

THE WORD

ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2011



Welcome!

For Our Guests Today

Welcome to St. Timothy's. We are glad that you are here. You are welcome to use the "connection card" at the end of 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 ushers at the door as you leave today.

Outreach: We need a new Word

When I was 22 years old, and absolutely on-fire about my re-found, new-found Christianity, I re-wrote the Nicene Creed. I wrote it from my perspective: a person who lived for social justice activism. If it had been a hymn it would have gone like Malvina Reynolds' classic:

“It isn't nice to block the doorways, it isn't nice to go to jail,
there are nicer ways to do it, but the nice ways always fail.”

I brought it to my priest, who was as orthodox as anyone could be. His face fell taking in my newly created trinity, something like picketing, pacifism, and prayer. I was all about bringing together the inspiration I received from worship, scripture, music and community with my belief that God's purpose is for human thriving, not hurting. I believed that faith lived daily would cause a daily change in me and slowly change the world. I still have this belief.

Enter what is referred to by some as “Public Theology,” doing our theology in and for the world.

Congregational outreach is about doing public **theology**. It bids us ask ourselves as a faith-based community: How does Christian faith address matters of society and the globe? The temptation to make Christianity solely about Sunday morning has always been great. But really, how can we leave out issues such as the widening gap between rich and poor, and the lack of health care in so many places? How can we leave genetic research and ecology and the practical questions of human rights outside of the tall doors that house our common life of prayer?

See you in Church,

Janet+



A Collect for Discernment (during our Rector Search):

O God of unchangeable power and light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things are made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

7:45 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

Opening Acclamation	BCP, p. 355
The Collect of the Day	
First Reading	Exodus 12:1-14
Psalms	Psalms 149
Gospel Reading	Matthew 18:15-20
Reflections on Outreach	Annett Trail Jen Ezell Bill Shreve
The Nicene Creed	BCP, p. 358
Prayers of the People	BCP, p. 388
The Confession	
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Eucharistic Prayer C	BCP, p. 369
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Blessing	
Hymn #376	<i>Joyful, joyful, we adore thee</i>

Today's Readings

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalms 149

Matthew 18:15-20



**This day shall be a day
of remembrance for you.**

EXODUS 12:14, NRSV

Collect of the Day

Proper 18

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Serving Today

Larry Mendoza
John Ezell

Tellers

7:45 a.m.

Dottie Levine
Chuck Utley
Althea Parks
Nelson Frick
Barbara Blancke
Althea Parks
Darlene Frick

Altar Guild
Newcomer Welcome
Greeters/Ushers

Lector
Eucharistic Minister
Healing Prayer

9:00 a.m.

Lianne Mintz
The Harrison Family
The Harrison Family
Lucas Mendoza
Matthew Mendoza
Lucas Mendoza
Jonathan Trail
Lucas Mendoza
David Mintz
Beto Casellas
Scott Rotondo
Kristin Ellis
Andrew Yobs
Bobby Malley
Lew Yobs

Altar Guild
Newcomer Welcome
Greeters/Ushers
Lectors

Prayer
Children's Sermon
Acolyte
Eucharistic Minister

Healing Prayer
Sound
Projector
Streaming

10:30 a.m.

Nan Fuller
The Ezell Family
The Ezell Family
Marguerite Williams
Nancy Schaeffer
Susan Slakey
Susan Slakey
Sue-Ellen Johnson
Susan LaGassa
Ken Livak
John Ezell

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Eucharistic Ministers

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We invite you to have flowers dedicated to a loved one or for a special occasion. Your dedication might be for a birthday, anniversary, or memorial, or simply in thanksgiving for many blessings.

The suggested donation is \$50; please sign up for your preferred week on the Flower Chart on the church door. It is fine to have more than one dedication per week, if someone else has also chosen that date.

Prayer List

Please call the church office or email prayer@sttims.com with any prayer requests.

Please Pray For: Jeff Brown, Barbara Amicangioli; Lyn Cuenca; Frank Davis, Jr.; Lynette, Tre & Damian Davis; Ryan Phillips; Ron Holt; Santa Maria Urban Ministry; the Vestry and our Search process; the Diocese of El Camino Real and Bishop Mary Gray-Reeves; our Companion Dioceses of Western Tanganyika and Gloucester, England; Stephen Ministers and their care receivers.

Worship assignments can be found at www.sttims.org/worship/schedule.pdf. Please arrange a substitute if you must miss a service.

Psalm 149

1. Hallelujah!
Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
2. Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
3. Let them praise his Name in the dance; *
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.
4. For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *
and adorns the poor with victory.
5. Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *
let them be joyful on their beds.
6. Let the praises of God be in their throat *
and a two-edged sword in their hand;
7. To wreak vengeance on the nations *
and punishment on the peoples;
8. To bind their kings in chains *
and their nobles with links of iron;
9. To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *
this is glory for all his faithful people.
Hallelujah!

Ways to Get Connected

Adults

Covenant Groups are small groups meeting in parishioners' homes, helping us know the presence of Christ in one another. To find the covenant group right for you, contact Anne Wilde at AnneAerobic@aol.com or at (408) 379-2235.

Wednesday Night Dinner is a great way to meet people over a nice meal. Dinners begin every Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. "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).

The **Men's Group** meets every other month on a Tuesday evening. We gather at 7:30 p.m. for fun and fellowship, and usually a lively presentation. We also participate in service projects and plan the annual Men's Retreat. Please join us! For more information, or if you have a topic, activity, or a movie to suggest, please contact Jack Bindon at jnb33@sbcglobal.net.

Children and Youth

Godly Play nurtures children's relationships with God in Christ through experiencing the stories of Scripture. Classes are provided for children 3 years and above and begin immediately following the 9:00 a.m. service. Everything that happens in a *Godly Play* classroom – the classroom set-up, the carefully chosen and placed materials and the management of the community of children – serves the child's relationship with God.

St. Timothy's Preschool has been serving children and families in the Mountain View, Los Altos and Sunnyvale communities since 1961. Our school offers a play-based program that includes academic and social readiness in preparation for kindergarten. Within a peaceful, nurturing, cooperative environment, children experience art, literature, music, math and reading readiness, cooking, science and creative drama. For more information, contact Helen Wooldridge, Preschool Director at (650) 967-4724.

Breakfast Club happens every Sunday during the school year, from 9:45 to 10:25 a.m., after the 9:00 a.m. service and before the 10:30 a.m. service. Youth, grades 6-12, meet to explore the meaning of the gospel together. For more information contact John Heltzel (at jheltzel@gmail.com).

News & Notes

Using Your Spiritual Gifts

Gifted to Care

Faith, mercy, teaching the faith, encouragement, or knowing. Do one or more of these gifts describe you? If so, check out Stephen Ministry, St. Tim's one-to-one caregiving ministry.

Spiritual Gifts are gifts to give away. God gives them to us, and we use them to serve others. How are you using your gifts right now? Are you looking for a new way to use them? If your spiritual gifts include one or more of the following – faith, mercy, teaching the faith, encouragement, or knowing – consider Stephen Ministry. This may be just what you have been looking for!

Contact Gwen Bindon at (408) 531-9808 to learn more about this ministry. A new training class starts in September.



Hymn of the Day

The tune to today's traditional hymn, #376 *Joyful, joyful we adore thee*, is the familiar *Ode to Joy* composed by Beethoven in 1824. The words were written by Henry van Dyke in 1907.

Van Dyke wrote of the hymn, "These verses are simple expressions of common Christian feelings and desires...that may be sung together by people who know the thought of the age, and are not afraid that any truth or science will destroy religion, or any revolution on earth overthrow the kingdom of heaven. Therefore this is a hymn of trust and joy and hope."

See if you agree.

Amy Phillips Witzke



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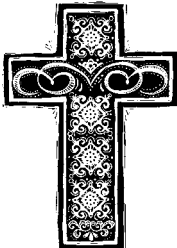


In Sympathy

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Fuzere Family over the passing of Donna Fuzere on August 27.

May her soul and the souls of all the departed rest in peace.

The church will collect notes and cards for Donna and forward them to her family.



Safeguarding God's Children/ Safeguarding God's People

These classes have been rescheduled for Saturday, October 29 at Holy Spirit, Campbell. ***Safeguarding God's Children*** is from 9:00 a.m. to noon. ***Safeguarding God's People*** is from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

All members of St. Tim's who volunteer with children are required to be trained. Those who have attended this training found it to be enriching and personally rewarding.

Contact Rev. Kathey Crowe at kathleencrowe@sbcglobal.net to register.

Prayer Group

St. Timothy's prays for all those who request our prayers. If you would like to join us in prayer, please contact Anne Wilde at anneaerobic@aol.com.



To make a prayer request, send an email to prayer@sttims.org or call the church office.

News & Notes



Women's Retreat News

The Women's Retreat Committee is proud to announce that we will welcome Ellen Schell as our January 2012 Women's Retreat speaker at Mt. Hermon Christian Conference Center near Felton. Ellen worshipped with us many times and even preached when her husband, Donald, served as an Interim here last year. She is the international programs director of Global AIDS Interfaith Alliance, a non-profit governmental organization, and is committed to women's empowerment in helping communities respond to health challenges. *Please save the dates January 20-22 to hear more from Ellen.*

The Committee is pleased to offer early registration and installment payment options this year. Please be on the lookout for further registration information in mid-September.

Our next planning meeting will be held on September 28th at 6:45 pm in the Guild Room. Please join us to learn more about what is being planned and to share your ideas. Many hands make light work and everyone is welcome.

For more information please contact Laura Casellas at betolaura@yahoo.com or Susan Pimlott at susanandluke@comcast.net.

Kids Music is Back!

Kids Music and Movement, led by Music Director Peter Sammel, will start on September 7, the week before kickoff Sunday at St. Tim's. The class will be held on Wednesdays, 5:15 to 5:45 p.m. — finishing just in time for the Parish Dinner. Come and join the fun!



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Save the Date: Animal Blessing

We shall observe the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on Sunday, October 2. Bring your pets to church. Yes, really! During the all services, Janet will invoke God's blessing on them and all creation. Help us celebrate God's gift of all these wonderful creatures. If you don't bring real animals, stuffed animal are also welcome.

Save the Dates!

September 11	Kickoff Sunday and Potluck Godly Play Begins
September 14	Town Hall Forum "Secrets, Sacred Cows and the Good Moos"
September 21	Pilgrimage Presentation
September 25	Town Hall Forum "Our Rector Search"
September 28	International Mission Presentation
October 1	Oktoberfest Dinner
October 2	Animal Blessing Bring Your Pets (all services)
October 14	Fall Music Concert
November 6	All Saints Day
January 20-22	Women's Retreat

New Directories Coming Soon!

It's time to update our church directory. Whether you've been here a day or 50 years, please fill out the "Connection Card" on the back of this bulletin and leave it in the basket by the door as you leave today. Or email your updates to chris@sttims.org. Thanks!



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HE'S STANDING RIGHT BEHIND ME, ISN'T HE?

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Save the Date: Oktoberfest

St. Tim's Annual "Fun" Raising Dinner

The vestry is hosting Oktoberfest here at St. Timothy's on Saturday October 1 from 6:30 to 10:00 p.m. Last year we had a spirited good time during the annual fund raiser for Santa Maria Urban Ministry (SMUM). Accordion master Denis D'Aoust will be back for more astounding and engaging live music. Childcare will be available. Mark your calendars now and invite your friends to join you for this entertaining evening of great food and fellowship!

Please consider donating an auction item individually or with your covenant group for this fund raising effort. Some ideas are dinners, sports or theater tickets, handmade jewelry, baskets assembled around a theme, babysitting or yard work, vacation home weekends, special occasion baked goods, appetizers, or gift certificates for dinners. Be creative!

If you have an auction item that you would like to donate, please contact Lavonne Bieber (bieber1@slb.com) or Nelson Frick (nelsonfrick@comcast.net).



OUTREACH:



Habitat for Humanity's "Walk Home"

October 16, 1:30 p.m.

Help raise awareness for the Habitat "All Faiths" Build in Cupertino (in which St. Tim's will take part). Event participants will walk with family and friends to the new construction site.

Event registration and details to come. Watch this space or contact Cindy Jarvis at cjarvis@vmware.com.

Adult Christian Education

An Adult Christian Education leadership group is happening. If you are interested in helping create and implement weekly Adult Christian Education and spiritual formation offerings, please join us Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Rector's office.

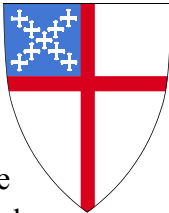
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Diocesan Communications

September 10: SCV Deanery Meeting with Bishop Mary, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., St. Jude's Parish Hall. There will be a discussion of budget and resolutions in the morning, and networking with Bishop Mary at 1:00 p.m. Delegates, alternates, and clergy should attend, but all are invited. Lunch details provided later. Resolutions will be considered for the November 4-5 convention. These are due September 5 and should be submitted to Maly Hughes, the Secretary of Convention.



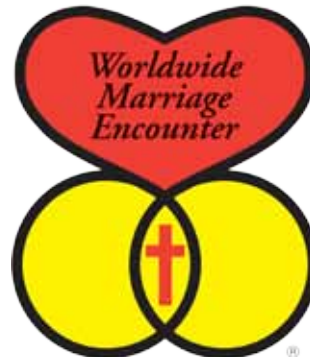
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Episcopal Marriage Encounter

October 21-23: The next Episcopal Marriage Encounter Weekend is in Milpitas. Details can be found online at www.episcopalme.com. If you have questions, contact area coordinators Curt and Arlene McClelland at (408) 371-5581 or curt@sbcglobal.net.



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Godly Play

Thanks to all who participated in our "Getting ready, set, go!" for Godly Play. We're excited about the year to come. Register now online at www.sttims.org.

Questions? Contact Wyn Schuh at wynsttims@boardsailor.com.



St. Timothy's Preschool Tell a Friend!

We have openings in our 3 year old class. Children must be turning three years old on or before October 1, 2011.

Tuesday and Thursday 3s
9:00 to 11:30 a.m.

We have openings in two classes for 4 year olds. Your child must be turning four on or before November 1, 2011.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 4s
9:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday and Thursday 4s
12:30 to 3:00 p.m.

Classes start soon — reserve your space now! For more information and/or a tour of the facility, please call Preschool Director Helen Wooldridge at (650) 967-4724.

Coming Up

Sunday, September 4 (Today)

- 7:45 a.m. Quiet & Meditative Worship
- 9:00 a.m. Dynamic & Kid-Centered Worship
- 10:30 a.m. Joyful & Inclusive Worship
- 6:00 p.m. Divine Drama Bible Study

Monday, September 5

Labor Day Office Closed

Wednesday, September 7

- 5:15 p.m. Kids Music and Movement
- 5:45 p.m. Kids Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner
- 6:45 p.m. Music Rehearsal

Sunday, September 11

- 7:45 a.m. Quiet & Meditative Worship
- 9:00 a.m. Dynamic & Kid-Centered Worship
- 10:30 a.m. Joyful & Inclusive Worship
- 6:00 p.m. Divine Drama Bible Study

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 St. Tim's Stephen Ministry, contact (650) 967-4724 or stephenministry@sttims.org.

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
& Wyn Schuh (650) 965-8037

Tuesdays

- 9:30 a.m. Ming-Hui Murdock (408) 736-4983
- 7:00 p.m. Susan Slakey (408) 249-7114
& Amy Witzke (408) 985-7162
- 7:15 p.m. Bill Shreve (650) 941-6436
- 8:00 p.m. Tom Slakey (408) 249-7114
- 8:00 p.m. Deanne Phillips (408) 739-1479
- 8:00 p.m. Scott Rotondo (650) 917-9355
& John Ezell (650) 776-7182

Wednesdays

- 1:30 p.m. Althea Parks (408) 245-0295

Thursdays

- 7:00 p.m. The Johnsons (408) 737-8355
- 7:00 p.m. Nyna Dolby (650) 941-9335
& Jen Ezell (650) 964-4834

Connecting

Clergy

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ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

WELCOME TO ST. TIMOTHY'S. WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE YOU WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY. SO THAT WE MAY WELCOME YOU,
PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM AND DROP IT IN THE OFFERING PLATE OR HAND IT TO AN USHER AFTER THE SERVICE.

I'm a first-time visitor or guest I'm a second-time visitor or guest I'm a returning visitor or guest Please update my information

Service Attended _____ Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

To find out more about our weekly happenings, please add me to the parish email announcement list. (You can opt out at any time.)

I'd like more information about:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Baptism/Confirmation | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Ministries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Ministries | <input type="checkbox"/> Covenant Groups/Bible Study |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Outreach | <input type="checkbox"/> Ways to Meet Others at St. Timothy's |

Prayer Requests/Comments/Questions: _____

How did you find out about us? _____