



## JOURNEYS AND RISKS

Today the Magi, or wise men, make their journey to see the Christ Child. In making this journey, they take risks. They risk themselves, since the way to the child is filled with foreign people and landscapes. They risk their honor and status as wise men before King Herod. And then there's the star and road risk. As they look up to follow the star—clear against the dark night sky—I wonder if the Magi ever look down and in the darkness argue about which road to take? “The star is clear, but which direction or road should we take to get there?” Taking journeys, setting out beyond what we know, is always risky.

What journeys are you set to take this year? What are the risks? If there is no risk involved, maybe it's worth asking: is this year really a journey that I'm undertaking? Am I walking and wandering, or waiting and watching? Chronological new years and personal new years aren't always the same. How will it be for you?

Together we're invited to start in worship next week (and in covenant groups this week) a journey in faith. In our sermon series called “Outflow” through this month and into the next, you'll be challenged in personal and practical ways to let God's love “flow out” from you and overflow onto others in your life. These practices will carry risks for you should you take them on. But as journeys go,



the risks are worth it: the reward is great. The end we seek is a deeper expression of covenant community. For our community is based on God's covenant that he has established with us through our baptisms—a covenant of God's love and favor. And this love can flow out beyond us just as God's love has been shown to us—with no strings attached.

### 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 your request 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 School 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.



**YOU ARE INVITED TO "VISION" WITH OUR NEW BISHOP..**

On Saturday, January 12, at Trinity Cathedral in San Jose, our newly ordained bishop, The Rt. Rev. Mary Gray Reeves, will be leading a session on visioning for our diocese. She cordially invites all of her parishioners to join in this process of clarifying what direction our diocese should be taking in serving the church in our own communities. How can we better work together to bring the Gospel to those in our communities who are thirsty for the Good News?

Please try to join us on the 12<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Lunch is provided. Please preregister with Joanna Shreve at [joanna@sttims.org](mailto:joanna@sttims.org) or (650) 941-6436 by January 6, so that we may have enough materials and lunches for everyone.



**CHRISTMAS CARDS**



Don't throw away your holiday cards. Our preschool would love to put them to use in their art projects. If you have cards to donate, please bring them by the church office.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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.



It takes the help of many people to keep our parish and its programs running smoothly. We would like to recognize these people. If you know someone who deserves a great big Thank You, please email Chris Sudairy in the church office at [chris@sttims.org](mailto:chris@sttims.org).

Many thanks to our talented Altar Guild and volunteers who helped decorate the church for Christmas. It was truly beautiful. And thanks to all those who made floral donations in December, to help make it possible.

A big thank you to the 32 people who served as readers during Lessons and Carols. You made all four services very special.

Thanks to Kathy Mendoza and Melissa Malley for organizing the 2007 Christmas Pageant. You did a wonderful job.

Thanks to Jennifer Ezell and Peggy Aoki for preparing the fabulous Sunday dinners that follow the 5:00 p.m. service. Our teens, tweens and young adults appreciate all that you do.

And thanks to Jennifer Ezell for coordinating the African Ministries Sale, raising over \$1,100 to support the Church’s work among our brothers and sisters in East Africa.

## ADULT EDUCATION

## LIVING THE SEVENTH MARK

**January 9 and 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 this two-session seminar on Wednesday evenings from 6:45 to 8:00 p.m. on January 9 and 16. 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.



## MORE UPCOMING ADULT ED OPPORTUNITIES

**"Outflow"**

A Parish Study Series in January and February

**Doctrine of the Resurrection**

During the Easter Season  
with Thomas Smiley and Bill Dolby

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION  
CPR AND FIRST AID CLASS**Saturday, January 12**

The parish clergy and staff will be getting a CPR class this week—and so can you.

Anne Wilde, AHA Basic Life Support Instructor, is teaching both a CPR class and First Aid class on Saturday, January 12



in the Guild Room. Anyone age 12 and older is encouraged to learn these life saving skills and earn a certification card valid for two years.

Here are the details:

**Heartsaver CPR/AED** class runs from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. and includes Adult, Child, Infant CPR and AED (automated external defibrillator).

**Heartsaver First Aid** class runs from 11:15 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. and includes basic first aid for medical, injury, and environmental emergencies.

Take one class for \$40 or both for \$70. Family discounts are available.

Please pre-register by emailing Anne at [AnneAerobic@aol.com](mailto:AnneAerobic@aol.com) or calling (408) 379-2235.

Need more info? Go to Anne's website, at [www.AnneAerobic.com](http://www.AnneAerobic.com).

## ADULT EDUCATION

an interfaith dialogue on

religion  
& VIOLENCE  
untangling the roots of conflict

On January 22 and 23, 2008, you are invited to a live webcast from Trinity Institute with theological reflection at St. Timothy's. Explore with a panel of leading theologians how religion becomes entangled with violence and what the resources are within each tradition for living together in peace, without losing unique identities.

The keynote speakers are James Carroll, James H. Cone, Susannah Heschel, and Tariq Ramadan, with Katharine Jefferts Schori as preacher.

Register online now at [www.sttims.org](http://www.sttims.org).

## Outflow BOOKS ARE HERE

Beginning in January, all covenant groups will be reading and discussing "outward focused living in a self-focused world."

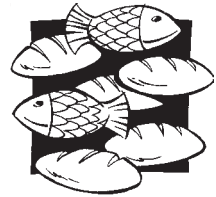
This is a parish-wide program from the book, *Outflow*, by Steve Sjogren and Dave Ping. Copies of *Outflow* are now available in the Church office for \$10.



## 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**

- 1:15 p.m. Anne Wilde (408) 379-2235  
& Nan Fuller (408) 736-4662
- 7:30 p.m. Alan Twhigg (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  
Linda Peterson (650) 947-9971
- 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

**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. Bill Dolby (650) 714-0953  
& Bill Shreve (650) 941-6436
- 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 (650) 938-4113

**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**

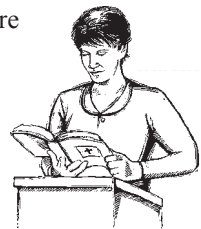
*For confidential Christian care through Stephen Ministry, call 650-967-4724 or email [stephenministry@sttims.org](mailto:stephenministry@sttims.org).*

**LECTORS (READERS) NEEDED**

Looking for a way to get more involved at St. Tim's?

Lectors are currently being sought for all service times.

Readers of all ages are invited to participate.



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

EPIPHANY

ISAIAH 60:1-6,9

PSALM 72

EPHESIANS 3:1-12

MATTHEW 2:1-12

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; Brian Chapman; Alice Dible; Kate Drew; Terry Field; Ann Grant; Lara Gulate; Caroline Harmon, Lillian Hefty; BJ Hem; Ron Holt; Bea Horton; Suni Kay; Mike Lampman; Dottie Brunauer Levine; Jane Neuvirth; Carol Phillips; Ed Sammel; Curtis Schauf; Sylvia Schroeder; Rosemary Smiley; 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 6

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

5:15 p.m. Kid Music

6:00 p.m. Parish Dinner

6:45 p.m. Rector's Class: Living the Seventh Mark



## SERVING TODAY

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Althea Parks	Altar Guild
Jennifer Mackey	
Dottie Levine	
Laurie Hartford	
Wyn Schuh	
Margo Siewert	
Sierra Duggan	
Wendy Edwards	

Pat Ryan	Tellers
Sue Ryan	

**7:45 a.m.**

Donna Fuzere	Greeter
Althea Parks	Usher
Barbara Blancke	Lectors
Joanna Shreve	Eucharistic Minister
Doug Merrell	Sound

**9:00 a.m.**

Hartford Family	Greeters
John Harrison	Ushers
Kevin Fliess	
Katie Watkins	Lectors
Nick Felipa	
Katie Watkins	Acolyte
Natalie Six	Prayer
Karin Dutra	Eucharistic Ministers
Madeleine Gerdes	
Laura Casellas	
Austin Schuh	Sound
Eric Berg	Projector

**10:30 a.m.**

Bob Parsons	Greeter
Slakey Family	Ushers
Peggy Aoki	Lectors
Rita Ching	
Ana Ezell	Acolyte
Lavonne Bieber	Eucharistic Ministers
Rita Ching	
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 underway. We will open registration to the public on January 7.

We have openings in our 3 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 4 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.	25
9:00 a.m.	70
10:30 a.m.	62
5:00 p.m.	45

### Finances

Actual income	\$558,238
Pledged income	\$599,231

*as of 11/30/2007*

## 2008 DATES TO NOTE

January 22, 23	Webcast: Religion & Violence
January 27	Annual Meeting
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.