Sunday
March 20	Maundy Thursday
March 21	Good Friday
March 22	Easter Egg Hunt & Easter Vigil
March 23	Easter Day
April 6	Bishop's Visit

SUNDAY SERVICES

7:45 a.m. Traditional Worship

**9:00 a.m. Children's Worship
& Godly Play**

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship

5:00 p.m. Tweens & Teens Worship

Nursery care is provided in Room 7 during the 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services.