

The Word

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church Newsletter • Herndon, VA

July 2017

From the Bridge Interim Rector Anne Turner

Dear friends in Christ,

As I write this letter, my eight months as your Bridge Interim Rector—or, as I have thought of it, your Interim Interim—is drawing to a close.

In my own life, this change marks the end of a professional chapter. It has been a time of profound growth for me. I've learned about presiding in Spanish and what it means to have an organ refurbished, among other new experiences.

In the life of this parish, an even more significant chapter is ending. Your search committee and vestry are poised to call a new rector. With that person's arrival, the church will end a two-year period of transition. So much that has been in flux will be able, at last, to settle into a new normal.

Interim times can be difficult. They draw on all our resources, forcing us to adapt to all kinds of change, both planned and unforeseen. And yet interim times are also full of gifts. I want to be certain to name and celebrate those gifts.

Perhaps the most significant gift is a new understanding of identity. Most of us tend to think of our adult selves as settled. We have one way of being, and that way is the way we are. Parishes think of themselves as settled, too. But in an interim time, it is clear that we are dynamic creatures. We are not the people or community we have always thought. We have failings of which we were unaware; we have strengths we did not imagine. Put into a new context, the identities that seemed so familiar and reliable are shown to be elastic. We are more flexible than we ever imagined. And, I believe, we are stronger than we knew.



With that new understanding of our human identities comes a new understanding of God's identity. We don't know God as well as we thought. And that is, in the end, good news. With each crisis there is a new opportunity to learn how far God's grace extends. With each challenge, there is a new chance to trust God. I am guessing that for each of you reading this letter, God seems different than two years ago. God is larger than we ever thought.

You have done much, in these eight months, to enlarge my understanding of God. Working alongside members of this parish—and with our incredibly talented and dedicated staff—has been a great gift. I am grateful to God for this time, and I wish you all every blessing in the time ahead.

Yours in Christ,
Anne+

VESTRY REPORT

June 2017

May Giving: **\$49,457**

Budgeted Giving: \$54,244

YTD Expenses vs. Income: \$10,156

At the June 26 Vestry meeting, the Vestry heard a report from the Rector Search Committee. The Diocese has been performing Oxford background checks on the finalist candidates, and the RSC met recently to determine their final recommendation. Upon selecting a finalist, the following steps take place prior to the announcement of our new Rector:

- The RSC notifies the Diocese of their selection
- Assuming a satisfactory outcome on the background check, the Bishop arranges a conference with the candidate
- The Bishop approves the candidate
- The name of the candidate is given to the Vestry
- The Vestry meets the candidate
- The Vestry approves the candidate
- The Vestry negotiates a Letter of Agreement
- The new Rector is announced to the congregation

The Vestry spent the bulk of the remaining meeting on the mid-year budget review. Treasurer Jean Shepherd noted that giving is proceeding in line with last year's giving between January and May, but expenses are higher than last year, resulting in a projected \$60,000 deficit by the end of the year.

St. Timothy's will incur un-budgeted expenses resulting from the calling of a new Rector: the finalist candidates have greater years of experience than our budgeted compensation takes into account, and all candidates will require moving expenses, resulting in approximately \$20,000 in additional un-budgeted staff expenses this year.

After discussion, the Vestry voted to defer the remainder of our Diocesan pledge for the year until December, when it will re-assess our cash flow and remaining General Fund balance to determine if we can fulfill our pledge. The Vestry voted to increase

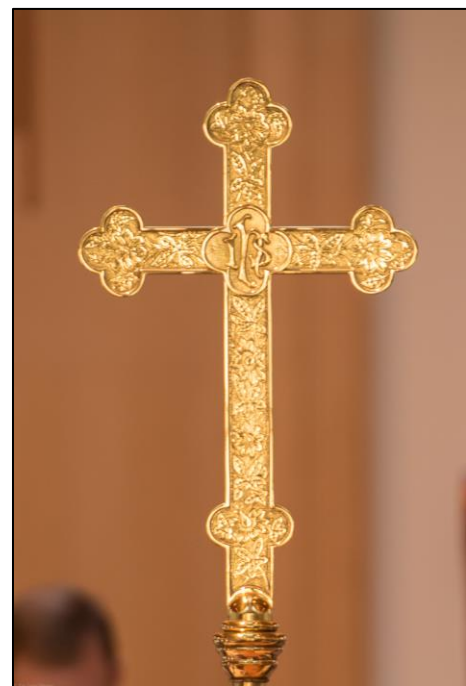
new Rector compensation to Diocesan minimums for a priest with more than 20 years of experience, to \$105,000, and to allocate up to \$15,000 for moving expenses. The Vestry liaisons will request to each of their ministries and to all staff to hold off on incurring any discretionary or non-vital expenses during the summer.

The Vestry then voted to accept Treasurer Jean Shepherd's resignation effective July 1, and to elect Duane Hartge to serve the remainder of her term, until January 2019.

Bridge Interim Rector Anne Turner reported that the Rev. Jackie Thomson will cover the four weeks from July 16 - August 6 and could potentially be available longer if needed. Seminarian Bill Baker will continue to conduct Saturday evening worship through August 26. The preschool usage agreement has not been reviewed or updated in more than 10 years, and she is in the process of working on that with Preschool Director Monica Despina. She hopes to wrap up the preschool use agreement renegotiation prior to her departure.

Draft minutes can be viewed [online here](#). The meeting closed with the singing of the Doxology.

Genevieve Zetlan, Sr. Warden



RSC Update

A decision on our new rector is moving along rapidly and we hope to make an announcement shortly. Please watch the bulletins and eNews for further updates. Your continued prayers for the committee, St. Timothy's and, the candidates are encouraged. Thank you for your support and patience.

Endowment Fund

An Endowment Fund was established at St. Timothy's Church as a way to donate to the work of the Church. This affords donors a variety of gift vehicles, in addition to cash, bequests in wills, life income gifts, annuities, trusts, life insurance policies, real estate, securities, and other assets. Persons who have questions or are interested in donating to the Endowment Fund should contact the church office at 703-437-3790 or Email: office@saint-timothys.org

A Film Screening of Martin Scorsese's latest masterpiece *Silence*

**Sunday, July 30, 2017 at 6 pm at
St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Herndon, VA**

A 17th Century Portuguese Jesuit priest receives word that his mentor has renounced his faith while on a mission in Japan. Concerned, he travels to the island nation with another clergyman to investigate. Witnessing the persecution committed against Japanese Christians rocks his faith to the core.

Based on Shusaku Endo's acclaimed 1966 novel. ~
Violet LeVoit, Rovi

For more information please contact Kathleen Kinsolving kkinsolv@yahoo.com or Tim Allen @ tlallen1@fcps.edu



2017 Vestry with Liaison Assignments

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Answer Jesus' Call



Join a ministry where you can connect with others in volunteer service to make a difference at St. Tim's, our local community, and in the world! Reach out via the contact info provided where you have an interest!

Altar Guild Team- St. Timothy's Altar Guild plays an important role in the Worship Ministry. Their mission is to ensure that the Sanctuary is in order, beautiful, clean and prepared for worship on a weekly basis and for special services. The special fellowship of this team-based ministry is an easy way to support your church and only requires a few hours of your time on the week you are scheduled to serve (approximately every other month for a two-week rotation). Each team is led by an experienced Guild member and training is provided. Service opportunities can be flexible to meet your busy schedule or special interests (flowers, care of linens, Sunday only). Please consider helping the Altar Guild grow and meet our 2017 goal of doubling the number of teams who serve. For more information, please contact Carol Sinclair (csinclair83@msn.com).

Godly Play Door Keepers- If anyone is looking for some quality time with some our youngest congregation, we are in need of some volunteers for Door Keepers for Godly Play ages 3 to 8. This opportunity is during the early part of the service. Our goal is to bring the children up at Peace, but always in time for Communion. We run Godly Play throughout the Summer with exception of the Sunday closest to July 4th and Labor Day. We try to schedule each person once per month. Please contact Sarah Hobson at sarahlhobson@hotmail.com if interested!

Pastoral Care Team (Includes Home Communion Visitors)- The Pastoral Care Team welcomes new members to the team who can reach out to those in need via prayer, phone calls, notes of encouragement, as well as those who are able to make Home Communion Visits to those who cannot attend church services. We will train anyone who is interested in being a part of this important care network. Please email Gayle Rippe or Sarah Daly for more information. (gayle_657@hotmail.com / stilldaly@gmail.com).

Hospitality Ministry- The Hospitality Ministry provides an opportunity for fellowship at Sunday morning coffee hours and provides support to church wide events such as the annual visit by our Bishop. We are in need of extra hands to assist with coffee hours following the 8:00 and 10:00 services. If you are able to help by making coffee, setting out snacks or cleaning up - once a month or once a year - your assistance would be greatly appreciated. For further information please contact the chair, Carolyn Hamm (carolynhamm@verizon.net).

Service Ministry- St. Timothy's has a long history of service to the local community and beyond. The Service Ministry is dedicated to continuing that tradition by providing opportunities to serve others through local and global outreach. We support local organizations such as The Closet, LINK (a local food pantry), and Cornerstones and partner with the Haiti Ministry to support students in Chapoteau, Haiti. Would you like to engage the congregation in living their faith by serving others through local and global outreach? Consider joining the Service Ministry! We meet once a month and there are a variety of ways that you can make a difference in this ministry. If you are interested contact Carolyn Hamm, Service Ministry Chair, at service@saint-timothys.org.

St. Tim's Summer Choir in Session- This summer, as in past years, St. Tim's offers a 'Summer Choir' that rehearses only on Sunday mornings before our 10 a.m. worship services. Repertoire will include mostly 2 and 3 part anthems from a variety of composers. Our Summer Choir schedule began on June 25. This is a great opportunity to sing without attending weekly Thursday evening rehearsals; come as you are able. Due to the warmer temps, we will not vest, so participants can sit with their families and then join the choir for their anthem. If you have been thinking about singing in the choir but are too busy for weekly rehearsals, this choir is for you! Please see Roger Long after church for more details or e-mail him at rogerl@saint-timothys.org.

Answer Jesus' Call *(continued)*

Ushers Needed- The role of an Usher is multifaceted, but the most important is to assist visitors and members not only coming into the presence of God, but doing so in a welcoming manner that helps facilitate the worship experience in a way that is meaningful and significant. Ushers play a significant role with projecting the mission of St. Timothy's Church as they are frequently the first people to meet visitors or members as they enter the sanctuary. Ushers are needed for Sunday Morning Worship Services, Holiday Worship Services, Evensong, Funerals, and other Special Events (Music, Plays, Visiting Artists/Guests, etc).

If you are interested in joining this critical, visible Ministry as an individual, family, or with someone else, and can assist in any or all of the services mentioned above or if you have further questions, please contact one of the following individuals: Jim Wallis - 703-478-3390/ jimw.wallis@gmail.com, Robin Mullet - 703-471-0385/Robin.Mullet@fairfaxcounty.gov or contact the church office.



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Submission Deadline for the next issue:

Wednesday, June 28, 2017

Submit to Ian Smith at

ids227@gmail.com



Ordinands, friends of St. Timothy's Lisa Erdlejohn (foreground) and Taylor Divine on the occasion of their ordination as deacons. Church of the Epiphany, Herndon.

Service Times:

Saturday: 7:30 pm Santa Eucharista

Sundays: 8:00 am Eucharist, Rite I

Sundays 10:00 am Rite II service with Holy Communion

Godly Play ages 3-2nd grade

SPARK+, 3-5th grade

Christian Ed

Nursery Care

Wednesday: 12:15 pm, Eucharist and Healing Service

Welcome New Members

02/22/2017

Hugh David Lamoureux (Transfer)

03/15/2017

Beth Hwoschinsky (Transfer)

5/28/2017

Julia Anne Stuart (Baptism)

06/18/2017

Christian Loftus Kidwell (Baptism)

Please be aware that there are MANY active congregants who have been attending and donating to St. Timothy's for many years that 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 congregants can participate in all aspects of church worship with the exception of 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).

If we don't have an email address for you and your family, or if your email has changed, update your information at www.saint-timothys.org or send the information to office@saint-timothys.org.

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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At St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Christians of all ages gather to worship our God through song and praise, contemplation of His holy scripture, and the breaking of the bread.