



ACTS 10: 34-43

LIVING THE POWER OF THE RESURRECTION

Does God play favorites? Does God love some people or peoples more than others? In our reading from the Book of Acts today we listen to the apostle Peter weigh in. He stands in the home of Cornelius, a God fearing (or some might say today God loving) Roman centurion. Cornelius had sent for Peter to come to his house. But this creates real problems: Peter is a Jew and Cornelius a Gentile. This means that Peter is not supposed to eat with Cornelius; Peter is an observant Jew and to eat with Gentiles violates the faith. But in the midst of these differences, God shows a way.

Peter had his famous vision two days before, in which a large sheet was lowered to the ground, full of all manner of creatures. A voice told Peter to kill and eat. And when he protested that he had never eaten anything unclean or profane, a voice said, “What God has made clean, you shall not call profane.”

On arriving at Cornelius’ house Peter applies this lesson. He refuses now to regard his Gentile host as unclean. And he thus proclaims today, “God shows no partiality.” In other words, God does not play favorites. And though uncomfortable, Peter follows God’s lead and is at peace with the differences between his host and himself. They celebrate a meal together. And by this act, and what follows, a great distance between two men is spanned.



The resurrected life, which God invites us into through Jesus, can move us to span differences between ourselves and others. God spans life and death through resurrection. God spans this realm and others. God spans one people and another. We learn through Jesus that He favors, or loves, all people—all of creation—and yet today we see He does not play favorites. Jew and Gentile, slave and free, He loves without partiality. This raises implications for us, too.

Do you know that favor, or love of God? Do you see how we might follow God into difference-spanning in our own lives? For God’s love can help you span differences that you have with others. *(continued on page 5)*

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
Michele Trottier, Facilities Manager
Anne Wilde, Covenant Group Coordinator
Becky Blessing, Youth Coordinator
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
Christopher 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



A Special
THANK YOU



Special thanks to Althea Parks for generously donating an updated freezer for our kitchen.

And thanks to Ryan Pease and Bryan Wilde, who moved the old freezer out and the new one in.

PRIEST EXECUTIVE ON SABBATICAL AFTER EASTER

Beginning next week, Maly will take a sabbatical followed by a vacation. Leaders are stepping forward to take parts of Maly's role so that there is continuity in ministry while she is away. Maly will return in early July to resume her ministry in our parish.



Following is a list of leaders who are assuming her roles until her return.

Administration: Rita Ching, Nan Fuller

Pastoral Care: Susan Slakey, Gwen Bindon

Godly Play: Wyn Schuh

5:00 Service: Myu Campbell, Cindy Howard

If you have a need while Maly is away, please contact these people.

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,

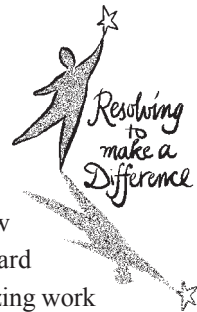
following "Kid Music" with Peter Sammel.

"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.

PLEASE JOIN US

Ever wonder what you—one person—could do to make a difference? Join us on Tuesday, March 25 at 7:00 p.m. to learn how fellow parishioner Connie Finch heard a call, and is now doing amazing work with poor families in Romania. We'll eat Romanian treats, see slides, and hear Connie share her story—how God provided what she needed, when she needed it, each step of the way.



Our gathering will be at the home of Nancy Schaefer, 49 Showers Drive #A142, Mountain View.

So we'll have plenty of Romanian treats for each of you, R.S.V.P. to Becky Mikkelsen (650) 428-0564 or bmikkels2001@yahoo.com.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

Drama Ministry Forming

The Children's Ministry Initiative has been brainstorming over the past few weeks for ways to create a vibrant, engaging, parish-wide ministry that will foster intergenerational relationships across all four services and allow the children of St. Tim's to make a significant contribution to our community, both within the parish and beyond. We've decided that a St. Tim's drama troupe may be a wonderful way to engage many ages of our parish, and for many of us to get involved, in both large and small ways.



We will meet on March 30, the Sunday after Easter, at 10:30 a.m. to strategize and vision together what a drama program at St. Tim's might look like, and what we can do as a parish to make that happen. We'd love to have as many brainstormers as possible join us at this meeting—showing up to provide fresh insight and perspective does *not* commit you to directing a production or designing a set.

Come join us for an exciting, grassroots effort to kickstart one of our Revisioning initiatives. All thespians, set constructionists, costume designers, choreographers, musicians, sound or light technicians, and parishoners committed to making St. Timothy's an engaging community for youth of all ages...*stay tuned.*

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.



EMPTY BOWLS FUND RAISER

The Empty Bowls Soup Supper will take place on Sunday, April 13, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Central Seventh Day Adventist Church on Springer Road in Mountain View.



A delicious meal of soup, salad, bread, cake and beverage—including a beautiful handmade bowl to take home—is yours for a minimum donation of \$15. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit the homeless in our County.

If you can't attend the dinner, please visit the pottery boutique to shop for unique gifts—just in time for Mother's Day.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

May 23 and 24

Too much stuff in the garage? Can't fit your stuff into the closet? Then we can help.



The Children's Ministry Rummage Sale is coming and you can donate all the old stuff you no longer need. The sale will be held Friday and Saturday, May 23 and 24. We are organizing now, and folks will be needed to assist in picking up large items, sorting merchandise, set up, clean up, and selling.

Please contact Pat McCormick or Alane Kasrawi if you are so excited that you can't stand it. Lots to do in the next two months.



EASTER MONDAY

The church office will be closed on Easter Monday, March 24. The rest of Easter Week, Tuesday through Friday, we'll be open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

LIVING THE POWER OF THE RESURRECTION *(continued)*

God in Jesus is looking for people who first love God. Background, national heritage, political or social views, etc. are what God looks past. He looks for the heart. And with our hearts turned towards God we are challenged to follow him, as Peter does, and do likewise in our own lives.

The resurrection, in other words, is what God does with Jesus; but what we can do with the resurrection is follow God's lead. We are not alone. For a God who has spanned the ultimate differences shows us a way, and gives His help, to show no partiality. Living in the power of the resurrection means we can walk with God, and take steps to move beyond playing favorites—sticking to our own kind—and instead simply to favor, or love without partiality. The power of the resurrection means that (beyond what we can do alone) with God's help, our differences can be spanned.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

THANK YOU

The toys are lined up and sparkling clean. The dress-up clothes have made their way through the washing machine. The books and puzzles are stacked neatly in their shelves. It's like Mary Poppins has been by to play, "Let's Tidy up the Nursery." Thanks to Michele Trottier, Mary Kay Paul, Mary Harrison, April Hebert, Annett Inacker Trail, Bill Herwood, Sue Fleiss, and Christine Foster for giving up their Saturday morning to get the Ark clean again.

Missed us this time? We'll do it all over again in the late summer/early fall. Check your *Word Weekly* for dates and times.



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.



VACATION BIBLE CAMP 2008

Vacation Bible Camp starts Monday, August 4. For a whole week, we will have a Beach Party as we go surfing through the Scriptures.



This year's camp will help children develop five "Be"-Attitudes: be obedient, be kind, be forgiving, be bold in their faith, and believe in God. We will meet from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon to sing songs, play games, watch Bible dramas acted out, make crafts, do science experiments, and enjoy snacks.

We welcome all children age three and over to Vacation Bible Camp.

Kids in grades three through five will have a special opportunity to enjoy their own program, including a special community service project.

Kids entering sixth grade or older take on responsibility as counselors-in-training, and have a great time helping the younger kids and being part of the camp team.

Camp fees are \$40 for children age 4-11. There is no fee for counselors in training. Don't let the fees keep you away—scholarships are available.

Space in our program is limited, so please register early. With each paid registration, your family will receive a CD with the inspiring camp songs, so they will arrive ready to hit the waves in August.

Register online at www.stims.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.

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

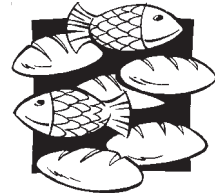
How would you like to spend spring break in warm, sunny, Tijuana, Mexico, with carloads of friends, amazing authentic food, and wonderful playful children?

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.

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.

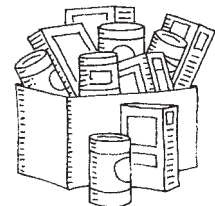
If you can double your favorite recipe and provide dinner to a family, or spare some time to help, contact Annett Inacker-Trail at (650) 988-8042 or annett_trail@yahoo.com.

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.



ADULT EDUCATION

**BECOMING THE PARENT
YOU WANT TO BE**



Class and Discussion Group

Before I got married I had six theories about bringing up children; now I have six children, and no theories. ~John Wilmot

Are you out of theories? Stuck with no strategies? Mystified by mothering or frustrated by fathering? Join us for five weeks of lecture, discussion, brainstorming and play about parenting. The class will focus on parenting during the first five years.

Based on the book *Becoming the Parent you Want to Be* by Laura Davis and Janis Keyser, which is available on Amazon.com. Please purchase the book before class begins.

Class meets Sundays, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, for five weeks.

April 6: Values and purpose. Overview of child development. *Chapters 1, 2, 5*

April 20: Learning through play. Temperament and emotions. *Chapters 6, 10, 11, 22*

May 4: Limit Setting. *Chapters 18, 19, 20, 21*

May 18: Children’s Friendships: conflict and cooperation. *Chapters 23, 24, 28*

June 1: Developing a Parenting Community. *Chapters 4, 8, 9, 27*

Cindy Howard, PhD, IBCLC, has worked with families and young children for almost 15 years. She holds a California credential in parent education and has been an instructor at PreSchool Family since 1999. She has three daughters and is enjoying parenting two teenagers at once.

Please RSVP to Cindy at cindysh@sonic.net.

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 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
- 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.



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.*



EASTER DAY

ACTS 10:34-43

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

JOHN 20:1-18

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: Sherry Delaney; Kate Drew; The Dutra Family; Terry Field; BJ Hem; Holly Hem; Ron Holt; Dottie Brunauer Levine; Ed Sammel; The Sellers Family; The Vieira Family; the Diocese of El Camino Real and Bishop Mary; the children of La Roca and those who care for them; Stephen Ministers and their care receivers; members of the armed forces, especially Kernan Dibble and Corporal Tony Garibay; and Nancy Livak, serving in the Peace Corps in Belize.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, MARCH 23



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

MONDAY, MARCH 24

- Office Closed
- 9:30 a.m. Bridge Club

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26

- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study
- 5:15 p.m. Kid Music
- 6:00 p.m. Parish Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

FRIDAY, MARCH 28

- 7:30 p.m. Women's Fellowship

SERVING TODAY

Dolores Goodman	Altar Guild
Jen Ezell	
Donna Fuzere	
Mary Harrison	
Melissa Malley	
Claire Witzke	
Julie Hansen	
Nyna Dolby	
Jill Stolarik	Tellers
Jennifer Olsen	
7:45 a.m.	
Keith Samuel	Greeter
Frick Family	Ushers
Gwen Bindon	Lector
Diane Dubois	Eucharistic Minister
Bill Shreve	Sound
9:00 a.m.	
Hartford Family	Greeters
Casellas Family	Ushers
Matthew Mendoza	Lectors
Travis Schuh	
Nick Felipe	Prayer
Lucas Mendoza	Acolyte
Madeleine Gerdes	Eucharistic Ministers
Wyn Schuh	
Scott Rotondo	
Parker Schuh	Sound
Eric Berg	Projector
10:30 a.m.	
Wilde Family	Greeters
Slakey & Wilde Families	Ushers
Rita Ching	Lectors
Tom Stolarik	
Claire Witzke	Acolyte
Jill Stolarik	Eucharistic Ministers
Grace Schmidt	
Ryan Pease	Sound
Mark Witzke	Projector



EASTER FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The Easter flowers are given to the Glory of God by:

Darlene and Nelson Frick

In memory of Darlene's parents

Louis and Frances DeGennaro

Virginia Holt and her three children

In loving memory of her husband

and their father, Donald Holt

Maly and Allan Hughes

In loving memory of their parents,

Mary London James Carswell and

Matthew Jackson Carswell,

Rhoda Silver Hughes and

James Bernard Hughes

Jacqueline Kahvar

In memory of Matthew J. and Edith Piccini

Jessica Larse-Fuller, Amanda and Emily Larse

In thanksgiving for their grandparents

Oma Janet, Opa Manfred, Grammy Alice,

and in loving memory of Papa George

Althea Parks

In loving memory of Tom

Dick Yarp

In loving memory of his wife

Charlotte R. Yarp

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.	38
9:00 a.m.	165
10:30 a.m.	69
5:00 p.m.	45

Finances

Actual income	\$70,722
Pledged income	\$98,000

as of 2/29/2008

2008 DATES TO NOTE

April 6	Bishop's Visit
May 11	Pentecost
May 23 & 24	Rummage Sale
May 30 - June 2	Men's Retreat
June 8	Parish Barbeque

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.