



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

The WORD

Our 139th Year

For September 2007
Herndon, Virginia



"To everything there is a season"

Some members of our Church family have asked me for an update on what's happening in the Episcopal Church and the Diocese of Virginia. To date, fewer than twenty out of one hundred and ninety eight parishes in the Diocese of Virginia have broken away and realigned with the Church of Nigeria or the Church of Uganda (and some have yet to decide). The basic reason has to do with how we understand Scripture, most especially with regard to the Ordination of women and active homosexuals. As with the dissolution of a marriage it gets very sticky over property rights. There's a lot at stake and it's in the hands of lawyers and judges now. The suits, and appeals, may go on for another two or three years. Meanwhile, we have offered refuge to "continuing Episcopalians" from Church of the Epiphany in Herndon. They are worshipping with us three Sundays a month, and in our parish hall at 9:30 am on the last Sunday of the month. Eventually they hope to be back in "their" Church. I put their in quotes because that's the crux of the legal battle. Each side claims ownership of the Church, just as each side claims to properly understand what God has to say about current issues. It's a mess.

"To everything there is a season" wrote Qoheleth, "the teacher." These familiar words come from the Old Testament Book of Ecclesiastes (chapter 3, verse 1). Writing between 300 and 200 years before the birth of Jesus, the author wrestled with the meaning of life. "He" (probably a male) affirmed the certainty of death, the limit of human understanding, and the wisdom of embracing God's good gifts. I think that's good counsel for today.

Both sides in this struggle are confident that their understanding of Scripture is true and that the Church property belongs to them, but the truth is no one knows for certain how this will be resolved. In the end it is all in the hands of God. That's the message of Ecclesiastes. Despite our certainty, we aren't perfectly wise and we just have to live with that. We take sides against each other, wrestle with one another over "truth" because we humans can't do any better; we are limited. It's how we're made. But we must trust God in this, as in all things. We are not in control; God is. And that is reassuring.

There are observable "seasons" to life, to human history. And judging by the present mess the Church is in another period of reformation. Because we believe God has absolute dominion and providence over all creation, what appears to be wreck and ruin is actually the divine re-ordering, "reformation", of human structures and understanding to suit God's greater purposes. We may be certain that better things than we can ask or imagine will eventually come of it. And while this great work goes on

From Worship to Conversation: Learning to Talk about our Faith in Community

We are blessed to live in an area with so many resources to stretch our minds and spirits. Many of you already reach out to take advantage of these resources. You go to Wolf Trap, to the Kennedy Center, to local theaters and museums, and to the Cathedral. This fall, the Christian Education committee will bring to St. Timothy's four distinguished speakers to give us a chance to exercise our thoughts on faith together as a community.

These speakers, one Lutheran and three Episcopalians, are committed not only to engaging our minds, but also our spirits. They each care tremendously about their own faith and about helping us talk about how our faith affects decisions in our daily lives.

David Schlafer, a long-time friend of St. Timothy's (known as "Uncle David" to some), will launch the series on October 14 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. He knows firsthand how well we worship together as a community and looks forward to giving us new ways to extend the conversation we begin each week in the liturgy. Terry Reynolds, a Lutheran and an Ethics professor from Georgetown, will help us converse about difficult issues with a better understanding of how we arrive at our opinions. The series will conclude with two professors from Virginia Theological Seminary. Dr. Kathy Grieb, a nationally recognized scholar of the New Testament, will talk about living in community as a Church with our differences. Dr. Timothy Sedgwick, a professor of Ethics, will speak about how what we believe affects our lives and decisions on a practical, day-to-day basis. He will discuss how we form households of faith in our own families and as a parish.

Please mark your calendars for this wonderful opportunity to talk and think about our faith in new ways this fall. Bring your friends and let the conversation begin!

Leslie+

we are to remain as faithful as we can - worshipping God, singing God's praises, hearing the stories of God's activity as recorded in the Bible, praying, offering our gifts for God's use, being strengthened by the Sacraments, and proclaiming "by word and deed the Good News of God and Christ." We are called to do what we were made to do, and let God do what only God can do.

The update is this: we are in a season of change, God is recreating the Church. And, as in times of grace and ease, we are to be people of good faith.

Jr. Brad

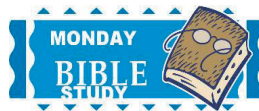
Fall Adult Ed. - Basics of Christian faith

Adults interested in exploring the basics of the Christian faith and how this is expressed in the Episcopal Church, are invited to attend "Christianity 101" with Fr. Brad on successive Sunday evenings from September 9 through October 7, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Narthex. Questions and discussion are encouraged. This class is a pre-requisite for adults who want to be confirmed or received from another denomination, or who want to reaffirm Baptism vows, when Bishop Eastman visits on December 2nd. There is no cost. Come and learn!

Confirmation Class

This series of classes offers the youth a place to explore our faith, ask questions about it, and decide whether or not to claim it as their own. Confirmation will take place on December 2 at the 11:00 am service, but attendees are not obliged to be confirmed. The 10-week classes will take place on Wednesdays from 7 pm-8:30 pm, September 12-November 14. Contact: Leslie Chadwick (lesliec@saint-timothys.org)

Monday Morning Bible Study



The Monday Morning Bible Study will continue this autumn with our study of the scripture that we will read the following Sunday. We meet in Room B1 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. No preparation is necessary. All are welcome! Childcare is provided. Contact: Leslie Chadwick(lesliec@saint-timothys.org)

Calling all adults!

As Sunday School begins for the youth of St. Timothy's, this year it also brings the beginning of Sunday School for adults, though the term "school" is used loosely. We will have an organizational meeting in room B1, Sept. 9 after the commissioning of teachers at the 11:00 am service. Classes will begin Oct. 7 at 11:00 am.

The Adult Sunday School at St. Timothy's is not about the answer. It is about learning, exploring, and questioning. It is a journey or a quest that begins with us, the children of God.

Using a discussion-type format, we will explore a wide variety of topics such as:

The Bible: passages, history, geography, archeology (such as the Roman empire and the spread of Christianity)

Theological reflections beginning with a painting, song, movie or other cultural item (such as Norman Rockwell)

World religions

Local, national, worldwide events

Interesting/controversial people (Was Paul really a chauvinist?)

Classes are open to all adults ages 18 and up and meet at the same time as the rest of the Sunday School. Registration is not required. Drop in, bring your coffee, and exercise your soul.

—Shirley Ratliff



Learning To Talk About Our Faith In Community

Moral Quandary And Christian Vocation: Acknowledging Difference—Practicing Discernment

This autumn, we offer an adult faith information series featuring distinguished scholars from the local area. Each speaker will offer a presentation followed by an opportunity for questions or discussion.

The programs will take place in the Sanctuary on Sunday evenings from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Contact: Leslie Chadwick (lesliec@saint-timothys.org)

October 14: Shaping Space with Worship Words for Spirit-ed Conversation - *The Rev. Dr. David J. Schlafer*

Praise, proclamation, prayer—when Christians gather as God's people, they employ words in ways that are quite curious. How does the language of liturgy "work"? What is it trying to "do"? How can preaching convene Spirit-ed Conversations in Christian faith communities, in order to nurture communal discernment regarding urgent moral issues that are complex and conflicted?

October 21: The Quest for Moral Certainty - *Dr. Terrence Reynolds*

On heated issues, Christians often defend opposing positions with absolute certainty. To make sense of these deep moral divisions, we will examine a theory of knowing that may illuminate the reasons why we disagree and then offer a proposal for improving moral conversations.

October 28: Discerning the Word; Loving the Questions; Living into Community - *The Rev. Dr. A. Katharine Grieb*

From the beginning of church history, Christians were reading their Holy Scriptures and arguing about how best to honor the plan of the Creator God, follow Jesus Christ in the way of the cross, and walk in the ways of the Holy Spirit. The greatest challenge for Christians is to live together with our different moral visions, respecting that God may also be working through those with whom we disagree.

November 4: Vision, Practices, and Forming Communities of Faith - *Dr. Timothy F. Sedgwick*

In a world saturated with consumerism, Christian faith offers a way of life that is marked by prayer and worship and centered in forming households that shape our life together. We will explore the nature and challenge in forming households of faith.

Lay Eucharistic Minister Training

Mature youth and adults interested in reading Scripture, leading prayers, and serving Holy Communion in our worship services are invited to attend a LEM training session in our Sanctuary on Saturday, September 15 at 10:00 am. For more information speak with either of our vergers, Michael Cook or Jane Perry, or our clergy, Fr. Brad or Rev. Leslie.

Lectionary for August 2007

9/2/07 14th Sunday after Pentecost; *Jeremiah 2:4-13; Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14*

9/9/07 15th Sunday after Pentecost; *Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33*

9/16/07 16th Sunday after Pentecost; *Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 51:1-11; I Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10*

9/23/07 17th Sunday after Pentecost; *Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113; I Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13*

9/30/07 18th Sunday after Pentecost; *Amos 6:1a, 4-7; Psalm 146; I Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31*

Help Me Help Others

My name is Maggie Perkinson, I'm almost sixteen years old, and I'm going to be a junior at Westfield High School this year. Some of you may know me because I sing in the St. Ambrose Choir during the 11:00 a.m. service. I'm reaching out to you because I will be participating in the Cure Autism Now Walk in Washington, D.C. on October 20, 2007 and I need your help. Please consider sponsoring me as I walk with others to help find a cure for this terrible disorder.

What is Autism? The Autism Society of America describes this condition as "a complex developmental disability that typically appears during the first three years of life and is the result of a neurological disorder that affects the normal functioning of the brain, impacting development in the areas of social interaction and communication skills."

Nearly 1.5 million Americans today are believed to be Autistic, and a new case of Autism is diagnosed almost every 20 minutes in this country alone. Autism is a terrible disorder that appears to be on the rise, and no one really knows what causes it. Funds are needed to help conduct research to find a cure, and that's why I'm walking. Please consider helping me by making a donation. My website is: <https://www.kintera.org/faf/donorReg/donorPledge.asp?ievent=214840&lis=1&kntae214840=9CF43A834B4140EFA8A22651C4CA608D&supId=140896272>

To find out more about Cure Autism Now walk, come see me or go to www.cureautismnow.org. Thank you for your consideration.

Welcome Home Sunday & Parish Picnic

Every year we designate the Sunday after Labor Day as "Welcome Home Sunday." We welcome people who have been away for the summer. We also welcome family, friends, friends, co-workers, etc. whom we have invited and are attending Church with us for the very first time. Our ministry leaders create attractive and informative displays, we offer delicious food and drink during coffee hour, and many of our ministries (choirs, Sunday school) restart after a Sabbath rest. "Welcome Home Sunday" will be September 9th. Please invite your family, friends, co-workers, and new acquaintances to worship with you at St. Timothy's. Come learn about the ministries of the Church (and consider helping), and renew your faith! Come to the church dressed for a picnic on the lawn and join us after the 11:00 am service for hot dogs and drinks. Sign up in Henry Hall for the picnic, and bring your best dish to share.

Saints Alive.

This is your opportunity to recognize "saints of God, patient and brave and true" – those joyous saints among us at St. Timothy's. You know them – the "saint" who went the extra mile in support of one of our ministries or the "saint" who quietly did the task no one else wanted to do. We are blessed at St. Timothy's with many wonderful servant-leaders who daily give of their talents and time. Let's celebrate them! It's simple -- nominate your "saint" by emailing the editor (cclattenburg@saint-timothys.org) with the name of the person and one or two sentences on your saint's deeds. Your name will not be published. That's part of the fun – you get to be the unknown angel that recognizes saints alive. Who knows? You may be one, too.

Karen Buck, Kim and Marty Hager, Susy Nixon, Pat Rhoads and Maria LaWalt for delivering bread every week this summer to Saint Timothy's newcomers. They drove all over Herndon, Sterling, Fairfax, and Chantilly to give our gift of a loaf of bread to each newcomer the week after their Sunday visit to St. Tim's. Thanks to them, this new evANGELism ministry has gotten off to an outstanding start, and we have been receiving regular "thank you for the bread!" calls and e-mails at the office.

ECW Annual Retreat

The annual ECW retreat will be led by Margaret Guenther, the former director of the Center for Christian Spirituality at The General Theological Seminary. She is the author of several books of spirituality, including *Holy Listening: The Art of Spiritual Direction* (1992), *At Home in the World: A Rule of Life for the Rest of Us* (2006), and *Just Passing Through: Notes from a Sojourner* (2007). The retreat will take place at the Cabins at Algonkian Regional Park on November 9-11. Contact: Carol Sinclair at 703-437-4713 (csinclair83@msn.com).

THE MISSION OF ST. TIMOTHY'S

As people of God

adopted 01/20/07

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:

open our doors to everyone,
open our hearts in worship,
open our eyes to the Spirit's gifts, and open
our arms to embrace God's work.

CE Corner

Welcome back! Believe it or not, the “New Year” is here again, and with it, the beginning of Sunday School and Children’s Chapel. We are so fortunate at St. Timothy’s to have a staff of dedicated volunteers who nurture, mentor and encourage our children to grow in the love of Christ – please thank them today!

Speaking of “thank yous,” a great big THANK YOU to Brittany Savage, who led Summer Sunday School for all our children for ten weeks! The kids loved learning about Jesus’ Miracles, and we are so fortunate to have Youth Leaders like Brittany!

We will begin our first week of Sunday School and Children’s Chapel on Sunday, September 9th, which is Welcome Home Sunday. If you have not already registered your children for Sunday School, please do so as soon as possible. Our team of four fabulous Sunday School Superintendents – Linda Kennedy, Maria LaWalt, Chrissa Mankin and Jim Showalter – is returning again this year to assist the teachers and students. We will also continue Adult Sunday School, led by Shirley Ratliff, from 11:00 am – 11:45 am every Sunday.

Kids’ Club (for children grades 2 – 5) and Youth Group (for Junior and Senior High students) also kick off with a bang in September. Kids’ Club will have their first planning meeting of the year on Sunday, September 16th right after the 11 am service. Come share your ideas of what you would like to see happen this year!

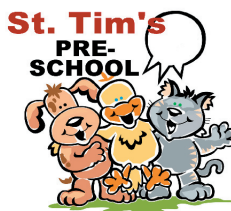
Finally, save the date for our annual St. Timothy’s Holiday Shop, which will be held on Saturday, December 1 for all services in Henry Hall. We already have lots of ministries and vendors signed up to help you get all your holiday shopping done in ONE PLACE. The Holiday Shop supports Christian Education and the Youth Group Mission Trip to Dunagannon.

Invite all your friends and neighbors to join us, and come out for a great time that supports a fabulous cause.

—Marybeth Henry

The Pre-School Page

Don’t forget to stop by the Pre-school display at Welcome Back Sunday on Sept. 9th. Sally Foster catalogs will be available; the Pre-school receives 50% from your order! We appreciate your continued support as we look forward to our new school year!



—Liz Griffith



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

A few thoughts from the Stephen Ministry Leader Training held in August...

Last month I had the calling and also the privilege to attend the Stephen Leader Training in Pittsburgh, Pa. Having been a Stephen Minister for little over a year I felt the calling to learn more so that I would be able to do more for this caring ministry which is so wonderful. There were 473 attending this training conference ranging from Pastors, Stephen Ministers and those training to become Stephen Ministers from the USA, China, Jamaica and Canada. On day two I was asked to take part in a special luncheon on behalf of St. Timothy’s Stephen Ministry program joining six other congregations and the conference leaders as to why our program was so strong and continuing to grow. I shared that St. Timothy’s had 17 Stephen Ministers and two Leaders at present and those in our group had been thru a very structured, spiritual and educational training process. I spoke with the group that it was because of this solid foundation of this magnificent training we had, the spiritual support and awareness of our clergy Father Brad & Reverend Leslie, our Stephen Leaders Cheryl & Jane, The Stephen Ministers, and You, the loving and caring people that make St. Timothy’s our church home that this ministry continues to grow to give the best Christian Care to those in need with one goal, one vision, one heart, one spirit. I am very blessed to have been able to attend this leadership training and want to thank all of you for making this possible. I will do my best with the guidance of our God to join Cheryl & Jane as Stephen Leaders and continue to support all of our Stephen Ministers, Clergy and those most important, those that need care. The 473 attending the training were a very compassionate, sharing people centered in Christ which reminded me of my church family here back home, you of St. Timothy’s. I will never forget the knowledge I received and will always be thankful to be a part of this family of God here at St. Timothy’s. May Peace and God’s love be with all of you.

—Jim Hendrick / Stephen Ministry Leader



Quilt Raffle

The Education Ministry will be selling raffle tickets in September and October to raise money for educational programs. A green and pink star-pattern quilt will be raffled off in October. The quilt was made by Robin HerManyHorses a member of the Lakota tribe in South Dakota. Purchasing tickets will support the Lakota tribe as well as the Christian Education programs. Carmela Condro (703-620-1110) and Rebecca Page (703-435-2542) will sell tickets at the coffee hours.



A Stewardship Message

Luke 6:38 — “Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”

Pipe Organs 101

This article is being provided to you for your education about pipe organs. No opinions will be offered concerning St. Timothy's current ongoing organ discussion between the Vestry and the Organ Committee. We continue our class on the pipe organ.

What other ways to change the sound are there?

As we described before, adding sets of pipes at successively higher harmonics can change the sound. As we alluded to earlier that the shape of a pipe can also change its sound. In the organ there are two main categories of pipes: flue pipes and reed pipes. Flue pipes have no moving parts and generate their sound by vibrating air in a column like a flute or recorder. Reed pipes have an actual mechanical reed, like a clarinet, at the base and then have a resonator above.

Flue pipes can be further classified into two sub-categories: open pipes and stopped or closed pipes. Open pipes are open at each end and have a full harmonic series with the main pitch and harmonics at a frequency of 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, etc. Stopped pipes have a cap on the top and thus the pitch is one octave lower than the pipe would be if it was open. These pipes have only the odd harmonics: 1x, 3x, 5x, 7x, etc. Pipes having only odd harmonics have a uniquely different sound than open pipes.

As a general rule of thumb, the narrower the pipe, the more harmonics it will have, and the wider the pipe, the fewer harmonics it will have. Straight pipes also have more harmonics than tapered pipes. So an organ builder has plenty of things to change to make different sounds: tube shape (straight, tapered), whether is it stopped or not, and pipe material composition.

Pipes are typically made from a tin-lead metal, with the tin content being 30%, 50%, or 70%, and sometimes 90% for the visible pipes. Tin is more expensive than lead (yes, plain old economics is a factor!) and also produces a brighter sound. Pipe metal made at the 50/50 tin/lead mixture is sometimes referred to as "spotted metal" because of an unusual metallurgical property where the metal surface has round patterns approximately 3/8" in diameter. Pipes also can be made of wood. Wooden pipes are typically square or slightly rectangular in cross-section, and are most often stopped pipes.

We had said earlier there are harmonics at successive octaves, but also in-between the octaves. For example, the third harmonic from the low C is a G, up 12 notes from the C. The fifth harmonic is close to the E, 17 notes up from the low C. There are stops where the primary pitch of the pipe is made to be at these non-octave harmonics, so when you play a C, the pipes play a G or E! These stops are called mutations and their designated length a fraction instead of the usual 8', 4', 2' etc. A common mutation would be a 2 2/3' (the G, or 12th) and a 1 3/5' (the E, or 17th) stop. This may sound strange on paper, but when you hear it, it blends perfectly and sounds like another sound "color".

Another stop type is called a mixture. These stops have several pipes that sound together and are not separable. (They may also be called "compound" stops.) These pipes are typically principal-types and sound above the 2' Octave at the G, the next C, the next G, then the next C. These pipes reinforce the main harmonics and have a sound that is unique to the organ.

How would an organ builder use 10 ranks?

In our example, we would see a "stop list" that might look like this: 8' Principal, 8' Flute, 4' Octave, 4' Flute, 2' Octave, 1 1/3' Mixture IV, 8' Trumpet

In this example we see an 8' Principal, which would be the main "foundation" sound. These pipes would stand at the front of the windchest and be the ones you would most likely see. The 8' Flute would likely be a stopped set of pipes, so the low C would really only be 4' long. The 4' Octave is one-half the length of the 8' Principal, speaking one octave above. The 4' Flute would possibly be a tapered open set of pipes, not as bright as the 4' Octave. The 2' Octave would be principal-style pipes. The 1 1/3' Mixture would be a set of 4 pipes that play together. The low C would have a G 2-and-one-half above the low 8' C, then the successive C, G, and C above that G. The mixture pipes would be principal-style pipes also, and add brightness and power to the ensemble. The 8' Trumpet would be a set of reed pipes. This would make a group of 610 pipes of 10 ranks in 7 stops controlled by a keyboard of 61 keys.

Next month, we will learn about why there are multiple keyboards and pedals, where organs are used, digital vs. pipe organs, and what kind of music is available for the organ.

St. Tim's Troop 159

It has been a busy summer for scouts from Troop 159. There were 14 scouts and 5 leaders who more than survived --thrived-- during a week at summer Camp Ottari, earning advancement and merit badges. Another group of scouts and leaders spent a week at Sea Base in Florida, trying not to let a little thing like Hurricane Dean get in the way of their scuba adventure. This summer the troop is celebrating its two newest Eagle Scouts, Andrew Reeve and Jeff Miller. So far this year four scouts from 159 have achieved Scouting's highest honor.

Plans are in the works for another adventurous year, including winter hikes on snow covered hillsides that end comfy cabins warmed by wood fires; and canoe rides along rambling country rivers. Remember, life takes some adventurous turns in Boy Scouts. Want to get in on the action? Contact Carolyn Edner at 703-742-9654 or email her at cedner@cox.net. No experience necessary!



From the Music Director

September is here and so is the beginning of the new choir season at St. Timothy's! We have many exciting new events planned this year in addition to singing for our Sunday morning services. I want to encourage you to please take a look at the list of concerts and evening services that are scheduled for the coming months. I hope you will have time to come out and enjoy what the Music Ministry is offering this year.

Also, I want to extend an invitation to everyone interested to come and see what's happening at our rehearsals. We are always welcoming new singers and ringers into our St. Cecilia, Handbell, Jubilate (youth), and St. Ambrose Choirs. No experience is required!

The weekend of September 21-22, our St. Cecilia and St. Ambrose Choirs will meet at the College of Preachers, at the Washington National Cathedral, for their first annual choir retreat. This will give us the opportunity to relax, re-create, and sing together in the beautiful setting of the Cathedral grounds. The retreat will be a fantastic opportunity for new members to get to know current members and will allow time for us to grow and as a group.

Brand new events this year will include a Choral Evensong for the Feast of All Saints on Sunday November 4, at 5:00 pm and a Christmas Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols on December 23, also at 5:00 pm. Each service will be held at St. Timothy's and will be open to the general public as part of our Concert Series. See the October issue of the Word for a detailed listing of our new Concert Series.

As I look towards the coming season with great anticipation, I encourage you all to consider joining one of our ensembles, or to plan on attending what will be uplifting and inspiring new events in the life of St. Timothy's.—Peter

CHOIR REGISTRATION FORM 2007

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS _____

Please indicate the choir(s) you would like to learn more about:

St. Cecilia Choir ____ Handbell Choir ____ Jubilate Choir ____ St. Ambrose Choir ____

St. Cecilia Choir	Handbell Choir	Jubilate Choir (Ages 8+)
Tuesdays 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Wednesdays 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Thursdays 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Sundays 9:00 am		

St. Ambrose Choir
 Thursdays 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm
 Sundays 10:40 am

Jubilate Choir For Youth

This September, St. Timothy's will welcome our newly formed choir for youth, the Jubilate Choir. We will meet Thursdays from 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm and will sing periodically for either the 9:30 am or 11:00 am Sunday service.

The choir experience will provide singers with a basic introduction to music and note reading, correct singing technique, and will be a great way to discover the history and purpose behind the music that is part of our tradition in the Episcopal Church.

We will use the methods developed by the Royal School of Church Music, which incorporate a graded system of specific goals or 'targets' to be met with appropriate awards and recognition once they are achieved. The methods are designed to allow each child to work

through at their own pace and do not expect or require the entire choir to achieve the same goals at the same time. While it can sound like a lot of heavy or arduous formal training, it's not. It's actually a flexible, fun approach to first-time membership in a church choir. It's also a free opportunity for your child to begin learning the basics of music while preparing songs to sing in church.

If you think your child may be interested in joining us, please contact me and plan to come to our first rehearsal on Thursday September 6, at 4:30 pm. No outright commitment is required until your child decides they are ready.

Also, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like more information.

Thank you, *Peter*

Dugannon Mission Trip 2007



Projects Completed - 2007

1. **Nancy Carter (Blackmore)** – Repaired and painted tin roof and fascia board, installed soffit and flashing, removed flower boxes
2. **Narnie Sluss (Blackmore)** – Painted back porch and removed old paint.
3. **Nannie Marshall (Long Hollow)** – Replaced mobile home underpinning, painted porch and handrail
4. **Georgia Baldwin (Dugannon)** – Cool sealed roof, replaced rear steps, replaced flooring
5. **Blueberry Hill Estates (Dugannon)** – Demolished addition, replaced siding, repaired roof, added new decking and rails, repaired electric, added gutter.
6. **Dallas Taylor (Natural Tunnel)** – Removed and replaced shingle roof
7. **Kevin Sloan (Duffield)** – Removed and replaced shingle roof, installed fascia boards
8. **Stewart Splawn (Dugannon)** – Painted kitchen cabinets, trim, 2 bedrooms, living room, dining room
9. **Lucy Estep (Long Hollow)** – Put on tin roof over shingles
10. **Phoenix Center (Dugannon)** – Reworked flower bed and landscaped, removed sidewalk lights, fixed shelves in pantry, painted under hanging roof to cover graffiti, painted tin roof on little tool shed; fixed underpinning
11. **Green House Project (Phoenix Center)**
– Built 2 tables
12. **Backpacks** – backpacks donated by St. Timothy's and St. Thomas were filled with donated supplies from St. Thomas and the DDC
13. **Thrift Store** - Cleaned and donated clothes

Thank you, St. Timothy's, for all your support to enable us to complete our mission and walk in Christ's path to help others in need.

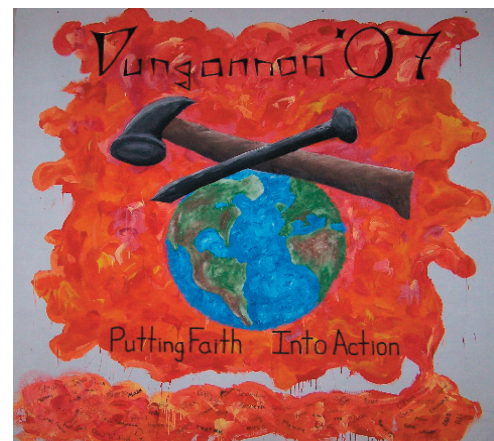
“Hammer and a Nail: Putting Faith into Action.”

Clearing webs from the hovel
A blistered hand on the handle of a shovel
I've been digging too deep
I always do
I see my face on the surface
I look a lot like narcissus
A dark abyss of an emptiness
Standing on the edge of a drowning blue

I look behind my ears for the green
And even my sweat smells clean
Glare off the white hurts my eyes
I gotta get out of bed
Get a hammer and a nail
Learn how to use my hands
Not just my head
I think myself in a jail
Now I know a refuge never grows
From a chin in a hand
And a thoughtful pose
Gotta tend the earth
If you want a rose

I had a lot of good intentions
Sit around for fifty years
And then collect a pension
Started seeing the road to hell
And just where it starts
But my life is more than a vision
The sweetest part is acting
After making a decision
Started seeing the whole
As a sum of its parts

And I look behind my ears for the green
And even my sweat smells clean
Glare off the white hurts my eyes
Gotta get out of bed
Get a hammer and a nail
Learn how to use my hands
Not just my head
I think myself in a jail
Now I know a refuge never grows
From a chin in a hand
And a thoughtful pose
Gotta tend the earth
If you want a rose





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Editor's Comments: Fall is just around the corner. Welcome Home Sunday is the 9th and all the ministries will be vying for your interest in what they do and how you can join in. The choirs are starting up and it looks like a full season of great music at the services and Peter is working on a full menu of Concerts for your pleasure. Please make sure you are keeping up with your pledges (so our Treasurer doesn't become too stressed out). Please take a look at all the Christian Ed. opportunities being offered this fall and join us for uplifting and informational discussions. Peace & Grace — *Charlie*

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