



SAINT TIMOTHY'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Word

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PALM SUNDAY



L'entrée de Jésus à Jérusalem

A SPECIAL NOTE TO OUR NEWCOMERS AND GUESTS TODAY

Welcome to St. Timothy's. We are glad that you are here. Newcomers and guests are welcome to use the "connection 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 the church office or email our Priest Executive, The Rev. Maly Hughes 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 Hughes, Priest Executive

THE STAFF

Christina Sudairy, Communications Director
Peter Sammel, Music Director
Robert Seifert, Financial Administrator
Steve Swayze, Facilities Manager
Anne Wilde, Covenant Group Coordinator
Nancy Livak, Youth Coordinator
Wyn Schuh, Godly Play Coordinator
Joseph Hodgkinson, Parish Hosts
Helen Wooldridge, Preschool Director

THE VESTRY

Michael Diamond, Sr. Warden	Jennifer Ezell, Jr. Warden
Beto Casellas	Nelson Frick
John Heltzel	Sue-Ellen Johnson
Lianne Mintz	Sandy Watkins
Christopher Paul	John Ezell, Treasurer
Lavonne Bieber, Clerk	

THE SEVEN MARKS OF A DISCIPLE

At the heart of our parish is Jesus' call and challenge to be His disciples or followers today through contemporary spiritual disciplines. 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 Sunday worship regularly.
3. One who makes a daily quiet time with God.
4. One who honors the tithe as the biblical standard of faithful financial giving.
5. One who participates regularly in a Covenant Group or Ministry Team as a means of personal support in community.
6. One who uses his/her spiritual gifts to reach out and bless others in our church and community.
7. One who reaches out, in the love of Christ, to invite others to grow as His disciples.

If you are interested in these Christian practices, or would like more information, please contact Maly at (650) 967-4724 or maly@sttims.org.

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

GET OUT OF THE KITCHEN



Join us for dinner this week. 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 \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children, and a \$30.00 maximum per family (including parents and children under 18).

Please join us for great food and fellowship.

THANKS FOR OUR SUNDAY MORNING HOSPITALITY

A huge thanks to all who have served our Sunday morning hospitality ministry.



Sign-up sheets for April, May and June are up on the bulletin board in Edwards Hall. Please add your name to one of the upcoming Sundays for the service that you attend. It usually takes less than 30 minutes to complete the duties for each of the services. Many hands make light work—and so many people enjoy the hospitality made possible by this service. Many blessings to all who continue to support this ministry.

FILL THE ARK FOR HEIFER INTERNATIONAL



Heifer Ark banks will be collected today.

Ballots will be distributed and the children will get to choose which animals they would like to purchase for donation.

To donate to Heifer, please make a check out to St. Timothy's with "Heifer" in the notes. If you have questions, or can help with the collection and counting, email Susan Pimlott at susanandluke@comcast.net.

CELL PHONE EMERGENCY NUMBERS



Thanks to all the parishioners who stayed after services last Sunday to learn about our new life saving AED. During that time, we discussed the importance of using a land line to dial 911, whenever available. But sometimes we only have access to our cell phones.

In California, when 9-1-1 calls are placed from cellular phones, they are routed to the California Highway Patrol (CHP). Delays can result because calls are answered by out-of-area CHP dispatchers. Unlike regular telephone lines, cellular phones do not provide dispatchers with important location information of the caller. The best way to reach emergency services with your cell phone is to program the seven digit number for each 911 Center in Santa Clara County as listed at www.sccfd.org/telephone.html

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Our Bishop, Mary Gray-Reeves will be with us at all services on Sunday, April 19. 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.



Confirmation Class takes place on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in being Confirmed or Received during Bishop Mary's visit, please contact Maly Hughes at maly@sttims.org.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Stanford Blood Mobile will be here on Sunday, April 19 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please consider giving the gift of life. You can schedule an appointment by calling the church office at (650) 967-4724. Walk-in donors will be welcomed on a space-available basis.

In general, anyone who is at least 17 years of age (16 with parent permission), is in good health and weighs 110 pounds or more is eligible to donate. You may NOT donate if you have had hepatitis, have a current heart condition other than a murmur, or have engaged in activities that may put you at risk for AIDS. Ten people needed blood while you read this.



TRAINING

The Rev. Kathey Crowe has agreed to train our parish (staff, vestry, Godly Play Team, childcare workers, youth team, etc.) on "Safeguarding God's Children"—a diocesan requirement for anyone working with children.

Training will be held on Saturday, April 25 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. For more information, please contact Maly Hughes at maly@sttims.org.

THE RUMMAGE SALE NEEDS YOU
...AND A FEW OTHER THINGS

Hanging racks are needed. We will also need hangers, folding ladders that can be used for clothes racks, buckets for section signs, shelves, boxes for sorting, and bags for day of sale.

We need volunteers to head up the Electronics, Housewares, Tools and Furniture sections.

Please contact Mary Harrison at maryharrison@earthlink.net or Mary Kay Paul at mkjpaul@aim.com for more information.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEANING OF HOLY WEEK

Holy Week is the last week of Lent, the week immediately preceding Easter Sunday. It is observed in many Christian churches as a time to commemorate and enact the suffering (Passion) and death of Jesus through various observances and services of worship.

The conclusion to the week is called the Triduum (a *triduum* is a space of three days usually accompanying a church festival or holy days that are devoted to special prayer and observance). The Triduum begins Thursday evening of Holy Week with Eucharist and concludes with the celebration of Easter Day.

Holy Week observances call us to move beyond the joyful celebrations of Palm Sunday and Easter, and focus on the suffering, humiliation, and death that is part of Holy Week. It is important to place the hope of the resurrection, the promise of newness and life, against the background of death and endings. It is only in walking through the shadows and darkness of Holy Week and Good Friday, only in realizing the horror and magnitude of sin and its consequences in the world incarnated in the dying Jesus on the cross, only in contemplating the ending and despair that the disciples felt on Holy Saturday, that we can truly understand the light and hope of Sunday morning.

Please join us this week.

HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday, April 9

Foot Washing & Holy Eucharist	7:00 p.m.
Prayer Vigil (<i>see note below</i>)	8:00 p.m.

Good Friday, April 10

Good Friday Liturgy	12:00 p.m.
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Holy Saturday, April 11

Easter Egg Hunt	10:00 a.m.
Easter Vigil (<i>see note below</i>)	8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 12

Holy Eucharist	7:45 a.m.
Eucharist for Children & Families (<i>see note below</i>)	9:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist	10:30 a.m.

Prayer Vigil

The Prayer Vigil is from the Maundy Thursday Service through the Easter Vigil. If you would like to participate, please contact Nyna Dolby at nlcdolb@yahoo.com.

**Easter Flowering of the Cross
at the 9:00 a.m. Service**

All children and families are asked to bring several flowers to help us decorate our cross on Easter morning. Please share your extra flowers so that all the children can participate.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PICTURE DIRECTORIES

We still have some 2007/2008 Directories from Olan Mills. They are available for pick up at the back of the church, as well as in the church office, for those who would like a copy.

Due to the limited supply, one directory per family, please.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Lifes rising waters
left you feeling
Alone?

**Start Building a Bridge**

Call (650) 967-4724 or Email
stephenministry@sttims.org

MUSIC MINISTRY

AWAKE, MY SOUL, AND SING

Today's traditional hymn #154 *All glory laud and honor* has been sung to a tune by William H. Monk since 1861. The words were translated from the original Latin by John Mason Neale ten years earlier. Like many traditional hymns, its origins are part fact and part, perhaps, fanciful fiction.

The story goes that the emperor Charlemagne relied on the theologian Theodulf, also the bishop of Orleans, to provide epitaphs or commemorative lines as a sort of court poet laureate. After Charlemagne's death, Theodulf was falsely accused of plotting against Louis the Pious—Charlemagne's successor. Theodulf was locked up in a monastery. Later, a Palm Sunday procession passed by Theodulf's cell. Theodulf cried out "All glory laud and honor, to thee, redeemer King, To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring." Louis was so moved, he ordered Theodulf released. This was Palm Sunday AD 817.

I remember singing this hymn walking around the church in a long Palm Sunday procession. The front of the procession was lead by the strong voices of the choir and the sound and singing would dwindle weakly to those in the back. The last notes would finish from the back sometime after the choir had already entered the church. For many people it is not Palm Sunday without *All glory laud and honor*.

DEANERY NEWS

CAPERNAUM FELLOWSHIP

The Santa Clara Valley Deanery has enthusiastically agreed to sponsor and develop a new ministry called Capernaum Fellowship. This is a re-entry program for ex-offenders and their families to be held at Trinity Cathedral in San Jose, chosen for its central location with good public transport options. We expect it to be a weekly program having three parts:

- 1) a time for worship (liturgies may be as structured as a Eucharist or as open and spontaneous as an extemporaneous “Prayers of the People;”
- 2) a fellowship time (a meal shared by our guests as well as those preparing the meal); and
- 3) a “resource time” for training and/or discussion of topics which help individuals to become more self-sustaining. We will be providing a program for children during the “resource time” for adults.

The focus of this program will be to provide a Christian community for families, supporting them as they make the very difficult adjustment of re-entering the outside world and their families after being incarcerated in our jail system. We will have information on where to refer people for different services such as food pantries, clothes closets, free meals, various trainings for jobs, etc. but Capernaum Fellowship will not be providing those types

of services itself. Instead, our program will encourage volunteers to serve the Capernaum Fellowship community in ways similar to being in their home parishes, where families and individuals experience a sense of love, acceptance and support.

We have identified five areas where we need people to volunteer:

- 1) people interested in developing meaningful liturgy;
- 2) people willing to help with the meal that we will provide (we have money for the first year and have some ideas on how to do this very simply, cheaply and easily);
- 3) people willing to work on short programs to help strengthen life skills, etc.;
- 4) people willing to help with short programs for children and teens (Godly Play, etc.)
- 5) several people to work on communications, helping with publicity, developing flyers, etc.

We hope to develop a large roster of people who feel called to this new ministry, developing a rota system whereby most people will only serve once a month or even bi-monthly. If you feel called to this ministry, or would like to learn more about this program, please email Joanna Shreve at jrshreve@aol.com. An organizational meeting for this new ministry will be held on Tuesday, April 21 at 7:30 p.m., place to be determined.

PRAYER CORNER

“The first thing I want you to do is pray. Pray every way you know how, for everyone you know. Pray especially for rulers and their governments to rule well so we can be quietly about our business of living simply, in humble contemplation. This is the way our Savior God wants us to live.”

I Timothy 2:1-3 (Message translation)

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER

A marvelous way to combine prayer and scripture is through “lectio divina.” In this practice, we take one of the readings scheduled for the coming Sunday’s service, and read it four times. With these four readings, followed by some quiet time we will have a chance to:



Read—hear the Word

Reflect—listen within, to what the scripture is saying to us

Respond—listen to the prayer that arises from deep within on listening to the scripture, and

Rest—letting go to peace and silence, trusting that God knows our prayers

We will lead you gently through this. You don’t need to remember anything or “do” anything special. This can be a gentle time with God. And when you hear the scripture again on Sunday it sounds very different and it can reach you more deeply.

The Contemplative Prayer group warmly invites you to join us this Thursday for lectio divina, 7:15 to 8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH GROUP

Please join us this Sunday for our usual Meetings. One of the things we’ll be doing is stuffing eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday.



Did you know there are Confirmation Classes for Youth on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. with Scott Boding? Talk with Maly right away if this is something you’re interested in or would like to learn more about.

Mark your calendars for these upcoming YOUTH Events:

April 5 Palm Sunday - Regular Youth Groups (Youth stuff Easter eggs)

April 11 Easter Egg Hunt at 10:00 a.m. We are looking for youth to help with this fun event. Come early on Saturday to help hide the eggs. This a fun way to be of service. Nancy has more details.

April 12 NO Youth Groups - Easter Sunday

April 19 Bishop Mary here at all services - Youth confirmations :) - Youth Groups meet at regular times

April 26 MOVIE Night - All youth meet from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. - Bring a friend

HOPE TO SEE YOU TONIGHT.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



SAVE THE DATE

The annual Easter Egg Hunt is on Saturday, April 11 at 10:00 a.m. SHARP. (NOTE: the start time is 10:00 a.m. *not* 11:00 a.m. this year.)

Bring your little ones to enjoy a fun time hunting for eggs at church. There will be sections for different ages, up to nine years old, so everyone will get six eggs with treasures in them. Be sure to bring a basket for each of your children.

We are so fortunate to have help from the Youth Group and Covenant Groups for stuffing eggs. We still need volunteers to bring goodies (cookies, cupcakes, fruit, etc.) and non-sweet drinks for kids. There is a sign up sheet posted in Edwards Hall. Or, you can contact Debbie Kundrat at (650) 968-1240 or debbiedesoto@kundrat.net to volunteer to bring treats or help with the hunt.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

FLOWERING OF THE CROSS AT THE 9:00 A.M. EASTER SERVICE

All children and families are asked to bring several cut flowers to help us decorate our cross on Easter morning, April 12.

Please, if you can, bring extra flowers for our newcomers that morning, too.



LOOKING FOR A PLACE FOR YOUR KIDS THIS SUMMER?

From August 3 through 7, St. Timothy's will be transformed into Camp E.D.G.E.—an action-packed, adrenaline-filled expedition that teaches kids their strength and might come from God. All children age three and over are welcome.



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 each child will come to camp ready to live on the E.D.G.E. in their faith. Register online at <http://www.stims.org/family/vbc.shtml>.

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
& Wyn Schuh (408) 736-4662
- 8:00 p.m. Susan Pimlott (408) 736-8848
Christine Foster (650) 567-9755

Tuesdays

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

- 9:30 a.m. Cindy Howard (650) 424-9741
- 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
- 8:00 p.m. Will Watkins (408) 867-6063
- 8:00 p.m. Steven Schumaker-Trottier (650) 279-1407
& David Foster (650) 567-9755

Thursdays

- 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

ALTAR GUILD



PALM CROSSES

Everyone will receive a palm cross at today's services. The crosses have a pin so they can be worn. Wear your cross today and tell people about Palm Sunday.

The palm fronds were given by Becky Mikkelsen in memory of her father, Benjamin Phillips.

Thank you to everyone who folded crosses on Saturday morning.



EASTER FLOWER OFFERING

Envelopes are enclosed in this bulletin for those who wish to give towards the Easter flowers. Contributions may be made in memory or in thanksgiving. Please be sure and fill out the envelope if you would like the memorial or thanksgiving to be listed in the *Word Weekly*.

SERVING TODAY

John Ezell	Tellers
Nancy Schaefer	
7:45 a.m.	
Althea Parks	Altar Guild
Dottie Levine	
Chuck Utley	Newcomer Welcome
Althea Parks	Greeters/Ushers
Nelson Frick	
Barbara Blancke	Lector
Althea Parks	Eucharistic Minister
Gwen Bindon	Healing Prayer
TBA	Sound
9:00 a.m.	
Mary Harrison	Altar Guild
The Harrison Family	Newcomer Welcome
The Harrison Family	Greeters/Ushers
Nick Felipa	Lectors
Lucas Mendoza	
Audrey Wolfe	Prayer
Katie Watkins	Acolyte
Larry Mendoza	Eucharistic Ministers
Madeleine Gerdes	
Michele Trottier	
Kristin Ellis	Healing Prayer
Eric Berg	Sound
Jordan Wolfe	Projector
Allen Dutra	Floor Director
10:30 a.m.	
Claire Witzke	Altar Guild
Julia Ezell	
The Wilde Family	Newcomer Welcome
The Wilde Family	Greeters/Ushers
Tom Slakey	Lectors
Charlotte Six	
Julia Ezell	Acolyte
Grace Schmidt	Eucharistic Ministers
Jen Ezell	
Becky Mikkelson	Healing Prayer
Mark Witzke	Sound
Chaz Gwennap	Projector
Ken Livak	Floor Director

THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

ISAIAH 45:21-25

PSALM 22:1-11

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

PASSION READING:

MARK 14:32-15:47

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: Alexis Briski; The Constanz Family; Rob Courtney; Kate Drew; Terry Field; Betty Sue Frost; Ron Holt; Mateo Kohler; Elizabeth Luce; Bob Parsons; Ed Sammel; Kris Smiley; Alden Speck-Ewer; St. Edward's Parish, San Jose; 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 Brendon Williams.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

- 7:45 a.m. Worship
9:00 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Godly Play
9:50 a.m. Breakfast Club
10:30 a.m. Worship
12:30 p.m. Social Media/Facebook Team Mtg
5:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group
6:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth Group



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

- 9:30 a.m. Jesus in the Gospels
5:15 p.m. Kid Music
6:00 p.m. Parish Dinner
6:45 p.m. Jesus in the Gospels
7:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

THURSDAY, APRIL 9

- 7:00 p.m. Foot Washing & Holy Eucharist
7:15 p.m. Contemplative Prayer
8:00 p.m. Prayer Vigil

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

- 12:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

- 10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil

LAST WEEK'S WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

7:45 a.m.	23
9:00 a.m.	116
10:30 a.m.	85

Finances

Pledges received to date:	\$114,781
Budgeted pledges:	\$503,000

as of 3/31/2009

2009 DATES TO NOTE

- April 11 Easter Egg Hunt
April 12 Easter Day
April 19 Bishop's Visit
April 19 Blood Drive
April 25 Safeguarding God's Children
May 15-17 Men's Retreat
August 3-7 Vacation Bible Camp

SUNDAY SERVICES

7:45 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

**Sermon, Holy Communion, Traditional
and Contemporary Music.**

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