



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

The WORD

Our 138th Year

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Herndon, Virginia

Resurrection — God's Gift

The ancient Greeks believed that the human body (soma) was the receptacle of the soul (pneuma). The body is mortal while the soul, which is the essence of the individual, is immortal. When the body dies the soul departs. The ancient Jews had a very different notion. They believed the body and soul (ruach) were inextricably one, inseparable even in death. When the person dies the body and soul both expire. The body cannot exist without the soul; the soul cannot exist without the body.

The Jewish belief seems frightening, even hopeless, while the Greek belief at first is more reassuring. However, in Greek ideology there is no Resurrection. The immortal soul leaves the body and drifts off to its eternal habitation in a spirit dimension. Spirits live but their encounters with one another are "mist passing through mist." Without substance they cannot touch one another, they cannot embrace one another.

It is only within the Jewish understanding that the miraculous meaning of Easter becomes clear. We die, completely, body and soul. Then, by the grace of God in Jesus Christ, we are raised up, given everlasting life with new bodies, bodies that can embrace and be embraced, bodies with definitive personality! As St. Paul said, "We do not yet know what we will be, but we will be like Christ." We will be flesh, blood, and spirit, fully alive! At the Resurrection we will have lungs and tongues for singing, hands for holding, eyes for seeing our loved ones and God, hearts for loving, mouths for laughing, feet and legs for dancing.

This is why we say "We believe in the resurrection of the dead" [Nicene Creed] and "in the resurrection of the body" [Apostle's Creed].

And that is why Easter is so incredible, so wonderful, so amazing, such a gift.

J. Brad



New Associate Rector

After four months of prayer, careful review of eighteen resumes, reference checks, phone and personal interviews, I am very pleased to announce that The Rev. Leslie Chadwick will join St. Timothy's staff as the new Associate Rector. Leslie, and her husband Jay, will arrive in mid-July.

Leslie worked for six years as an English teacher, coach, and organist at Episcopal High School in Alexandria. She then attended Virginia Theological Seminary, was Ordained, and has served for two years as a one of the Priests on the staff of Christ Church in Alexandria.

I would like to express my gratitude to Search Committee ministers Chris Brock, Jackie Clattenburg, Michael Cook, Paul Conroy, Betsy Knoizen, Nate Ratliff, Ken Vierra, and Genevieve Zetlan for their dedication and discernment. Thanks be to God!



Palm Sunday, April 9th - 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 am
Maundy Thursday, April 13th - 7:30 pm
Good Friday, April 14th - 12:15 pm (Stations of the Cross) and 7:30 pm (Solemn Prayers)
Easter Sunday, April 16th - 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00am with an Easter egg hunt at 12:15 pm
Please join us, and bring a friend.

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From the Music Director

As the season of Easter approaches we are reminded again of God's promise of resurrection to new life. It is therefore appropriate, I think, to reflect on the ways this experience of new life has affected those of us involved in the Music Ministry.

This year we have seen a noticeable increase in choir attendance, the addition of a second 3 octave handbell choir with 11 members, and a youth choir of girls ages 8 – 13.

As we began to take advantage of the musical resources that lie beyond our doors, we hosted area musicians who provided us with a taste of what great possibilities for outreach await us as we look to institute a year-long concert series next September. Drawing in an audience of over 300 people, these concerts were an affirmation of the importance and necessity of this particular sort of outreach to our local communities.

Perhaps the most visible sign this year was the addition of the new grand piano in the sanctuary, made possible by a small number of generous donations from our congregation.

It is indeed an exciting time for music here at St. Timothy's. As we look to further improve our ability to serve the congregation, I ask that you keep in mind the needs of a growing and vitally important ministry.

As always, I want to encourage everyone to come and make the Music Ministry a part of your experience of new life at St. Timothy's.

Thank you all for your continued support! —Peter



THE MISSION OF ST. TIMOTHY'S

As people of God

adopted 03/09/02

we joyfully worship God,
spread the WORD of God's love,
treasure all people, and
serve others everywhere
in the name of Jesus Christ.

Therefore, with God's help, we will:
open our doors,
enhance our worship,
and increase our involvement
through all of our ministries.

Open Forum — Our Organ

All of our members are invited to an open forum on April 30th at 4:00 pm in the Sanctuary. The Organ Committee members - Dave Hixon, Randy Karn, Melissa Randolph, Jean Shepherd, Peter Waggoner, and Fr. Brad - will attend to share information about our Tracker Organ (which is fading), and answer questions.

Choir Rehearsal Schedule

Tuesdays:

Youth Choir (ages 8-13) 6:00 p.m.

Family Bells (ages 12+) 7:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

Wednesdays:

Handbell Choir (ages 14+) 7:00 p.m. – 8:00p.m.

Thursdays:

St. Ambrose Choir (ages 14+) 7:30 p.m. – 9:00p.m.

Sundays:

St. Cecilia Choir (all ages) 8:45 a.m. – 9:15a.m.

Vestry Meeting Highlights

January 23, 2006

* The Vestry selected Paul Conroy and Melissa Randolph to serve as Delegates to the Regional and Diocesan Councils with Gayle Rippe and Marcia Andere serving as alternates.

* The Associate Rector Search Committee conducted phone interviews with prospective candidates. Two personal interviews will take place in February. The Committee will continue to consider additional candidates.

* A proposal has been made and is being further considered to use the church facilities as a Red Cross shelter in an emergency situation. In such crisis the Red Cross would take responsibility for management of the facility as well as liability. The Vestry agreed that this proposal merited further research and discussion with the Red Cross. The Red Cross' representative will be invited to the March Vestry meeting to answer questions.

* In an effort to increase communications with and support of the various Ministry Committees of St. Timothy's the Vestry developed a questionnaire to be sent to all Ministry Chairs. The Vestry Liaisons will work with the Committee Chairs to give input to the Vestry which will then use this information to improve Vestry support to the Ministries.

Youth Group Happenings.....

Clothes Closet

Youth's are needed to help at the Clothes Closet, in Herndon on Saturday April 8 and 22 from 9:30AM - 12:00 PM and 11:30AM - 2:00 PM. Please sign up in Henry Hall in advance.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - Update

On Tuesday February 28th, the Youth Group sponsored it's annual pancake supper. With a very good turnout, the proceeds raised from this fundraiser totaled \$493.00, which will be used to support youth activities at St. Timothy's. We would like to thank all who joined us for this year's pancake supper and those who helped make this such a successful event. We would like to thank John Lerch for serving as the parent chairperson and all those who helped cook hams and served the night of the event. Also a special thanks goes to Superior Food Brokerage, Co. and Smithfield Ham's for donating 110 lbs. of ham.

Bake Sale Update

We would like to thank those parishioners who donated baked goods as well as those who purchased items during the Youth Group's Bake Sale in February. We made \$480.00, which will be used towards our Mission Trip to Appalachia in August 2006. We would also like to thank Cele Rundlett for organizing this event for the second year in a row.

Easter Egg Hunt

It is getting close to that time again! This year's Easter

Egg Hunt for children in 5th grade and under, will be held on Easter Sunday April 16th following the 11:00 service. The Youth Group which is sponsoring this year's Easter Egg Hunt, has purchased 1000 plastic eggs for this event. We are asking parishioners for donations of bags of small individually wrapped candy to fill the eggs. So that we have time to stuff the eggs, we ask that any donations of candy be dropped off at the office or in the candy donation box located in the Narthex by Sunday April 9th. Help make this year's hunt a success!

Thank You!

I would like to take a moment to recognize and thank three special people for their assistance, functioning as the Parent Coordinators for the following Events:

Kerrie Wilson - 30 Hour Famine

John Lerch - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Cele Rundlett - Bake Sale

I can not thank these people enough for taking on these activities. I would also like to extend our thanks to Craig Dubishar for helping Kerrie Wilson during the 30 Hour Famine, as well as all those parents and teens who helped with the Pancake Supper and Bake Sale. Also thanks to those in the Service Ministry and parents who brought food at the conclusion of the 30 Hour Famine for those who participated.

—Ken Vierra

Youth Group Schedule for April

April 8, 2006 Saturday	Closet Help	9:30am-12:00pm & 11:30pm-2:00pm
April 22, 2006 Saturday	Closet Help	9:30am-12:00pm & 11:30pm-2:00pm
April 9, 2006 Sunday	Fill Easter eggs	Palm Sunday
April 16, 2006 Sunday	Hide Easter eggs, help children	12:15pm

The Sin of Racism: A Call to Covenant

A Pastoral Letter from the House of Bishops of the Episcopal Church March 2006

We, the bishops of the Episcopal Church, acknowledged the painful reality of the consequences of racism in the 1994 pastoral letter “the Sin of Racism.” In that letter, we stated “the essence of racism is prejudice coupled with power. It is rooted in the sin of pride and exclusivity which assumes ‘that I and my kind are superior to others and therefore deserve special privileges.’” We issue this new pastoral on the pervasive sin that continues to plague our common life in the church and in our culture. We acknowledge our participation in this sin and we lament its corrosive effects on our lives. We repent of this sin, and ask God’s grace and forgiveness.

When Jesus entered the synagogue in his first public act of ministry (Luke 4), he read from the prophet Isaiah. The vision proclaimed is known as the desire of God, the peaceable kingdom, a society of justice and shalom, or the city set on a hill. It is an icon of what God intends for all creation - that human beings live in justice and peace with one another, that the poor are fed and housed and clothed, the ill are healed, prisoners set free, and that the whole created order is restored to right relationship. That vision is our goal and vocation as Christians.

The fundamental truth undergirding this vision is that all are made in the image of God. It is in our diversity that we discover the fullness of that image. If we judge one class or race or gender better than another, we violate that desire and intent of God. And when our social and cultural systems exacerbate or codify such judgments, we do violence to that which God has made. Racism is a radical affront to the good gift of God, both in the creation described in Genesis, and in the reality of the Incarnation. Jesus came among us to bring an end to that which divides us, as Paul so clearly identifies in Galatians 3:28, “in Christ there is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female.”

Whenever individual or community behaviors work against God’s vision, we have promised to respond in ways that will serve to heal: “Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being? I will with God’s help (BCP p 305).” God has created us with skins of many colors, God has created us in thousands of tribes and languages, and none is adjudged more godly than another. It is our behavior that gives evidence of godliness, not the color of our skin.

The world has witnessed the evil of institutionalized racism and classism in the United States in the aftermath of the hurricanes of 2005. The poor and persons of color were often served last -- or not at all -- while wealthy and privileged residents had greater resources to escape the immediate danger of the hurricanes and begin the process of rebuilding. We are all shamed by the sin of racism in the reality of inequity in housing, employment, educational and healthcare opportunities, and the disaster response.

This House of Bishops, meeting in Hendersonville, North Carolina on 21 March 2006, which is the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, commit ourselves as bishops to discern and confess our own prejudice and complicity in the pervasive sin of racism, to confront it, and make amends for it in intentional ways every time we gather as a House. We ask the Holy Spirit to empower the House to fully live into this covenant, and we invite the members of this Church to covenant with us, in the following actions personally, corporately, and globally. With God’s help, we will:

renew our commitment to the 1994 pastoral letter, “The Sin of Racism”; take responsibility to expose, dismantle and heal those situations of injustice based on racism; seek forgiveness for our lack of charity and consciousness in recognizing those situations which degrade the image of God in our neighbors; make amends for our undeserved position and benefit as a result of unjust situations both now and in the past; empower all members of God’s human family, that they may live into the fullness of what God intends; encourage the larger church to continue and expand its work of education, spiritual formation, and anti-racism training, that all might discover the riches of God’s diverse creation, especially in those who differ from us; advocate for the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, our respective dioceses, the parishes which comprise them, and our governments, as well as our own households, that God’s desire may become increasingly evident for all of humanity; recruit and empower people of all races and ethnic origins as leaders in our church, and as members of all boards, agencies, commissions, and committees; dedicate equitable resources for all races and national origins in the funding of theological education for all ministries, lay and ordained; advocate for continued response to the sinful legacy of slavery; expose situations of environmental racism and classism which poison and threaten the poorest among us, and seek justice for those communities; and advocate for compassionate care of the stranger in our midst, and demand just immigration policies.

Having entered into covenant with each other to root out the sin of racism in very specific personal and corporate ways, we, the bishops of the Episcopal Church, invite all members of our Church to join us in this mission of justice, reconciliation, and unity. This is an expression of our commitment to the fundamental covenant each of us entered into at the moment of our baptism.

May God give us the will to do this reconciling work, and the power and grace to accomplish it.

We ask that this pastoral letter be read in all churches as soon as possible.

Stewardship Campaign Update — 2005

I want to take some important time to thank you for your contributions last year. St. Timothy's good works are funded completely by your grace. Every item and salary that we have in St. Timothy's comes from your generosity.

The most recent Stewardship drive provided the Vestry with the financial basis for this year's operating budget. Some highlights:

- We received 145 pledges this year and we are still receiving pledges
- There were 12 new families to St. Timothy's
- There were 14 pledges from families that had never pledged before
- 101 families increased or held their pledges the same as the previous year.
- The net result was a 5% increase in the budget for this year.

However we still have some regular givers who are "missing" from the pledge list. In 2005 we had about 165 pledges during the pledge drive and 12 additional throughout the year. We are reaching out to folks this month.

The Stewardship committee has increased by two new members this year. Tricia Mussante and Jimmy Norcross enable us to increase our efforts to educate and encourage the membership of St. Tim's about Stewardship. Our three main tasks for this year are:

1. Tricia will be coordinating some folks to write articles in the Word and speak to "What St. Timothy's means to me". We are looking for volunteers to write short articles for the Word about their personal experiences at St. Tims. Please email Tricia at p.mussante@verizon.net if you would like to participate.
2. Jimmy Norcross is leading an effort to explore alternate payment methods for our parishioners. We are looking at how other area Churches provide members with electronic banking and recurring payment. We hope to have a program ready in time for our next pledge drive.
3. Finally we will be preparing for our next annual Stewardship campaign.

Please look for more to come this year from the Stewardship Committee and feel free to contact any of us if you would like to join our group or have questions.

Thank you again!

Matt Maginniss, Chairman, Stewardship Ministry

Well Done, Good and Faithful Steward

What do you think of when you hear the word Stewardship? For many, money is the first thing that comes to mind. Giving of one's treasure is just a part of faithful Stewardship. Being in partnership with God during one's lifetime, recognizing that God loves us, sharing that love with others, and having an impact on others loving God is being a faithful steward. The following is the first in a series of articles that will appear in the WORD throughout the year in which parishioners will try to express their answer to the call of Stewardship. The following was contributed by Chuck Allison.

Every Sunday we hear that we are called to be good stewards of God's blessings and to return a portion of our time, talent and/or treasure. For me, for many years, that meant donating financially to the church. But there seemed to be something missing. I struggled to find a place in the church to contribute that which was useful and with which I was comfortable. After taking a survey designed to help in discerning the gifts and talents given by God to each individual, I learned that my talent was that of a helper. Upon reflection I felt that was indeed my mission. It is how I do God's work. Since this discernment I have found an inner peace and joy in helping out with many of St. Timothy's various projects and missions. In particular I find great contentment in recurring opportunities; in helping the community at St. Timothy's through the Building and Grounds Committee, the Herndon community through volunteering at the Hendon Free Clinic, by helping St. Timothy's Men's Group feed the less fortunate, and the wider community within our nation by working with the Lakota people on the Pine Ridge Reservation. Good stewardship means properly managing the blessings of God, using the gifts that we have been given. My gift is to be a helper. St. Timothy's has provided me many opportunities to not only help out, but to serve others in the name of Jesus Christ.

—Chuck Allison

Why I Go to Pine Ridge

St. Francis said, “Lord, make **me** a channel of Thy peace - that where there is **hatred**, I may bring **love**; that where there is **wrong**, I may bring the spirit of **forgiveness**; that where there is **despair**, I may bring **hope**; that where there is **sadness**, I may bring **joy**.”

When I **first joined** the Lakota team, I was intrigued when told that the Lakota team **generally** does manual labor projects - no experience required--in the mornings, is expected to play with Lakota children in the afternoons, and joins in daily worship in the evenings. I heard that Pine Ridge was the **poorest county** in the United States and saw a chance to help.

When I arrived there, I saw sharp contrasts and deep paradoxes.

- ♦ I met people who showed warmth & humor in the face of shocking poverty.
- ♦ I saw strong US patriotism at a powwow for Native American military veterans. I saw the powwow participants pay tribute to US Army Specialist Lori Piestowa, a Navajo and the first US servicewoman to die in combat in Iraq.

I’ve been to four continents in my life, and at Pine Ridge I saw acts of love, sacrifice, service - and poverty--that I’ve rarely seen anywhere else.

I want to continue to build relationships with the Lakota and to better their lives and ours. I want to see Gabby. His real name is Everett. Gabby greeted our team when we laid the foundation for a community hall that now is completed.. Gabby was there when we planted fruit trees behind a nursing home, so that infirm Lakota can see natural beauty from their windows.

Gabby is a US Air Force veteran, a former rodeo bull rider, and a Christian. He surprised me one evening three years ago when he showed up at our evening worship with a little girl. To this day, I carry the image of Gabby’s gnarled hands that tenderly held his three-year old daughter Laura on his lap as we prayed in the basement of the Pine Ridge Retreat Center.

After a hard day’s work in the open air, we served as positive role models and gave attention to children who may receive little attention from adults in their lives.

I want to reconnect with Sonny Boy Mousseau, who lost both parents in a car accident. He was shy and withdrawn when I met him three years ago.

I want to visit Basil Brave Heart and his wife, Charlotte, on whose property we helped to build the community hall. For days, we slung dirt, nailed plywood flooring, sang and laughed till we were breathless, and returned to our bunks exhausted and exhilarated. Basil is a gracious man. He fought in Korea and won America’s third highest award for valor.

For several years now, St. Tim’s has sent a team in May to Pine Ridge to build homes and friendships. God willing, in two months we’ll be going again.

My Mom used to quote, “Only one life, t’will soon be past. Only what’s done for **Christ** will last.” That’s why I go to Pine Ridge. If you can’t join us in the flesh this year, please join us in the spirit. We appreciate your giving. We appreciate your prayers for us. We appreciate your prayers for the Lakota..

—*Ralph Tildon*

Trip to the Smithsonian Institute -Make it a Family Day

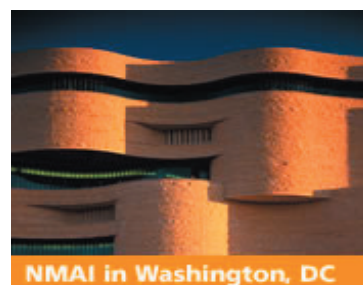
St. Timothy’s Lakota team invites you, your families, and friends to come with us to the National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) in Washington, DC, on Saturday, 29 April 2006, at 10:45 AM. Admission is free, and the museum is stroller-friendly.

Join us for the one-hour highlight tour of the museum. Visit the Lakota exhibit in the Universal Gallery. Watch a movie, “Who We Are,” an overview of Native American cultures that stimulates the senses, in the Lelawi Theater.

Eat lunch in the museum cafeteria. Taste authentic Native American food that will delight your pallet.

Try fry bread with honey or powdered sugar. Browse through the gifts shops that are on practically every floor.

We’ll meet at St. Tim’s parking lot and take the metro into Washington, DC from Dunn Loring Station. Children are welcome. Call Florita Tildon--(703) 464-9377 for reservations and more information.



evANGELism Sunday: Spot the Gold Crosses

PLEASE DON'T SKIP THIS ARTICLE!

I know that "e" word up there is scary. Notice the "angel" part. Angels are good! And this news is good too!

The 1st Sunday of every month has been designated "evANGELism Sunday." For quite a while now we have been asking everyone to wear a nametag on the 1st Sunday. It's hard to remember everyone's name and having this once a month helps even those that have been here for years. It also helps newcomers. But how do you know if someone is new or just someone you don't know who's been at St. Timothy's for years? We've got just the ticket! In addition to the nametags, look for the gold cross, either on the nametag itself or on a collar or lapel. This signifies that this person is a new friend. Please greet them warmly, introduce yourself, and make them as welcome as all of your other friends.

Speaking of friends, evANGELism Sunday is a great time to ask a friend to come to church with you or invite them to meet you here. We encourage you to do so all the time, but it will be especially nice on the 1st Sunday when the gold crosses are available for newcomers and visitors.

So you now know what to do:

1. Bring a friend to church on the 1st Sunday.
2. Look for the nametags with gold crosses.
3. Be the warm, loving, and welcoming people that you always are!

Oh, and one other thing, ask them to come back the next Sunday! —*Shirley Ratliff*

Save The Date!

St. Timothy's will be holding Vacation Bible School this summer the week of **July 17 - 21**, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon for children ages 3 through 12 (rising 6th graders). The theme this year will be Adventure of the Treasure Seekers: Exploring God's Promises. Adventure of the Treasure Seekers takes an archaeological theme and creates the setting for children to embark on daily "Discovery Digs," where they will explore five of God's most precious promises, including God Loves You, God Knows You, God Treasures You, God Forgives You and God is With You. Registration is \$20 per child, with a maximum of \$50 per family. Registration forms will be available starting Sunday, May 21st in the narthex. As always, we need volunteers! The Treasure Seeking can't happen without YOU, so consider volunteering to help out -- we will need teachers and on-site volunteers, but we will also need parents who can help from home, too. Volunteer applications will be included with the registration forms, or call Marybeth Henry at 703-742-6694.



Family Assistance at St. Timothy's

Free help is being offered through Fairfax County! The Nurturing Parenting Program will be held at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 432 Van Buren Street, Herndon, VA. The first session of this 13 week program begins on March 7, 2006 and ends June 6, 2006. Each session begins at 5:30 PM ends at 8:00 PM. Dinner is served and child care will be provided (free of charge). This session will be conducted in English and is designed to help families with children age 5-11 years. The program is designed for the entire family.

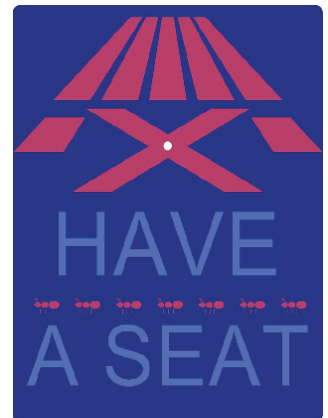
The Nurturing Parenting Program is a series of courses providing education for families to build stronger, healthier interactions among all family members. It is designed to prevent, reduce, or reverse potentially destructive patterns of family life that result in mistreating oneself, members of one's family, and one's community.

For more information or to register please contact Krissa Slone at 703-324-7745 or via email at Krissa.Slone@fairfaxcounty.gov or Nancy Coffey at 703-324-7723

Have a Seat Service Project

The Men of Saint Timothy's (MOST), in partnership with the Service Ministry, will perform a service project for the benefit of the Herndon day laborer's site. On April 8 we will gather to build picnic tables and benches for the site. We will build the tables and benches at Saint Timothy's and deliver them to the site on April 22, the date of a multi faith based clean up and fix up day at the site. If there are any men who would be interested in joining this effort or would like more information on the Men of Saint Timothy's please contact Keith Pinkard at 703-758-2583 or mapnbuild@cox.net.

If anyone would like to make a financial contribution towards this effort we would ask that you make a check payable to St Timothy's and on the memo line indicate: Service Ministry - Tables and Benches. We thank you for your support.



BEHOLD,
CHRIST HAS RISEN!

Agape Corner

The March and April Agape is dedicated to St. Timothy's three Mission groups: the Youth Group's Dunganon trip, the Lakota Mission Team, and the Habitat for Humanity International/Domestic Team. The three groups will benefit greatly from your generous donations. Below are brief descriptions of the Mission groups.

♦ The Youth Group's annual trip to the Dunganon region in southwest Virginia. Dunganon is one of the poorest regions in the state. The youth spend a week renovating substandard houses and developing interpersonal skills that will stay with them for a lifetime.

♦ The Lakota Mission Team's annual trip to the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. Pine Ridge is one of the poorest counties in the country. The team spends a week on the reservation, developing relationships, experiencing the Native American life style and repairing houses in the area.

♦ The Habitat for Humanity International/Domestic team's trip to Florida. This year the team is focusing on helping rebuild an area still recovering from storm damage from over a year ago. Last year the team spent a week in Botswana, Africa building two homes for families.

The Service Ministry asks your support for these three groups of dedicated individuals who are striving to make a difference in the world. During March and April, you will hear from representatives from these groups who will tell you about their mission and their individual experiences. On Sundays when there are speakers, you will find the yellow Agape envelopes in your bulletin. You will be able to designate your donation to be split equally among the teams or you may specify an individual team as the beneficiary of your donation. The groups thank you for your support and look forward to another years journey into the world as members of your congregation, to help with their hands and spread the love of Christ among those who need their help the most.

Note: Please make out your checks to St. Timothy's and indicate on the MEMO line: "Agape" Be sure to place the check in a yellow AGAPE envelope.

My God,
my God,



why hast thou
forsaken me?

Psalm 22:1, KJV

Lakota Team News

Twelve adult members of our church family will be leaving for the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota on May 20. An activity each day of the mission week is playing games in the afternoon with the children at the Retreat Center. When the Lakota team asked if any games or equipment was needed for the children, the team was told that the following items would be appreciated:

Ping-pong paddles

Ping-pong balls

Pick-up Sticks (game)

Candyland (game)

Guess Who? (game)

Any game appropriate for children in grades 2-6

If you could see it in your heart to purchase any of these items, they will be delivered along with your thoughts and prayers for the Lakota Sioux children. A collection box is available in Henry Hall at the Lakota table. Thank you from the Lakota Team on behalf of the children.

Thank You!

On behalf of the Service Committee here at St. Timothy's we extend our warmest thanks for the most generous financial support shown to the Agapes' designation for the months of January and February 2006. We are sending each of the organizations Jackson-Feild Homes for Girls and Boys' Home, Inc. \$578.75 for a total of \$1157.50 collected.

Graciously, Judy Pasquarello

Transitions Group Meets Every Wednesday

Searching for a new job? Seeking to re-enter the workforce? Thinking about changing careers? Looking for a work force network? Join our Career Transitions Group. Held every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. in room B1 at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church at 432 Van Buren Street, Herndon, VA

The Career Transitions Group is for anyone who is looking for work, seeking to re-enter the work force after being away or currently considering changing jobs or careers. This support group offers support only, no jobs are offered. The group helps by working on sharing resources, updating resumes, teaching networking and other shared opportunities. All are welcome. For additional information or directions please contact the group moderator, Marybeth Henry, at Transitions@saint-timothy.org or call 703-742-6694 before attending your first meeting.



If you know someone who would be comforted by receiving one of our handmade creations, please see Jackie Clattenburg, Janet Dopsovic, Donna McGrath, Jeanne Rick, Jean Shepherd, or Florita Tilden or fill out a form located in Henry Hall.

Dear members of the Shawl Ministry

My neighbor, Eloisa Machuca, has asked me to send her "Thanks!" for the lovely shawl made by Janet Dopsovic and the blessings sent. She was quite touched and teary eyed reading the card in her language of Spanish.

Eloisa and her husband Ricardo are from El Salvador. They have always worked two jobs each to pay the mortgage and raise their family. Of their four children, one holds a degree in Architecture and another has served this country well in the Iraqi War. Ricardo himself had been a cook at the Tortilla Factory for some 15 yrs until his stroke last December. Jackie their oldest daughter, has taken on much responsibility, and does her best to keep all together for her Mom while Dad is in Rehab. Though Ricardo will never work again, we are anxious to have him home in a few months. Some may criticize them for not having perfected language skills in English, but they have been neighbors anyone would appreciate having next door.

Jackie arrived while I was giving the shawl to her Mom and took a minute to read the sentiments on the card out loud. Her speech softened to a mere whisper. There were pauses in her reading as she took a moment to sniffle, dab a tear, reflect and absorb the caring that was being expressed by women she didn't even know.

I wish to express my gratitude to the Shawl Ministry of St. Timothy's for helping me reach out with love to my friend. Our languages may be different, but our shared feelings of loneliness, uncertainty, and concern are lifted with kind words and the blessing of skilled hands that make shawls.

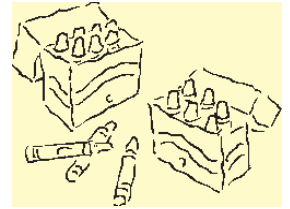
Ever Grateful, Dianna Traub

Earth Day Again?

Wow, has it already been a full year since Earth Day 2005? Have you started taking additional steps to expand the scope of activities you do to protect God's Creation? As I write this article the high temperature today (in March) will be 85 degrees – global warming comes to mind (especially after a near record warm winter). Earth Day also makes me think of spring time and lawn care. If you haven't put your weed and lawn chemicals down on your lawn yet – don't! The Chesapeake Bay and your children's children will thank you! Looking for other ways to protect and care for God's Creation? Consider the products you purchase as an extension of your efforts. The National Resources Defense Council (NRDC) reports that Kimberly-Clark and other big paper producers are cutting down half a million acres of trees in the vibrant boreal forests of Ontario and Alberta, Canada annually. These forests have stood intact since the last ice age and now they are being destroyed for Kleenex, Cottonelle, Scott, and Viva consumer paper products (send a message to KC at www.nrdc.org/land/forests/tissue.asp). Other companies, however, do better – Canada's Cascades company meets 96 percent of its pulp requirements with recycled fiber. Look for brands such as Ambiance, April Soft, Best Value, Earth First, Marcal, Pert, Seventh Generation, and 365 (sold at Whole Foods). Your efforts do make a difference . . . and Happy Earth Day 2006 (April 22, 2006).

PRE-SCHOOL CORNER

The pre-school would like to thank the parishioners who came to Fuddruckers on Spirit Night to demonstrate their support for the school while eating those great burgers. The event was a great success! Thank you!



—Lydia Gough

Hospitality Ministry - Kitchen Shower

Join us during coffee hours on Sunday, April 30th, for a kitchen shower. Please bring a gift for St. Timothy's kitchen and enjoy good food, beverage, and company!

Some suggestions are listed:

- Can opener
- Clorox wipes
- Dishtowels
- Large serving spoons
- Paper or plastic tablecloths
(different colors welcomed)
- Paper towels
- Salad serving fork and spoon
- Salad tongs or
- Small paper plates
- Small plastic bowls for dips
- Soft scrub
- Spatulas
- Sponges

Your gift will be greatly appreciated. If you cannot come but would like to bring a gift, a box will be in Henry Hall during coffee hour starting on Sunday, April 2nd. It will be located close to the coffee hour table.

Hope to see you! Hospitality Ministry

—Craig Dubishar, Steward of Creation

LEM Schedule/ Lectionary for April 2006

4/2/06 Lent 5; *Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:1-13 or Psalm 119:9-16; Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33*

8:00 – Rick Howarth, Allen Pruitt, Mike Maser

9:30 – Edna Whittick, Laura Petrosian, P. Mussante, Sean Brady, Frank Martin, Allen Pruitt

11:00 – Allen Pruitt, Dave Parker, Michael Cook, Keith Sinclair, Allan Stanley

4/9/06 Palm Sunday; *Isaiah 45:21-25; Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 14:32 -15:47; Psalm 22:1-21 or 22:1-11*

8:00 – Robin Mullet, Ralph Tildon, Allen Pruitt

9:30 – Allen Pruitt, Kaworu Yanagihara, Laura Dendtler, J. Clattenburg, Cheryl Brock, Chris Brock

11:00 – Jim Hendrick, Betsy Knoizen, Jane Perry, Dave Hixon, Allen Pruitt, Duncan Hutcheon

4/16/06 Easter; *Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8*

8:00 – Allen Pruitt, Tim Coffey, Jane Perry

9:30 – Shirley Ratliff, Allen Pruitt, Gayle Rippe, John McGrath, Diane Payne

11:00 – Michael Cook, Bob Duchesneau, Allen Pruitt, Grant Johnson, Ted Mankin, Rachel Muir

4/23/06 Easter 2; *Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:1-2:2; John 20:19-31*

8:00 – Mike Maser, Allen Pruitt, Rick Howarth

9:30 – John Schmitz, Edna Whittick, Allen Pruitt, Jane Perry, Mike Torres

11:00 – Allen Pruitt, Annemarie Rundlett, Keith Sinclair, Bill Odio, Dave Parker, Jane Perry

4/30/06 Easter 3; *Acts 3:12-19; Psalm 4; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48*

8:00 – Ralph Tildon, Robin Mullet, Allen Pruitt

9:30 – Sean Brady, Laura Petrosian, Jackie Clattenburg, Cheryl Brock, Allen Pruitt, Chris Brock

11:00 – Allan Stanley, Jim Hendrick, Duncan Hutcheon, Michael Cook, Allen Pruitt

St. Tim's Youth On Stage

Herndon High School Theatre Department Presents Spring Musical *Damn Yankees*. April 19th-22nd 7:30 p.m. at Herndon High School. Tickets available at the door. The cast includes our own Kate Klipfel, Sarah McGrath, Sally Hall, Jen Wilson, Tyler Andere and Ethan Rundlett. Please join us for what promises to be a great show and support our very talented and hard working young people.



Easter Flower Dedications

Please use the envelope found in the bulletin to place your gift to the Easter flower fund and note on the envelope your dedication information in memory of friends and loved ones, or in thanksgiving for someone or something special to you. The list of donors and dedications will be included in the Easter bulletins. Your gift envelopes must be received in the office by Monday, April 10 to be included.



Easter Decorating

The Altar Guild also needs your help to decorate the church on Saturday, April 15th from 9am to 3pm. If you could come by for only a couple of hours your help would be greatly appreciated. Come join us and have some fun decorating the church for Easter. A sign-up sheet is available on the Altar Guild bulletin board in Henry Hall. Call Jackie Clattenburg at 703-450-6493 with any questions.

Are You Planning to Move?

If you are planning to move in the future, please let the church office have your new address if you wish to continue to receive the newsletter and your envelopes. If the post office returns your mail, the church incurs a significant cost against our tight budget. Thank you.

Pastoral Care: How can I help?

Meetings: Help by coming to Pastoral Care Ministry meetings. Members of the committee will take turns contacting those in need and matching them up with appropriate HELPING HANDS care. Commitment Time: Ministry will meet quarterly (after initial formation) on 3rd Saturday of the month from 9 a.m to 10 a.m. , plus phone time when you are working with HELPING HANDS. (The APRIL meeting will be on the 22nd due to Easter.)



Helping Hands

Meals: Help by making a meal, for example, for a family when someone is sick.

Transportation: Help someone get to a doctor's appointment, to church, or run an errand with them or for them.

On Call: Help with those one-time things that always seem to come up, for example, visit with someone who is temporarily homebound, read a book/play with someone who is hospitalized, run an errand for the ministry.

Prayers: Help by joining the prayer chain to pray for those in need.

Please sign up to help! Many hands make light work.

Questions? Call Shirley Ratliff at 703-444-1071 or saratliff@earthlink.net

Join us at the HEART Rally

Sunday, April 2nd

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Town Square (In front of the Old Town Hall)

Family activities (kid-craft, face painting, Nature Tent), Dog-friendly, food, speakers, and more!

Come celebrate all the great things about Herndon!

Please E-mail us if you would like to help, or have a group that would like to participate.



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HEART, P.O. Box 364, Herndon VA 20172 ~ E-mail: hearttoherndon@yahoo.com

Avon Walk for Breast Cancer

Dear St. Tim's Family and Friends,

It's that time of year again: time to hear my plea for support in another Avon Walk for Breast Cancer. This will be my fourth year participating in this event.

To all of you who have supported me in past walks, you have my deepest thanks. As strange as it may sound, when you've been walking for a full day and your feet are on fire and you wonder how you can walk one more step, much less several more miles... it really does keep you going when you think about all the people who believe in you and support you.

So... could you do it again, please? (And if you've never contributed before, this would be a great time to start!)

This year's walk is April 29-30 in Washington, DC, and I'm hoping to raise enough money to exceed my previous years' totals. The money funds the education and screening of women in our community who might not otherwise be diagnosed, as well as research to stop this killer of so many women and men.

Every 14 minutes, someone dies of breast cancer. Just think about that. A number of the women included in that statistic have touched my life personally, and I'm reminded of their loss every day. So thank you in advance for supporting me in my attempt to do what I can to help others avoid that grief.

To contribute online, you can go to my personal web page on the Avon site (find me by name under the Washington walk at www.avonwalk.org.) If you'd prefer to write a check, look for my forms and envelopes in Henry Hall, or give me a call and I'll mail you a form.

Thanks again for your support – both financial and moral. It means more to me than I can convey in a letter. With your money and my blistered feet, we can touch the lives of so many people who need our help.

—Joanne Rehm (703)425-9299





The **WORD**

for April 2006

St. Timothy's Word is published monthly and mailed to members and friends during the last week of each month. It also appears in full color on the website under "See All Events" beginning the day it is ready for mailing.

The deadline for submission of material for the May issue is Thursday, April 20 at 9am.

Questions or ideas for *The Word* are always welcome as are your comments! You may send the material as an attachment to an e-mail message to: Cclattenburg@saint-timothys.org. The message subject line must mention Word. Photos will be used only if key people in the photo are identified. Articles or letters may be edited for brevity or appropriateness.

See our website for the up-to-the-minute monthly calendar. It's always current and covers several months.

Weekly Bulletins appear on the website no later than Friday for the coming Sunday.

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Editor's Comments: We're off to Shrine Mont for relaxation, fellowship, fun and NO TV. Spring is here and my yard is a mess. Trimming, raking, and mulching are ahead but not this week-end. If you have questions or concerns about our organ and all the rumors, come to the Open Forum on April 30. The Organ committee will answer all your questions. Our Parish Administrator, Carol Frost, will be completing her first year this month. We think she has done a great job!

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