

From the Rector, Fr. Brad Rundlett: Farewell

August 9th will be my final day as the Rector of St. Timothy's. I have had the great privilege of serving you. and with you. for twenty-one years, seven months, and nine days. I have witnessed miracles and wonders beyond my most extreme expectations:

- Thanks to Helen Guest our preschool is simply the best.
- We host 26 Recovery groups very week (lives are saved every day).
- We have an excellent Christian Education program
- We help local marginal and homeless people.
- We have mission trips on the Pine Ridge Reservation, Scott County, Virginia, and Haiti.
- Our ten acres and outdoor chapel are more beautiful than most parks.
- We have teams that take Holy Communion to people who can't come to Church.

- We have magnificent music, a great facility, the very best staff ... but most of all,
- We have faithful, devoted, generous people; of all colors and nationalities!

I hope and pray you will hold onto all of these wonderful gifts, especially the gift of each other and God's Spirit in you.

It has been a great joy and honor to be your rector all these years. "May the peace of God that surpasses all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and his Son Jesus Christ. And the blessing of Almighty God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - is within you and will remain with you forever."

—Brad +

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From Fr. Mark Michael: Christ's Gift of Growth

"I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth." I Cor. 3:6

My family and I were delighted to receive the call from God to come and join you at Saint Timothy's. I look forward to leading you during this time of transition as you say farewell to Father Brad, and prepare in time to receive the ministry of a new permanent rector. It has been a special gift to be able to work alongside Father

Brad for nearly a month. It's lifted a bit of the burden from both of us, and he has helped me to understand many different ways that God is doing wonderful things among you.

I can certainly understand why you have come to love him so much. He is a man of great compassion and wisdom, and you bear the stamp of his leadership in many ways (as I'm sure

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Services June 7 - September 6: 8 and 10 am

Backpack Drive Ends August 9

Cornerstones, in cooperation with Kids R First, is collecting backpacks until August 9 for kids in need.

School is out, and while children in our community are dreaming of fun-filled summer days, Cornerstones is working to ensure they are prepared for the academic year. A concerning number of families in our neighborhoods are unable to afford backpacks, school supplies, or other essential items to help a child be fully prepared to start school.

We can only accept newly purchased backpacks, and regret that we cannot take bags

with wheels or corporate logos. Larger sized 25-30 liter size backpacks are preferred. Last year we reached our goal of 50 backpacks—so we have increased this year's goal to 65, but we need your donations! Tax free shopping is August 7-9 and Target, Costco and others have great prices right now!

Drop off your donations in Henry Hall and the Service Ministry will deliver the backpacks to Cornerstones. Contact Jill Norcross, jillnorcross@verizon.net or 703-587-4098 with any questions.

The Service Ministry appreciates your generosity in putting your faith to work. +

Vestry Update

June Giving: \$52,972

Monthly Expenses: \$58,250

YTD Deficit: \$32,325

Monthly giving needed (Jul-Dec): \$63,637.

At the June Vestry meeting, the Vestry unanimously approved the formation of the Haiti Ministry, designation of a housing allowance for Fr. Mark Michael, and moving expenses for Fr. Mark Michael. The Vestry reiterated its request that the Finance Committee provide a recommendation as to what type and amount of paid support St. Timothy's needs in order to move forward with generating taxable income (such as selling advertising in publications), and requested regular reports from the Organ Committee.

The next vestry meeting is August 28 at 7:30 p.m in B1. Please discuss any questions with a Vestry member. +

Fr. Brad Hosts Lunch for The Closet, Celebrating 40 Years

This year The Closet celebrated its 40th year in existence, and Father Brad Rundlett, used the occasion to show his and his St. Timothy's special support and gratitude to the people at The Closet who make this stellar record possible.

Marie Lally worked with Brad to organize the event, at which Brad treated the entire staff of The Closet to lunch at Mediterranean Breeze on Friday, July 17.

The Closet is one of the few non-profit thrift stores operating today that can boast of such longevity and continued success.

The secret to The Closet's endurance, continued growth, and ever expanding outreach to others is the team, both workers and managers, who show up every day and do their best to make the next sales day another success.

In doing this, you are engaging in the most important work that God asks us to do: love our neighbors, clothe the naked, feed the hungry, and welcome the stranger.

Consider volunteering at the Closet, and putting your faith to work. +



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you do also of your associate rectors and those who lead you before he arrived). Father Brad's insistence on God's love for all people has shaped your active mission program and gathered together a deeply diverse and open-hearted congregation. I know that you will all want to take time in the next few weeks to speak or write to him, thanking him for the way he has helped you to grow in faith and discipleship. You will also want to spend time praying for him and his family as he discerns how to continue using his gifts in retirement.

It's a good and holy thing to love a departing rector. But it's never a good thing to rest your faith entirely on the talents and insights of a single human leader. From the beginning, Christian ministry has been envisioned as a temporary call. God calls leaders to serve for a time and then to move on, so others may fill their place. Leaders bring different gifts, and a healthy congregation will learn to receive these gifts graciously, but to remain open to new things that God wants to give.

Saint Paul, for example, founded the church in Corinth, but after he departed to build churches in Asia Minor, a gifted preacher named Apollos took his place. We learn from I Corinthians that this succession of leaders led to conflict in the church, with some of the members declaring themselves as followers of Paul and others of Apollos. Paul condemns the division (which wouldn't be the last of its kind) as a tragic misunderstanding of the way Christ leads the Church. The Church is Christ's Body, he reminds them, empowered by His Spirit. He is the head of the church and the source of its life. Christ raises up leaders to share His grace and speak His wisdom. But these leaders only play small roles in His plan. Paul only planted the seed. Apollos only watered. The growth, the miracle of new life at the heart of every church, is Christ's gift.

If Saint Timothy's depended entirely on Father Brad, it would be something far less than what God has called and equipped it to be. If it was to rely only on my insight and skills, it would be in even worse shape, I can assure you. Father Brad and I are just servants of Christ, seeking His glory, doing His work. This month we have the joy of sharing in that work together. But even after Father Brad departs, I will continue to build on what God has done through him, trusting that Christ intends to do even more good things among and through you in the days to come.

In Christ,
Father Mark +



GtGtL Organ Update

This summer John Farmer and his staff have been rebuilding their primary shop while they work on some of the smaller parts of our organ in Kristen Farmer's studio space. The Gifts to Glorify the Lord (GtGtL) funding level at the end of May stands at \$330,311. A remaining balance of \$223,200 is due to Farmer for the rest of the restoration work as various milestones are completed. To see photos of work in progress, visit the church Facebook page: #NoMooreMondays. The St Tim's Friday e-news also has periodic updates with photos, so [visit the website](#) and sign up to receive email updates!

Goodbye

“Goodbye” – God be with you- as said of old.
“Fare ye well” is a phrase oft told
To those one meets both far and near
To those you love whom you hold dear.

“Shalom, “salaam” and “pax vobiscum”
All wish a gift of peace for some
Who live in turmoil, war and strife
But only wish for a peaceful life.

“Adios”, “adieu”, “au revoir”, and “nameste”
Express a wish that you should stay,
While “Auld Lang Syne” and other songs
Express reunion for which one longs.

“In peace I leave you, peace I give”
Said Christ to all who come to live
The life He bade His flock to lead
And minister to each others need.

So, sad may “farewell” be at the time
Of parting from friends with wave-like mime,
But “God be with ye” will carry us through
And with full hearts we say “May God bless you”.

—Jill Cox



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Submission deadline for the next issue: Friday, September 25, 2015

Questions, articles, or ideas, and comments for The Word are always welcome. Send materials via email to wordeditor@saint-timothys.org and put "The Word" in the subject line. Photos are also welcome; please identify key people in photos. Articles or letters may be edited.

Welcome, New Registered Members

Kayla Denise Barfield

Evelyn Carol Dawley

Noelle Hein Flusche

Dariel Alfonso Bonilla Lemus

Annamarie Victoria Roselle

Madeline Isabel Downer

Casey Michelle Kecman

We have *many* active congregants who have been attending and donating to St. Timothy's for many years who are not registered members! Our goal is to aid the transfer of all congregants interested in being registered members of St. Timothy's.

Non-registered members can participate in all aspects of church worship except serving on the Vestry and participating in elections. However, the more registered members St. Timothy's has recorded the more delegates we can send to the conventions (thus giving us a stronger vote in Diocese matters).

To transfer your membership to St. Tim's, or to find out if you are a registered member, contact Nikki O'Malley (nikki.omalley@gmail.com) or fill out the Parishioner Information Form: www.saint-timothys.org/uploads/docs/info-form.pdf

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**Service Times:
Summer Schedule**

Sundays

8:00 a.m.

Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 a.m.

Eucharist, Rite II

English-Espanol

Nursery Care

Godly Play, ages 3-8

Wednesday

12:15 P.M.

Eucharist and

Healing Service

Saturday

7:00 P.M.

Oracion y Alabanza