



## SHARING THE LOVE

Rector's confession here: I'm not a big fan of "evangelizing." Trying to convert people to my faith leaves me cold. I strive to respect other people's beliefs and honor our differences. The sometime attempts that others make to convert me—showing up at my door, offering pamphlets, haranguing me on the street corner—turn me off.

The God in Christ whom I follow, does something else: loves people, cares for people, even though they are different. Christ today—a religiously observant Jewish man—speaks (speaks!)—to a shunned, adulterous Samaritan woman. Here is a God who loves and cares: honors differences, and who's love overflows human-made barriers.

This month, with our theme "Outflow," we are being challenged to follow Christ and share this love, letting God's love overflow us. In worship and covenant groups, we are being challenged to practice acts of kindness, invitation, and hospitality, out of God's love. These acts are not aimed at producing anything in others, or changing them. But by these acts, we share the love of Christ with others, simply because God's love overflows us: our lives—the gift of life—is living proof.

So welcome to the journey of living the seventh mark of a disciple of Jesus: sharing his love with others.

To do so is to let God's love flow out from us to others—out of care and compassion for them, and not motivated by our fear or hope for conversion.

And so we can take heart, as broken people, with a God who is whole: for where our faith, hope, and love ends, God's begins and overflows.



### WELCOME TO ST. TIMOTHY'S.

We are glad that you are here. Newcomers and guests are welcome to use the "communication 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](mailto: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 Trotter, Facilities Manager  
Becky Blessing, Jr. High Youth Minister  
Kevin LaGassa, Sr. High Youth Minister  
Susan LaGassa & Joseph Hodgkinson, Parish Hosts  
Helen Wooldridge, Preschool Director

### THE VESTRY

David Foster, Senior Warden	Ross Johnson
Nan Fuller, Junior Warden	Sandy Watkins
John Harrison	Lianne Mintz
Bill Shreve	Jenny Nathan
Paul Hayter	John Ezell, Treasurer
Darlene Frick	

## 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 this 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 the age of 18).

Please join us for great food and fellowship.

## HOST/HOSTESS WANTED

We have an upcoming opening for someone who would enjoy hosting the Sunday Coffee Hour twice a month. This is a fun, *paid* position—a great opportunity to meet other members of the congregation while earning a little extra cash.



For more information, please contact Maly Hughes at [maly@sttims.org](mailto:maly@sttims.org).

# Baptisms

We welcome into the household of God *Laurel Jessica Howard*, 14 and *Gwen Stotts Howard*, 9 who are being baptized at the 5:00 p.m. service today. Laurel and Gwen are the daughters of Cindy and John Howard of Palo Alto. Christine Foster and Alane Kasrawi are the Sponsors for Laurel and Gwen.

Welcome Laurel and Gwen.



Our thoughts and prayers are with Grace and Tony Schmidt over the death of Grace's mother, Jane Neuvirth of Littleton, Colorado.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Christine Foster's family over the death of her five year old cousin, Suni Kay, of Taiwan. Please remember Suni's mother and father, Mae and Greg.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 27 at noon in Edwards Hall.

The Annual Meeting is a chance to celebrate who we are as a parish. We will elect new vestry members and diocesan delegates, hear a parish report, honor individuals who have given of themselves to the parish in exemplary ways, and more.

Lunch will be provided during the meeting, and childcare will be available in the nursery.

## PLAY BASKETBALL?

We have the team for you this winter...the St. Tim's Basketball team. Games start at the beginning of February.



If you are interested, shoot an email to John Heltzel at [jheltzel@gmail.com](mailto:jheltzel@gmail.com).

## DAY OF DISCOVERY

The Diocesan Commission on Ministry is preparing a "Day of Discovery" on Saturday, February 9, 2008 at St. Paul's, Salinas. This is the third time they have offered this program which has the purpose of giving individuals a way to further explore how they might respond to their calls to ministry in our churches.



The COM cordially invites members of our parish to attend this Day of Discovery. It offers the opportunity for those already doing active ministry to renew their call to a particular ministry or to explore new ways of responding to God's call.

Although this Day of Discovery is a required first step for those individuals who are discerning a call to ordained ministry, its focus is not in any way limited to these individuals. All lay persons would benefit from participating in this process.

Experience has shown that participants in our "Day of Discovery" come away having shared in a process of discernment which is rejuvenating, validating, and transforming.

Pre-registration (by February 1) to Susan Altig ([susan@edecr.org](mailto:susan@edecr.org)) will help in preparing enough materials and ordering enough lunches for the participants.

## ADULT EDUCATION

## LIVING THE SEVENTH MARK

January 16

The seventh mark of a disciple is sharing the love of Christ with others. But what does that mean? How do we share Christ's love with others in ways that respect their dignity and self-expression?

Join the Rector for the second half of this two-session seminar on Wednesday, January 16 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Through discussion, readings in Scripture, and self-reflection, we'll learn how we can share Christ's love with others. This class will complement our theme of "Outflow" this month, and will pay special attention to growing in the arts of conversation and active listening.



## DISCIPLESHIP CLASS

## MORE UPCOMING ADULT ED OPPORTUNITIES

**Doctrine of the Resurrection**

During the Easter Season  
with Thomas Smiley and Bill Dolby

an interfaith dialogue on

religion  
& VIOLENCE

untangling the roots of conflict

January 22 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

*and*

January 23 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Time to register at [www.sttims.org](http://www.sttims.org)

While people of all faiths raise prayers for peace, reports of religiously fueled violence fill the news. Critics question whether we can afford to tolerate any longer a force as destructive as religion.

Is violence an inescapable result of religious commitment, or is it a distortion, a human projection on a God in whom there is no violence? Is it the sole province of extremists, or do its roots touch all persons of faith? Do solutions to the problem lie within the traditions themselves?

Through keynote presentations and group theological reflection after each speaker, this interfaith gathering will provide opportunities to deepen understanding, build community and explore how religion can be a powerful force for peace within ourselves, our families, our communities, and the world.

Register online at [www.sttims.org](http://www.sttims.org) or contact the church office at (650) 967-4724 for registration materials.

## ADULT EDUCATION

## CONSTANTINE'S SWORD

We will present a special screening of *Constantine's Sword* on Tuesday, January 22 at 7:30 p.m. The screening is free and open to the public.

It is offered as part of our parish's participation in Trinity Institute's 2008 conference, **Religion and Violence: An Interfaith Dialogue**. (For registration information, see [www.sttims.org](http://www.sttims.org).)

*Constantine's Sword*, a documentary feature based on the book of the same title, follows former Catholic priest and author James Carroll as he explores the church's history of violence, anti-Semitism and war. Carroll, who will also speak at the conference, focused the book *Constantine's Sword* on the idea that the Holocaust was not a deviant moment in history but the result of two thousand years of anti-Semitism. He ties this detailed history to his personal journey of faith.

Director Oren Jacoby worked with Carroll to create a movie that "poses the question: Where did anyone get the idea that it was all right to kill people in the name of God?" Jacoby explores this theme in both church history and the American present, touching on the role of religion in run-up the Iraq war and evangelism in the military.

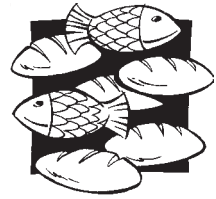
For more background on the film, please visit [www.constantinessword.com](http://www.constantinessword.com).



## 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](mailto: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.



## YOUTH MINISTRY

### JR. AND SR. HIGH YOUTH GROUP



The Jr. and Sr. High Youth Groups are meeting every Sunday evening. Come to the 5:00 p.m. service, which will be followed by dinner and youth group. Bring \$5.00 for food and come have a great time playing around and developing your relationship with God.

And stay tuned for the following activities:

January: Laser Quest, Service Extravaganza  
 February: Diocesan Youth Ski Trip, and more

*Questions?*

Sr. High

Contact Kevin LaGassa at [srhigh@sttims.org](mailto:srhigh@sttims.org).

Jr. High

Contact Becky Blessing at [jrhigh@sttims.org](mailto:jrhigh@sttims.org).

### JOIN THE TWEENS GROUP

If you are too old for Godly Play and not yet ready for Junior High Youth Group, join us for a Tweens Group on Sunday evenings. We will have time for games, discussion, projects, and a little (or maybe a lot) of Harry Potter.



The Tweens Group meets on Sunday evenings at 6:15 p.m.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

### KID MUSIC

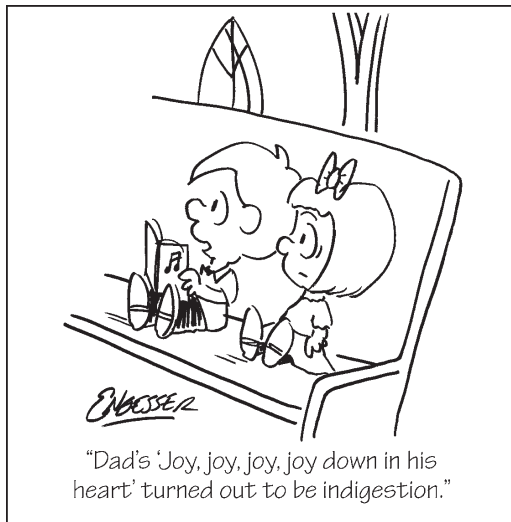
Parents and children are invited to join Music



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.



**COVENANT GROUPS**

**NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN A COVENANT GROUP**

If you are not part of a covenant group yet, please consider joining one this month. In January, all covenant groups will be reading and discussing “outward focused living in a self-focused world.” This is a parish-wide program from the book, *Outflow*, by Steve Sjogren and Dave Ping. Being a part of a covenant group will enhance this experience and enable everyone to be a full participant.

For more information, contact Anne Wilde at (408) 379-2235 or AnneAerobic@aol.com.

**COVENANT GROUP LEADER TRAINING**

We will be offering covenant group leader support and training sessions on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The next session will be:

**January 23** Pastoral and Evangelical Roles of the Covenant Group Leader

For more information, please contact Anne Wilde at anneaerobic@aol.com.



**COVENANT GROUPS**

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](mailto:stephenministry@sttims.org). The Stephen Ministry Coordinator will meet with you and prayerfully match you with one of the available Stephen Ministers.



## STEPHEN MINISTRY

**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](mailto:stephenministry@sttims.org).*



*See a Ministry  
You Want to Start?*

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE  
EPIPHANY

EXODUS 17:1-7

PSALM 30

REVELATION 22:16-17

JOHN 4:5-15

PRAYER LIST

If you have a prayer request, call the church office or email [prayer@sttims.org](mailto: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; Ann Bauer; Michelle Chang; Brian Chapman; Alice Dible; Kate Drew; Terry Field; Ann Grant; Lara Gularte; Caroline Harmon, Lillian Hefty; BJ Hem; Ron Holt; Bea Horton; Mike Lampman; Dottie Brunauer Levine; Carol Phillips; Ed Sammel; Curtis Schauf; Sylvia Schroeder; Rosemary Smiley; John Stolarik; 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.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

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, JANUARY 14

9:30 a.m. Bridge Club

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16

5:15 p.m. Kid Music  
6:00 p.m. Parish Dinner  
7:00 p.m. Rector's Class: Living the Seventh Mark

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18

7:30 p.m. Men's Group

## SERVING TODAY

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Darlene Frick	Altar Guild
Pat McCormick	
Mary Harrison	
Melissa Malley	
Claire Witzke	
Julie Hansen	
Allan Hughes	Tellers
Nancy Schaefer	
<b>7:45 a.m.</b>	
Dick Yarp	Greeter
Roy Hayter	Usher
Gwen Bindon	Lector
Darlene Frick	Eucharistic Minister
Doug Merrell	Sound
<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	
Kohler Family	Greeters
Hartford Family	Ushers
Bobby Malley	Lectors
Matthew Mendoza	
Matthew Mendoza	Acolyte
Parker Schuh	Prayer
Scott Rotondo	Eucharistic Ministers
Wyn Schuh	
Michele Trottier	
Austin Schuh	Sound
Katie Watkins	Projector
<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	
Lambert Family	Greeters
Lambert Family	Ushers
Mark Witzke	Lectors
Annie Ashmore	
Claire Witzke	Acolyte
Rita Ching	Eucharistic Ministers
Jen Ezell	
Tom Bromm	Sound
Kris Bromm	Projector



The Altar Guild is responsible for the flowers at the altar each week. The hope is that the cost of the flowers has been complemented by donations from members of the congregation. None of this cost is supported by the St. Tim's General Fund.

We invite you to sign up on the Flower Chart on the back of the front door of the church to have flowers dedicated to a loved one. The dedication might be for celebrating a birthday, anniversary, in memory of someone, or simply in thanksgiving for many blessings. The suggested donation is \$35, and even if someone else has signed up for the Sunday that you want, it is OK to have more than one dedication per week.

So that your donation can be attributed in the proper way by our money counters, please remember to clearly indicate "Flowers" or "Altar Guild" along with your contribution number on the memo line of your check. We will contact you about how you would like the dedication in the *Word Weekly* to read, or you can send that information directly to Joanna Shreve at [jrshreve@aol.com](mailto:jrshreve@aol.com).

Thank you for your support of the Altar Guild in this way.

# 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.	31
9:00 a.m.	128
10:30 a.m.	75
5:00 p.m.	35

### Finances

Actual income	\$650,405
Pledged income	\$656,000

*as of 12/31/2007*

**Thank you for your faithfulness!**

## 2008 DATES TO NOTE

January 22, 23	Webcast: Religion & Violence
January 27	Annual Meeting
February 3	Newcomers' Reception
February 5	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
February 6	Ash Wednesday
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.