



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

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Sunday, December 4, 2016

Second Sunday of Advent

10 a.m.



Advent Wreath (week 2)

Craig Dubishar, Photographer

Sunday Services:

8:00 a.m. Spoken Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist, Rite II

Opportunities for Children

10 a.m. Godly Play (*ages 3 & potty trained - grade 2*) - Room B1

10 a.m. Spark + (*grades 3-5*) - Room A-5

10 a.m. Christian Education (*Grades 6-7*) - Room A-8

10 a.m. Christian Education (*Grades 8-12*) - Upper Room

Morning Prayer is Held on Fridays at 8 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Holy Eucharist (in Spanish) *Santa Eucaristia (en español)*: Saturday (Sabado) @ 7:30 p.m.

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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Vestry

(Class year in parenthesis)

Senior Warden – Robert Henry (2017)

Junior Warden – Genevieve Zetlan (2018)

Treasurer – Jean Shepherd

Registrar – Rose Berberich

Hollis Colie (2019)

Larry Grantham (2017)

Hal Hallett (2018)

Duane Hartge (2018)

Stephanie Kenis (2017)

Bob Kimmel (2017)

Vilma Lemus (2018)

Susy Nixon (2019)

Eugene Nkomba (2019)

Bill Outerbridge (2019)

Trustees

The Second Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
Saint Timothy's Bell Choir

Getsche

The Word of God

Processional Hymn 59

Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding

Merton

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People ***His mercy endures for ever.***

Decalogue

Celebrant Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

People ***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People ***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Celebrant You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

People ***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Celebrant Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

People ***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Celebrant Honor your father and your mother.

People ***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Celebrant You shall not commit murder.

People ***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.

People ***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Celebrant You shall not steal.

People ***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Celebrant You shall not be a false witness.

People ***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Celebrant You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

People ***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***All* Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Absolution

Priest Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Kyrie S96

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord,

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord,

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

A Reading from Isaiah 11:1-10

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.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

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. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Congregation & Choir

- 1 Give the King your jus | tice, O God, *
and your righteousness to | the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your | people righteously *
and the | poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity | to the people, *
and the little | hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy a | mong the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush | the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and | moon endure, *
from one generation | to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon | the mown field, *
like showers that wa | ter the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the | righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall | be no more.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the | God of Israel, *
who alone does | wondrous deeds!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious | Name forever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory. | Amen.

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A Reading from Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name”; and again he says, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”; and again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”; and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.” May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

Gradual Hymn 75

There's a voice in the wilderness crying

Ascension

Holy Gospel; Matthew 3:1-12

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’” Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.***

Sermon

The Rev. Anne M. Turner, *Interim Rector*

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,

***the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.***

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.*

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

*by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have
no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.*

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People, Form I

Leader

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us
pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all
peoples, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For our Bishops, Michael, Shannon, Susan, and Ted. Grant, and for all the clergy and people, let us
pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For our Barack our president, Terry our governor, and Lisa our mayor; for the leaders of the nations,
and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For this town of Herndon, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray
to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For reasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to
the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air [or through outer space], let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For *Steve, Julia, Eugene, and Mary Lee*, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace. **Lord, have mercy.**

In the communion of Timothy and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God. **To thee, O Lord our God.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome & Announcements

The Offering

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

arr. John Ferguson

Saint Timothy's Adult Choir

*"Comfort, comfort now my people; Tell of peace!" So says our God.
Comfort those who sit in darkness mourning under sorrow's load.
To God's people now proclaim that God's pardon waits for them!
Tell them that their war is over; God will reign in peace forever!*

*For the herald's voice is crying in the desert far and near,
Calling us to true repentance, since the Kingdom now is here.*

O, that warning cry obey! Now prepare for God a way!

Let the valleys rise to meet him and the hills bow down to greet him!

Straight shall be what long was crooked, and the rougher places plain!

Let your hearts be true and humble, as befits his holy reign!

For the glory of the Lord now on earth is shed abroad,

And all flesh shall see the token that God's word is never broken.

Presentation Hymn WLP 724 *People Look East (Stanza 2)*

Besancon Carol

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Timothy and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All 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.

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem WLP 877 *The Disciples Knew the Lord Jesus*

M. Sedio

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Administration of Communion

Music During Choir Communion *Variation on Prepare the Way, O Zion*

G. Winston Cassler

Hymn 65

Prepare the Way, O Zion

Bereden väg för Herran

Hymn 534

God is Working His Purpose Out

Purpose

Hymn 76

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

Winchester New

Commissioning of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant Danny, in the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts to David Tetteyfo, that those to whom we go may share with us in Christ's Body and Blood.

All We who are many are one body, because we all share in one bread, one cup.

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.

Blessing

Priest May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; 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 616

Hail to the Lord's Anointed Es flog ein kleins Waldvöegelein

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

People **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

Fughetta in G Major

J.K. Fischer

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Assisting in the Preparation and Conduct of Worship

Altar Guild		Michele Bumbarly, Bonnie Bunting, Judy Conroy, Emilia Mbonu, Kerrie Wilson
Counters		Keith Pinkard, Tina Pinkard
Ushers	8 a.m.	Bill Outerbridge, Robin Mullet
	10 a.m.	Robert Bumbarly, Allan Stanley
Greeters	8 a.m.	Beth Hwoshinsky, Peter Hwoschinsky
	10 a.m.	Hollis Colie
Lay	8 a.m.	Hector Coronado, Peter Horsfield
Eucharistic Ministers	10 a.m.	Bill Odio, Dave Parker, Catherine Lamb, Allan Stanley, Chris Brock, Danny Wechtenhiser
Acolytes	10 am.	Madeleine Lamoureux, Vivienne Lamoureux

The greens on the altar during Advent are given by the People of God to the Glory of God as we celebrate God's coming to be among us in the form of a child!



If you'd like to remember a loved one who has departed this life or give thanksgiving for family & friends with a poinsettia for the Christmas Altar, please complete a Flower Envelope (on the cabinets in the Narthex) or call the office at 703-437-3790. Write "Christmas Flowers" on the date requested line. All Christmas Flower Envelopes must be received in the office by **Wednesday, December 13.**

Thank You for Making A Difference!



A rousing Thank You to **Diana, Andrew, Carolyn and Katie Wright** for setting up our magnificent new Angel Tree in Henry Hall. Team Wright does it again! *Have someone you'd like to thank for contributing to St. Timothy's in some way? Send an email to 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
703.450.8599

Peter Hwoschinsky
703.450.8599



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**



Last Names G - L Please Bring Treats on December 11!

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: Last Names **M - R** on **December 18.**

Please consider signing up on the sheet in Henry Hall, just outside of the kitchen, to help make coffee and/or clean up on your particular week.

Church Events @ St. Tim's This Week

Only ministry-related events are listed. Visit www.saint-timothys.org and click on the calendar link to see the full calendar.

Day	Time	Event	Location
Sunday 12/4	8 & 10 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Sanctuary
	9 a.m.	The Story of the Bible (Adult Bible Study Class)	A1
	9:20 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
Monday 12/5	7 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 159	Henry Hall
Tuesday 12/6	7:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study- The Psalms	Music Room
Wednesday 12/7	12:15 p.m.	Holy Eucharist / Healing Service	Sanctuary
	7 p.m.	Shawl Ministry	Narthex
	7 p.m.	Adult Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
Thursday 12/8	7 p.m.	Adult Voice Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
Friday 12/9	8 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Henry Hall
	5 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 159 Event	Henry Hall
Saturday 12/10	10 a.m.	Open Arms Event	Henry Hall
	9 a.m.	Altar Guild	AG Rm, HH
	7:30 p.m.	Santa Eucharistia (Eucharist in Spanish)	Sanctuary
Sunday 12/11	8 & 10 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Sanctuary
	9:20 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Music Room



Birthdays This Week

- Sun. 12/4** Marion Hamilton
- Mon. 12/5** Ava Gibbs, Ugo Nwachukwu
- Tues. 12/6** Dariel Bonilla Lemus, Emily Reddington
- Wed. 12/7** Lydia Gough
- Thu. 12/8** Abigail Abbott, Michael Boatright, Annabelle Brennan, Jasmine Lynch
- Fri. 12/9** Peggy Curley
- Sat. 12/10** Jeanne Bennett, Terrence Mahan
- Sun. 12/11** Carmela Condro, Brian Dodd, Andrew Fletcher, James Rizzo

General Announcements

Christmas Eve Nativity Play

We will be having a Nativity Play for the Children's Christmas Eve Service on December 24. If you have a child who is age 3 - grade 5 who is interested in participating, please email Jeanne-Marie Burke by TODAY, December 4 for more information at jeanne_marie_raymond@hotmail.com.

Haitian Coffee Sales TODAY – December 4th!

We're selling Singing Rooster Coffee. All your favorites are back – Ground & whole bean decaf, K-cups (medium roast Vienna), French Roast (whole bean & ground), Medium Roast Vienna (ground & whole bean), and Medium Full City (ground & whole bean). Look for us in Henry Hall.

Christmas Wreaths Pick-up TODAY, December 4 and Extra Wreaths for the Procrastinators!

Come to Henry Hall to pick up your wreaths today! Please email Natalie Dubishar at n.dubishar@gmail.com if you need her to put your wreath aside, so you can come pick it up at church on a different day. Thank you. And . . . we have 14 extra wreaths for those who missed us!

General Announcements *(continued)*

A Note from Your 2016 Stewardship Committee

Your Stewardship Committee would like to say THANK YOU to the all of those who have submitted their 2017 pledge cards. To date, we have received 101 pledge cards for 2017 totaling \$399, 811. In 2016, St. Timothy's received 161 pledges totaling \$517,772. The good news is that the comparison of the returned 2017 pledges to what was pledged in 2016 shows a 5% increase. However, we still have a large number that pledged in 2016 that have not returned their 2017 pledge cards. Thus, if you have not turned in your 2017 pledge card, please do so as soon as possible, so that the Finance Committee and Vestry can finalize the 2017 planned budget. Pledge Cards are available in the narthex, or you can download one from www.saint-timothys.org, by clicking on the giving tab.

Haitian Handmade Art for Sale (TODAY, December 4th)

Sant Art Center in Cange was started by Jackie to help local Haitian artists sell their art and make a living. Jackie has lived in Cange, Haiti since the 1960s. She said the St. Tim's mission team was the first people to visit the Sant Art Center in a long time. We brought several items to sell and help support these Haitian artists. Please visit our table in Henry Hall.

Angel Tree Program Collection Continues This Week!

Our beloved Angel Tree is awaiting you in Henry Hall after today's services! Please drop off your unwrapped gift with the original name tag firmly attached under the Angel Tree and/or take one of the remaining tags left on the tree. Shop online or in-store for the requested items and return the gifts unwrapped, with the original tags firmly attached, to St. Timothy's by 11 a.m. on Sunday, December 11. Gifts and/or gift cards may also be handed to Kevin Hamilton, Director of Parish Ops, during normal church business hours any weekday the office is open for business. Sorting will occur after the 10 a.m. service on December 11 in order to ensure timely delivery to Cornerstones.

Gift items are suggestions – a suitable substitution may be made if a particular item is unavailable or hard-to-find. It is difficult to predict which gifts will be “the” popular items for the holidays, and so quantities of some items may be limited. For more info., contact Diana Wright 703-298-0391.

Our Angel Tree is also the collection point for scarves, hats, mittens, socks, & gloves for adult and children clients of the Embry Rucker Shelter & Laurel Learning Center. In this way, St. Tim's continues to give to our local community during this holiday season and into the winter months.

Vestry Elections: Class of 2020

The Vestry Nominating Committee seeks members of the congregation interested in serving on the Vestry. Elections for four vacancies and one alternate will be conducted prior to the St. Timothy's Annual Meeting on January 8, 2017. The Vestry is responsible canonically for the temporal resources of the church. Serving on the Vestry is a rewarding opportunity to volunteer time and talent for the good of the whole community of Saint Timothy's. Vestry members are elected for three year terms.

At least 3 more candidates are needed! The deadline for submitting candidate forms is December 8, 2016 (forms can be accessed via our website under the Vestry Documents Section at <http://www.saint-timothys.org/library/church-resources/>). Candidates must be 16 years of age or older, confirmed members (i.e., communicants) of St. Timothy's, and attend worship regularly. The Vestry usually meets on the fourth Monday of each month.

General Announcements *(continued)*

An Invitation from the Bishops of Virginia

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, during this time of changes and uncertainty after the presidential election, the three bishops of the Diocese of Virginia invite you to a Service of Light and Hope. We will pray together for the light of Christ to shine in the darkness. In the words of Saint John, *“the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.”* John 1:5. Join us THIS EVENING, the second Sunday of Advent - December 4, 2016, at 5 p.m. at Iglesia de Santa Maria (7000 Arlington Blvd. Falls Church, Va). Let us walk together in the light of the Lord.

St. Timothy’s View Point Book Club

St. Timothy’s Viewpoint Book will be reading “The Cellist of Sarajevo” by Steven Galloway. Copies of the books are available today or by arrangement from Jill Cox (Tel. 703-963-8251). The group will meet for discussion on Saturday, December 10 at Panera Bread, Elden Street, Herndon at 9:30 a.m.. All are welcome. All books MUST be returned on or before that date, please. For further information please call Jill Cox on the aforementioned number or e-mail jillcoxva@verizon.net.

Help Decorate for Christmas on December 22 or 23!

The Altar Guild will begin decorating on December 22 at 6 p.m. by prepping the poinsettias. We will decorate the Sanctuary and the Narthex for Christmas services on December 23, starting at 4 p.m. until completed. The Altar Guild welcomes anyone who wishes to help. Don’t have time but still want to help? Please consider making a donation for poinsettias. For more information contact Mary McLenigan at 703-391-2950.

Christmas Eve Luminaries - Come Join Us!

At 1 p.m. on Christmas Eve, gather at the St. Tim’s outdoor bell where we will have a “production line” established for creating and setting out approximately 350 to 500 luminaries around the St. Tim’s grounds. It is a beautiful addition to the Christmas Eve worship services. The only thing that slows us down (or stops this event) is rain, snow, or wind (apparently, paper bags and lit candles don’t do well under these three conditions!??). Mr. D will have the Christmas music blaring from his car and there might even be hot chocolate. Clean up is December 26 at 10 a.m. (bring several trash bags to help haul away the luminaries). Thank you! Questions? Text Mr. Dubishar at 703.850.1751.

Save The Date: 2017 Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Saint Timothy’s will be convened on Sunday, January 8 following the 10 a.m. Service. The meeting is significant in starting a new year of our church life together, and includes the installation of newly elected members of the Vestry. We will celebrate the successes of our ministries in 2016, discuss plans for mission in the year ahead, review the budget, and hear a report from the Rector Search Committee. Please plan to attend!

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-timothys.org. You will receive a reply via email to confirm your submission was received.



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, 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, Damien, Elaine, Jeanne, Jane, Jan, Kathy, Thelma, Carol, Cleveland, Peggi, Jim, Ching, Diane, Donna L., Eduardo, Jim, Beth, Meghan, Matthew, Larry, Nancy, Joseph, Elizabeth, Martha, Jeanee, Sue, Barb, Rick, Michael, Alice Pat, Kyle, Fr. Brad, Simfarosa, Carolyn, Nicki, Natalie, Bobbe, Peck Family, Julia, Quinton, the Augustine Family, Syreeta, *Steve, Julia, Eugene, and Mary Lee.*

Friends and Family Members of Parishioners: Evelyn, Pete, Lenore, Cheryl, Doug, Buzz, Charles, Kevin and Hannah, Annette, Roger, Will, Marcel, Sally, Dr. Sakr, Dara, Bill, Dolores, J. C., Martha, Cathy, and Dave.

Please Note: *Email requests to Prayer@saint-timothys.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.*

Join us for our annual

Holiday

POTLUCK *AND*
SING ALONG

Saturday, December 17th
at 5:30 p.m.

at the home of

John, Susy, Timothy, & Elizabeth Nixon
12712 Builders Road
Herndon, VA 20170

✧ We will provide the entrée. Please bring an appetizer, side dish, beverage, or dessert to share.

✧ RSVP 703-437-0370 or senixon@verizon.net



Celebrate Christmas @ Saint Tims!

Feel free to invite friends, family, & neighbors to attend one of our Community Christmas Services!

Saturday, December 24, 2016

Community Christmas Eve Services

4:00 p.m.* Children's Service with Nativity Play

7:00 p.m. * Bilingual Festival Eucharist
(*Music Prelude Begins at 6:30 p.m.*)

10:00 p.m. Festival Eucharist
(*Music Prelude Begins at 9:30 p.m.*)

Sunday, December 25, 2016

Community Christmas Day Service

10 a.m. Christmas Day Service
(*We will not have our regular Sunday 8 a.m. Rite I Service*)

We'll kick off 2017 with one service, Rite II, at 10 a.m. on New Year's Day, Sunday, January 1!

*** Nursery Care on Christmas Eve at 4 & 7 p.m. only.
No Nursery on Christmas Day and New Years Day.**