



**St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**

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Sunday, January 3, 2016

*A Service of Lessons & Carols for Christmas*

8 & 10 a.m.



**Sunday Services**

8:00 a.m. Lessons & Carols for Christmas

10:00 a.m. Lessons & Carols for Christmas

**Christian Education Opportunities**

9:00 a.m. Adult Education in Henry Hall

There are no Christian Education programs for Children today due to the Holidays.

**Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday (The Daily Office)**

Morning Prayer @ 8:45 a.m. (20 minutes) Evening Prayer @ 5:00 p.m. (20 minutes)

**Wednesday Healing Service & Eucharist**

12:15 p.m.

**Service in Spanish (*español*)**

Saturdays @ 7 p.m. Santa Eucharistia

**Saint Timothy's Mission Statement**

AS PEOPLE OF GOD, 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.

## Information For Our First Time Guests



All children are welcome to stay with parents in the Sanctuary during worship. However, for parents of children ages 0-3 years who want nursery care, we have a well-equipped and professionally-staffed nursery at the end of the hall nearest the Sanctuary. Each child brought to the nursery is given a number; only the parents of the child can take the child from the nursery. If a parent is needed during worship, the child's number will appear (in red LED's) on the black panels beneath the hymn boards on both sides of the Chancel. Parents, please bring diapers, any snacks, and formula as needed for your child.



All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Sacrament. If you have not been baptized, please come to the Altar rail for a blessing during Holy Communion (place your arms across your chest to signify your desire for a blessing). If you would like to be baptized, please speak with the clergy after the service. To receive Holy Communion, accept the bread in your hand and place it in your mouth, then sip wine from the Chalice when it is brought to you (guide the Chalice to your mouth please), or hold the bread, dip it in the wine when the chalice comes to you, and place the bread with wine in your mouth. If you are allergic to wheat or are gluten intolerant, please let the person serving bread know to give you a rice wafer.

## Staff

*Regular church office hours are 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday - Thursday and 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Friday. If you would like to make an appointment to speak with a member of the clergy, feel free to call the office at 703.437.3790.*

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Prelude

While Shepherds Watched their Flocks  
Fum, Fum, Fum-arr.

arr. Fred Bock  
Sondra K. Tucker

The Handbell Choir

The Hymn in Procession

Once in Royal David's City

Hymnal 102

At 8 a.m., only first & last verses are sung.

At 10 a.m. Stanza 1 Solo / Stanza 2 Choir / Stanza 3-6 All

1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty stood a  
 2 He came down to earth from hea - ven, who is  
 \*3 We, like Ma - ry, rest con - fess - ed that a  
 4 For he is our life - long pat - tern; dai - ly,  
 \*5 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his  
 6 Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the

1 low - ly cat - tle shed, where a mo - ther laid her  
 2 God and Lord of all, and his shel - ter was a  
 3 sta - ble should dis - play hea - ven's Word, the world's cre -  
 4 when on earth he grew, he was tempt - ed, scorned, re -  
 5 own re - deem - ing love; for that child who seemed so  
 6 ox - en stand - ing round, we shall see him; but in

1 ba - by in a man - ger for his bed: Ma - ry  
 2 sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall; with the  
 3 a - tor, cra - dled there on Christ - mas Day, yet this  
 4 ject - ed, tears and smiles like us he knew. Thus he  
 5 help - less is our Lord in heaven a - bove; and he  
 6 hea - ven, where his saints his throne sur - round: Christ, re -

1 was that mo - ther mild, — Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child. —  
 2 poor, the scorned, the low - ly, lived on earth our Sa - vior ho - ly.  
 3 child, our Lord and bro - ther, brought us love for one an - oth - er.  
 4 feels for all our sad - ness, and he shares in all our glad - ness.  
 5 leads his chil - dren on — to the place where he is gone. —  
 6 vealed to faith - ful eye, — set at God's right hand on high. —

*The people remain standing*

### **A Bidding Prayer**

*Celebrant:* Beloved in Christ, in this Christmastide, let it be our care and delight to hear again the message of the Angels, and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, and the Babe lying in a manger.

Let us read and mark in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God from the first days of our disobedience unto the glorious Redemption brought us by this holy Child; and let us make this *place* glad with our carols of praise. But first, let us pray for the needs of his whole world; for peace and goodwill over all the earth; for the mission and unity of the Church for which he died, and especially in this country and within this *city*.

And because this of all things would rejoice his heart, let us at this time remember in his name the poor and the helpless, the hungry and the oppressed; the sick and those who mourn; the lonely and the unloved; the aged and the little children; and all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love.

Lastly, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother, and all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we for evermore are one. These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the throne of heaven, in the words which Christ himself hath taught us:

*Celebrant and congregation:*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven,  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant* The Almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and to the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of angels bring us all. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

### The First Lesson

Genesis 3:1-15

*Adam and Eve rebel against God and are cast out of the Garden of Eden*

The man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and they hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,  
cursed are you among all animals  
and among all wild creatures;  
upon your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.  
I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and hers;  
he will strike your head,  
and you will strike his heel."

And to the man he said,  
'Because you have listened to the voice of your wife,  
and have eaten of the tree  
about which I commanded you,  
You shall not eat of it',  
cursed is the ground because of you;  
in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life;  
thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you;  
and you shall eat the plants of the field.  
By the sweat of your face  
you shall eat bread  
until you return to the ground,  
for out of it you were taken;  
you are dust,  
and to dust you shall return."

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

**Carol 56**

*O come, O come Emmanuel!*  
*At 8 a.m., only first & last verses are sung.*  
*At 10 a.m. (Vss. 1,6,7,8)*

Veni, veni Emmanuel

**The Second Lesson**

**Isaiah 11: 1–3a; 4a; 6–9**

*The peace that Christ will bring is foreshown.*

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.  
The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.  
His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.  
With righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;  
The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.  
The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together;  
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.  
The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.  
They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD  
as the waters cover the sea.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

***People*** Thanks be to God.

**Carol 81**

*Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming*  
*At 8 a.m., only first & last verses are sung.*

Es ist ein Ros

## The Third Lesson

Luke 1: 26–35; 38

*The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary*

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

**Carol 265**

*The angel Gabriel from heaven came  
At 8 a.m., only first & last verses are sung.*

**Gabriel's Message**

## The Fourth Lesson

Luke 2: 1; 3–7

*St Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.*

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

**Carol 79**

*O little town of Bethlehem  
At 8 a.m., only first & last verses are sung.*

**St. Louis**

## The Fifth Lesson

Luke 2: 8-16

*The shepherds go to the manger.*

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-- I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

Carol 96

*Angels we have heard on high  
At 8 a.m., only first & last verses are sung.*

Gloria

## The Sixth Lesson

Matthew 2: 1-12

*The wise men are led by the star to Jesus.*

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: `And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

Carol 128

*We Three Kings  
At 8 a.m., only first & last verses are sung.*

Three Kings of Orient



## The Seventh Lesson

John 1: 1-14

*St John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

***People*** Thanks be to God.

## Carol 83

*O come all ye faithful*

**Adeste Fideles**

*At 8 a.m., only first & last verses are sung.*

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

***People*** ***And also with you.***

## Welcome & Announcements

## The Offering

*Celebrant* The angel said to the shepherds, "Behold, I bring you good news of a great joy, for to you is born this day the Savior of the world, alleluia." Luke 2:10-11

## The Holy Communion

### Offertory Hymn 105

*God Rest You Merry Gentlemen*

### The Collect for Communion

*Celebrant:* Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven,**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,**

**for ever and ever. Amen.**

### Lamb of God S 161

David Hurd

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### Administration of Communion

*Celebrant:* The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. **Amen.**

Hymn 115

*What child is this, who, laid to rest*

Greensleeves

Hymn 109

*The first* Nowell

The First Nowell

Hymn 114

*'Twas in the moon of winter-time*

Une Jeune Pucelle

## Postcommunion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Solemn Blessing of Christmas

May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness. **Amen.**

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel. **Amen.**

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## Recessional Hymn 87

*Hark the herald angels sing*

**Mendelssohn**

*At 8 a.m., only first & last verses are sung.*

## Dismissal

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

*People* **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

## Closing Voluntary

*God Rest ye merry gentlemen*

**English Carol**

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## Assisting in the Preparation and Conduct of Worship

|                              |   |  |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| <b>Altar Guild</b>           | Carol Sinclair, Jean Lammers, Liz Ward, Adaku Nwachukwu |  |
| <b>Counters</b>              | Keith Pinkard, Tina Pinkard                             |  |
| <b>Ushers</b>                | 8 am  | Hal Hallett, Bill Outerbridge  |
|                              | 10 am   | Bill Bate, Emilia Mbonu, Stephanie Kenis   |
| <b>Greeters</b>              | 8 am  | Beth Hwoschinsky, Peter Hwoschinsky  |
|                              | 10 am   | Thelma Hubert, Janet Muich   |
| <b>Lay</b>                   | 8 am  | Diane Miller, Marie Lally  |
| <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> | 10 am   | Donna Marie Barrett, Betsy Bosworth-Knoizen, Sean Brady, Jane Burkett, Edna Whittick, Keith Sinclair |
| <b>Acolytes</b>              | 10 am   | Gabe Fang-Weeden, Ellen Grace Burke  |

### Thank You for Making A Difference!



Thank you to the **2015 Vestry** for your leadership and guidance. Thank you for giving of your time and talent to help lead Saint Tim's during the last year.

*Have someone you'd like to thank for contributing to St. Timothy's in some way? Send an email to [thanks@saint-timothys.org](mailto:thanks@saint-timothys.org) with the person's name and what they did, and we will thank them in a future bulletin & eNews.*

### Do you need someone to talk to? Call a Stephen Minister!

Beth Hwoschinsky  
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**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**



### Last Names G - L:

#### Please Bring Something For Coffee Hours On January 10!

We need your help to make our coffee hour a success. Please bring in a treat, pastry, or snack to share with others. Simply place whatever you've brought on the table in Henry Hall before you head into the service.

**Upcoming:** **M - R** on January 17 and **S - Z** on January 24.

## Church Events @ St. Tim's This Week

*Only ministry related events are listed. Visit [www.saint-timothys.org](http://www.saint-timothys.org) and click on the calendar link to see the full calendar.*

| Day                  | Time        | Event                                   | Location             |
|----------------------|-------------|---|----------------------|
| <b>Sunday 1/3</b>    | 8 & 10 a.m. | Lessons & Carols & Holy Eucharist       | Sanctuary            |
|                      | 9 a.m.      | Choir Rehearsal                         | Music Room           |
|                      | 7 p.m.      | Estudios Biblicos ( <i>en español</i> ) | B1                   |
| <b>Monday 1/4</b>    | 8:45 a.m.   | Morning Prayer Service (20 minutes)     | Sanctuary            |
|                      | 5 p.m.      | Evening Prayer Service (20 minutes)     | Sanctuary            |
|                      | 7 p.m.      | BSA Troop 159 Meeting                   | Henry Hall           |
| <b>Tuesday 1/5</b>   | 8:45 a.m.   | Morning Prayer Service (20 minutes)     | Sanctuary            |
|                      | 5 p.m.      | Evening Prayer Service (20 minutes)     | Sanctuary            |
| <b>Wednesday 1/6</b> | 10 a.m.     | Morning Bible Study                     | Kitchen              |
|                      | 12:15 p.m.  | Holy Eucharist & Healing Prayer Service | Sanctuary            |
|                      | 7 p.m.      | Handbell Choir Rehearsal                | Music Room           |
| <b>Thursday 1/7</b>  | 8:45 a.m.   | Morning Prayer Service (20 minutes)     | Sanctuary            |
|                      | 5 p.m.      | Evening Prayer Service (20 minutes)     | Sanctuary            |
|                      | 7 p.m.      | Saint Tim's Adult Voice Choir Rehearsal | Music Room           |
| <b>Friday 1/8</b>    | 6 p.m.      | Rehearsal for Choir en Español          | Music Room           |
| <b>Saturday 1/9</b>  | 9 a.m.      | Altar Guild                             | Sanctuary, AG Rm, HH |
|                      | 7 p.m.      | Santa Eucaristia                        | Sanctuary & HH       |
| <b>Sunday 1/10</b>   | 8 & 10 a.m. | Holy Eucharist                          | Sanctuary            |
|                      | 9 a.m.      | Choir Rehearsal                         | Music Room           |
|                      | 11:30 a.m.  | Annual Congregational Meeting           | Henry Hall           |
|                      | 7 p.m.      | Estudios Biblicos ( <i>en español</i> ) | B1                   |



- Sun. 1/3** Nora Menjivar
- Mon. 1/4** Michelle Gibbs, Jon Petrosian
- Tue. 1/5** Grace Contento, Don Gaudutis, Kate Parker
- Wed. 1/6** Cheryl Brock, Ella LaRe, Kaitlyn Law, Emily Marx
- Thu. 1/7** Elijah McCarthy-Hopkins, Sara Zetlan
- Fri. 1/8** Danny Wechtenhiser, Natasha Grotke, Wynee Wilson, Dina Gutierrez
- Sat. 1/9** Betsy Hall, Nina Harmon

### General Announcements

#### **Angel Tree Program Collection Ends Today!**

Our beloved Angel Tree collection program for scarves, hats, mittens, socks, and gloves ends today. Please place your generous donations under the tree by 10:00 a.m. so that we can deliver them to the adults and children of the Embry Rucker Shelter and LAWS. Many, many thanks for your generosity throughout this blessed holiday season!

#### **Today is the Second Sunday of Christmastide.**

In this season of twelve days, we celebrate the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ at Bethlehem. God has come to us in the Christ Child to save and renew the world.

## **General Announcements** *(Continued)*

### **The Service Of Lessons And Carols...**

... is based on a liturgy devised by Archbishop A. C. Benson from ancient and medieval sources, which was first used at Truro Cathedral in England on Christmas Eve, 1880. The present service is closely based on the one developed by the Very Revd. Eric Milner-White for use in the Chapel of King's College, Cambridge in 1918. The King's College service is broadcast around the world each year on Christmas Eve.

The lessons trace the history of man's redemption: from his fall from grace, through the expectant watchfulness of the people of Israel, and finally to the birth of the Messiah. The solemn beauty of the readings contrasts with the simple joyfulness of the carols. The lessons reach their dramatic conclusion with the solemn proclamation of God becoming flesh in Christ to dwell with His people.

### **The Feast of the Epiphany or the Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles, ...**

...celebrates the coming of the wise men from the East to worship the Infant Christ. This feast marks the end of the Christmas season, and turns our attention to the way in which Christ came to fulfill the ancient promises that through the Messiah, the blessings of salvation would be extended to all the people of the earth. A Eucharist for the feast will be celebrated on Wednesday at 12:15.

### **Annual House Blessings**

Annual House Blessings are traditional in the season of Epiphany, the only great event in the history of salvation to take place in a home. Father Mark will gladly come to your home for a short service of blessing. A calendar in the Narthex lists times when he is available.

### **Diagnosis Dementia; A Free 5 Session Course Offered Sundays in January in Vienna.**

Church of the Holy Comforter- Episcopal, at 543 Beulah Rd in Vienna is hosting a five session series geared toward individuals who have just been diagnosed with a memory impairment and for their families. This is also for those who are caregivers to aging parents who live elsewhere. The sessions will help you start planning for the future while also adjusting to a new life with someone who has dementia. To register for these free sessions, call Holy Comforter at 703.938.6521 or email [lbleich@holyccomforter.com](mailto:lbleich@holyccomforter.com).

### **Two New Adult Bible Study Classes Are Beginning In The New Year.**

"In the Beginning" is a seven-week course about the Book of Genesis taught by Fr. Mark and Rev. Allison Michael on Sunday mornings at 9 am in Henry Hall, beginning January 3. We will survey some of the Bible's best known and most compelling stories and how they have shaped Christian thought and Western culture. Jane Burkett will lead a Bible study on I Corinthians on Tuesday nights in the Narthex at 7:30, beginning January 5. One of the New Testament's most fascinating books, I Corinthians takes us inside the joys and struggles of the early church, which often have surprising relevance for living as Christians today. Jane recently completed an M. A. in New Testament at Duke University.

All are welcome. Starting on January 10, a Godly Play class for children 3-8 will be offered concurrently with the Sunday morning study.

### **Holy Baptism On January 10**

Holy Baptism will be administered on January 10 at the 10:00 Service. If you would like to present a candidate for Baptism, please contact the Church Office.

## **General Announcements** *(Continued)*

### **Save The Date: Our Annual Meeting Will Be Next Sunday, January 10 At 11:30 A.M.!**

Following a brief business meeting and election of new vestry members, we'll share a meal. Rev. Mary Thorpe, Diocesan Transition Officer, will make a presentation about the Search Process and answer questions. The vestry plans to choose members for the Rector Search Committee at their annual retreat on January 29-30, which will mark the beginning of our rector search process. Please speak with a vestry member if you feel God may be calling you to serve Saint Timothy's in this role.

### **St. Timothy's View Point Book Club**

We will be reading "The Aviator's Wife" by Melanie Benjamin over the next few weeks and we will meet on Saturday January 16 at 9:30 a.m. at Panera Bread, Elden St. Herndon. The book is available from the book kit near the mail boxes outside the office from today, December 20. Please be sure to sign the list if you borrow a book! You are welcome to borrow a book even if you cannot attend the discussion group and you are invited to submit your comments in paper or by e-mail to [jillcoxva@verizon.net](mailto:jillcoxva@verizon.net) from whom you can obtain information or you can phone 703.963.8251.

### **GtGtL 2015 Year End Summary (Gifts to Glorify the Lord)**

- February- Our 145 yr. old organ was carefully disassembled and transported to NC for restoration;
- March- Our organ builder's main workshop was completely destroyed by an arson fire;
- Summer to Fall- Estimates and bids for sanctuary flooring and upgrades collected by GtGtL team;
- Early November- GtGtL hosted the most successful Holiday Bazaar to date!
- Mid-November- Construction began on J. Farmer's main workshop barn – Alleluia.
- Early January 2016- Expected completion of the rebuilt workshop in NC.
- Fall 2016- New projected date for our fully restored pipe organ to be re-installed at St. Tim's.



## **Saint Timothy's Prayer List** *Submissions added this week are in italics.*

### **Health & Other Needs**

Ralph, Bill, Dave, Florita, Jean, Ted, Laura, Mary, Jean, Loran, Julie, Geoff, Mabel, Dave, Melissa, Paige, Phyllis, Pam, Cheryl, David, Diane, Christine, Richard, Herta, Catherine, Matthew, Julie, Bill, June, The people of Haiti, Our Little Roses Orphanage, Residents of the Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter, Alma, Donna, William, Dora, Barbara, Anne, Kathryn, Joey, Richard, Sue, Damien, Jerry, Elaine, Kevin, Jeanne, and Jane.

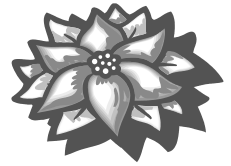
**Friends, Family Members, and of Parishioners:** Evelyn, Pete, Lenore, Cheryl, Doug, Buzz, Charles, Max, Kevin and Hannah, Annette, Roger, Will, Marcel, Sally, Dr. Sakr, and Dara.

**Please Note:** *Email requests to [Prayer@saint-timothy.org](mailto:Prayer@saint-timothy.org) with the name of the person and prayer request. Please note, the request itself will only be placed on the list for the Pastoral Care Team to pray for; first names will be placed in the bulletin. If you don't have access to email, call the church office & leave your request with the Director of Parish Operations, 703.437.3790 x.10.*

### **Bulletin & eNews Submissions Reminder**

*Submissions for the weekly bulletin and eNews are due Wednesdays by 9 a.m. of the week they are published unless otherwise communicated. If you would like to submit a church related announcement, you can email the Director Of Parish Operations at [office@saint-timothy.org](mailto:office@saint-timothy.org). You will receive a reply email to confirm your submission was received.*

# Christmas Flower Dedications



- Edward & Sharon Borosky** *In Thanksgiving for all our blessings.*
- Wendy Budd** *In Memory of Stella Budd.*
- The Condro Family** *In Memory of Mary & Joseph Ieraci, and Victoria & Frank Condro.*
- Eleanor Day** *In Thanksgiving for all my many blessings*
- Don and Carol Durand** *In Memory of Jes Van Evera & In Thanksgiving for St. Timothy's Church.*
- The Froemming Family** *In Memory of and with love for Richard Froemming and in Thanksgiving for Christ's birth!*
- Dave & Lydia Gough** *In Memory of Walter Gough and Joan Bayfield and in Thanksgiving for our family and friends.*
- Jackson & Suzanne Hauslein** *In Memory of Jeff Wickersham, Jackson & Helen Anne Hauslein and in Thanksgiving for Eva Wickersham.*
- John & Carol Jensen** *In Thanksgiving for God's many blessings.*
- Mary Keiler** *In Thanksgiving for my daughter, Leslie Keiler.*
- Kent & Diane Miller** *In Loving Memory of our fathers Thaddeus Gronkiewicz & Kenton Miller*
- Charles & Nikki O'Malley** *In memory of departed loved ones and in Thanksgiving for K.C. and Molly, Charlotte & Calvin, and our St. Tim's Family!*
- Mary Perry** *In Thanksgiving for Amelia & Anna.*
- The Pinkard Family** *To the glory of God!*
- Sandra Schanné** *In Thanksgiving for the blessings of a loving family.*
- The Sinclairs** *In Memory of Jeff & Nan Sinclair.*
- Pat & Deke Smith** *In Memory of Kevin, Mary Gay, Adelene, Bill and in Thanksgiving for Sandy, Justin, Riley, Megan, Josh, Wyatt, Mason, Scott, & Joan.*
- Muriel Turner** *In Memory of Harlin G. Turner.*
- Sue & Louis Van Meers** *In Memory of Marty Burke, Sue's sister.*