



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

From the Rector

On June 23rd the cost of regular gas in Herndon was \$4.10 per gallon, and who knows how much higher it might go. The cost of groceries, clothing, utilities – everything – is going through the roof. Money in my household is getting tighter every week, and it's got us rethinking the basics - how much we drive, where we set the thermostat, what we buy at the grocery store, what we want versus what we really need, etc.

And that's not a bad thing. Life has a way of stopping us in our tracks and getting us to reconsider our priorities; what's really important? What has God put us on this earth to do? We realize that we have not been good stewards of the world's precious resources. We are more aware than ever that we frivolously consume a great deal more than we need. And, like it or not, we simply have to make some changes.

I believe we have been put on this fair planet to spread the love of God in as many ways as we can, to as many people we can. That's our mission. Everything else is of lesser importance. So, while we readjust our driving and spending habits, we should continue to invest as much of our time, talent, and treasure as we can in establishing the Kingdom of God.

In 1984 The Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion set five mission priorities:

- Proclaim the Good News of God's Kingdom
- Teach, baptize, and nurture new believers
- Respond to human need with loving service
- Transform unjust social structures
- Safeguard creation and renew life on earth

Our Vestry very recently identified a set of mission priorities for St. Timothy's:

- Proactively invite and welcome more people into the family of God
- Encourage and support good stewardship
- Fully fund all of our ministries and missions
- Replace our much-beloved and ailing Tracker organ with a new pipe organ so our music, our worship, may be glorious and uplifting

We are reminded in these challenging times that we are generously and continuously blessed, that we were created to love God and one another. It's time to get back to basics, back to what's good for humanity, good for the

planet, good for our families and community. It's time to reinvest ourselves in the mission given to us by God.

~ Fr. Brad

The Mystery of Sunday Morning

When I was on maternity leave, I visited several churches on Sunday mornings. I was surprised at how strong the pull was to be in church on those days. Getting out of the house was a big production most of the time, but even when I knew I would be late, I kept plowing ahead. On those Sundays, I slid into the back pew and caught my breath. An awareness of how tired I was spread over me from head to toe, but at the same time, every fiber of my being was alert. I never knew fully why I had come to church, but I knew I was supposed to be there.

Inevitably, something happened during the service to move me. I did not know from week to week what the trigger would be. It might be a line from the sermon, a smile from a Eucharistic Minister, a gesture from the person sitting next to me. When I left the service, I felt recharged like a depleted cell phone that had been filled back up.

These Sunday morning experiences reminded me of the mystery present when the body of Christ comes together. We each come with the weight and tiredness that has accumulated throughout the week, but even when it's buried sometimes, we also come with expectation, with anticipation that something will happen to transform that tiredness. A setting of Psalm 42 puts this anticipation into words, "As a doe longs for flowing streams, so longs my soul for thee, O Lord. My soul doth thirst for the living God. When shall I come to see thy face?"

So this summer, when you are tired and maybe not sure why you are getting up early on a Sunday morning, don't think too much. Just come. Know that if you respond to the tug, to the pull, God will meet you in the coming. You may encounter God in a hymn or in a child kneeling next to you at the communion rail. God might break through your tiredness to fill another thirsty soul through your smile, your welcome, or your words. We are all members of the body of Christ, and when we come together, we have the chance to see the face of the living God in each other.

~Leslie





Prayer Group starting

St. Tim's is beginning a prayer group. We are starting the group with a weekly email prayer, with each prayer focusing on a particular part of life at St. Tim's. If you would like to be a part of this weekly prayer, please email Cheryl Brock at charlieandmaggie@hotmail.com. We would love to have you join us in prayer for St. Tim's and all of the wonderful folks that worship here.

Members in the news

If you know of members who have been in the news for their activities or awards, please let Carol know in the office, so she can put articles up in the glass case by the front doors. Have you seen how many St. Tim's members have been in the news lately?



St. Tim's is Looking for Acolytes

If you are in the 2nd thru 12th grade and would like to help with Sunday Worship, we would love to have you join us!

- ✚ Acolytes usually serve once a month at either the 9:30 or 11:00 am service.
- ✚ Our 2nd thru 6th graders serve as Torchbearers (don't worry, parents, we train them carefully!) and carry the Children's Cross at the 9:30 service.
- ✚ Our 7th and 8th graders serve on the altar as Servers, assisting the clergy and LEMs with communion and lighting the candles at the altar.
- ✚ Our 9th through 12th graders serve as Crucifers, leading the Procession and Recession with the Cross. They may also continue as Servers thru 12th grade as well.

Please contact Chris and Cheryl Brock at 703-437-3968 or Craig Dubishar at 703-430-8734 and let us know if you would like to become a part of this fun and rewarding group.

Stephen Ministry

Scripture says, "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds."

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church embraces the Stephen Ministry in response to God's call to love one another. Stephen Ministers are trained congregation members who answer this call by spiritually walking alongside people who are experiencing a crisis. No one is exempt from the struggles and problems of everyday life. Stephen Ministers bring Jesus' unconditional love to their care receivers. We rejoice today that God is working through St. Timothy's Stephen Ministers.

We offer special thanks to the active Stephen Ministers, and thank God for the healing that takes place in their care receivers.

We extend thanks to Jane Perry for coordinating referrals; to Jim Hendrick, Brian Evans, and Ralph Tildon for leading special teams; to Jim Hendrick for teaching continuing education; and to Cheryl Brock for coordinating the Joint Stephen Series Caring Workshop.

We thank the congregation for its continuing prayers and support.

A Stephen Minister, Peter Hwoschinsky, will attend the Stephen Leader Training Course in Pittsburgh, PA, in August 2008. He will join more than 300 pastors and church leaders at this week-long course. Thank you, Peter, for volunteering.

The training of a Stephen Leader differs from that of a Stephen Minister. The Stephen Leader Course focuses on the administrative and supervisory aspects of Stephen Ministry. The 50-hour Stephen Ministry training focuses on providing care-giving skills to Stephen Ministers.

Beginning in September 2008, we will train a new class of Stephen Ministers. This training will be a joint venture with our Herndon neighbors- Herndon United Methodist Church (HUMC), Trinity Presbyterian Church, the Open Door Presbyterian Church, and St. Francis Episcopal Church in Great Falls. Look for an announcement in July 2008 about a meeting that will give more information to persons interested in becoming Stephen Ministers.

Please pray that the Holy Spirit will move you to consider whether Stephen Ministry is a ministry for you. Please pray also that we will be effective disciples of God's love, healing, and grace.

~Florita Tildon
Stephen Leader Awareness Coordinator



Parish Theme and

Goals for 2008

Perhaps you have noticed a new logo on the Sunday Bulletins, a blossoming tree with our new Parish Theme, "Abundant Giving – Abundant Life." You will be seeing more of this during the remainder of 2008 and into 2009. Your Vestry and the Ministry Chairs selected this theme from among three suggested by the Communications Ministry. We hope it captures what we have been saying about worshiping at St. Timothy's and stewardship in general.

Along with our new theme, the Vestry and Stewardship Ministry have set the following goals for our parish in 2008:

- Fully Fund Ministry 2008 Budget Requests
- Begin an Organ Fund
- Have a 30 Percent Increase in Sunday Attendance
- Have a 30 Percent Increase in Members Pledging

You, our parishioners can help with all these goals by making a financial pledge to St. Timothy's. Pledge forms are on the table in the Narthex. Whether or not you pledge, for those of you who are going to be away for all or part of the summer, you can help by making your contributions in advance, or by using recurring payments by credit card, or automatic checking account deductions. Remember, St. Timothy's cannot function without financial support from all its parishioners.

Everyone can also help by inviting family, friends and neighbors to attend St. Timothy's on a regular basis. We think we have something special here, so why shouldn't we want to share it with others? We look forward to your generous and active support of these goals. Have a blessed summer.

St. Timothy's Courtyard

Thanks to the persistence and generosity of some of our members St. Timothy's courtyard is finished! Be sure to look and see how beautiful it is.



Lambeth Conference

More than 800 Bishops from all over the Anglican Communion will meet this summer in England as they have every ten years since 1868 (the same year St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Herndon was founded). The Bishops of the Church will study, talk, make resolutions, and worship together from July 16th through August 3rd. One of the themes of this Lambeth Conference is the ministry of the Bishop. Please pray for the Lambeth Conference, and visit <http://www.anglicancommunion.org/> for more information.



Do You Have Any American Flags That Need Retiring?

We all know that it is disrespectful to throw away or burn an American flag. But did you know that there is a proper and respectful method to "retire" old, worn, damaged American flags? Youth Group member, Benjin Dubishar's Boy Scout Eagle Project is to gather your worn American flags and then perform the prescribed official ceremony to retire these flags. If you have any American flags that need retiring (not family heirlooms, please, as the flags will not be returned to you), please leave them in the St. Timothy's office with a note "For Benjin Dubishar." He will gather the flags and perform the official ceremony later this year. Thank you for your help!

News from Boy Scout Troop 159

With camp at Lake Ottari on the horizon, scouts from Troop 159 are planning for a busy summer season after a spring that brought many adventures. After one delay because of high water worries, scouts and their families were able to paddle their way to a good time at the annual canoe trip. Just one canoe got 'swamped' but the overnight sleeping arrangements were interesting. Where do you sleep along a river when the campgrounds are full? A scout is 'creative' even if it isn't one of

the points of the scout law! The Troop also added two new eagles to its alumni. Ted Dorosheff and Jake Heinbaugh celebrated their Eagle Court Of Honor at the church. Both have plans for college in the fall. Want to make scouting a part of your life? Contact Carolyn Edner @ (703) 742-9654 or cedner@cox.net.

School Supplies and Backpack Drive

St. Timothy's is collecting new school supplies (any kind) and backpacks for local organizations from July 13 through August 24, 2008. School supplies will be donated to the Jeanie Schmidt Free Clinic (JSFC) at this time and new backpacks will be donated to Reston Interfaith. Our goal for St. Tim's is 50 backpacks (we regret that we cannot take bags with wheels or corporate logos) and 50 bags of school supplies. Supplies and backpacks will be donated directly to clients of JSFC and Reston Interfaith and to area public schools for distribution to students ages kindergarten through high school. Please contact Jill Norcross, 703-435-7216 or jillnorcross@comcast.net if you have any questions.

July Agape supports Reston Interfaith

Have you heard the news? The Agape Program is back and we need your support. For only the second time this year, we are hosting an Agape Offering. In July, our Agape recipient is Reston Interfaith, one of our core outreach missions at St. Timothy's. Reston Interfaith is a nonprofit organization serving Northern Virginia that promotes self-sufficiency through direct support and advocacy for our neighbors in need of food, immediate shelter, affordable housing, quality child care, and other human services.

Founded in 1970 by area religious organizations, Reston Interfaith has become a leading social service provider in Northern Virginia, offering comprehensive programs for more than 13,000 individuals and families in Reston, Herndon, and the surrounding area last year.

St. Timothy's is a Sponsoring Religious Organization of Reston Interfaith and Jill Norcross serves on their Board of Directors on behalf of St. Tim's. Parishioners Kerrie Wilson and Amanda Andere serve as the respective CEO and Vice President of the organization. Countless volunteers from St. Tim's support Reston Interfaith through the Backpack Drive, Help the Homeless Walkathon, Angel Tree program and Hypothermia Shelter, just to name a few programs. Our partnership with Reston Interfaith is thriving and we respectfully ask for your financial support during this tough economic downturn, where requests for food, shelter and affordable child care is on the rise. Now more than ever, the clients of Reston Interfaith--our neighbors--need our help.

Also in conjunction with this Agape, we are collecting backpacks for Reston Interfaith through August 24, 2008. Beginning July 13, look for a collection bin in Henry Hall. School supplies for the clients of the Jeanie Schmidt Free Clinic will also be collected at this time. Other JSFC volunteer opportunities will be highlighted throughout August. Thank you in advance for your support.

From John Schmitz

Dear St. Timothy's Family,
I wanted to update you on what I've been doing recently. I just finished my second year of seminary at Virginia Theological Seminary (VTS) in Alexandria. I completed my Clinical Pastoral Education last summer at Georgetown Hospital, where I worked as a Chaplain for 10 weeks in a critical care unit and also served the entire hospital during on-call shifts. It was very intensive and emotional, but a very rewarding experience. This past year I took classes in Systematic Theology, Homiletics, Christian Ethics, as well as a few electives. I also completed my first year of Field Education, working with Samaritan Ministry in conjunction with Iglesia de Santa Maria where we initiated a computer mentoring program. I'll continue with Field Education this coming year and finish up my course work as well as prepare for my General Ordination Exam (GOE) in January.

In addition to coursework, I was privileged to spend nearly all of January in South Africa where I spent a few weeks in Potchefstroom, a township west of Johannesburg. I preached, went to a number of funerals, went on pastoral care visits, and went to a tombstone unveiling. It was a wonderful experience seeing how people worship and live in a different culture.

This summer I am working at St. Gabriel's in Leesburg where I preach, lead adult book studies, and learn about parish life Monday through Friday (as well as on Sundays). This, too, has been a rewarding experience.

Finally, I wanted to thank all of you for your support and wishes. Going to seminary requires a great deal in terms of commitment, and without St. Timothy's and your financial support, prayers, and love, I would not have been able to make the three year commitment that Seminary requires. Without a job and apart from working soccer matches when I can, I rely on VTS, the Diocese of Virginia, and St. Timothy's. So thank you for all you have done for me. It is truly and deeply appreciated !

I'll keep you updated as we go through the fall. I have my candidacy interview for the Priesthood with the Standing Committee in mid-October and then I'll have to prepare for my final exams in January. Please keep me in your thoughts and prayers as I continue to keep all of you in mine. If any of you have any questions at all about me, seminary life, or anything else, please don't hesitate to ask.

God's Peace,
John Schmitz

The Stewardship Ministry

The Stewardship Ministry has been reading the book "The Giving Myths," by Stephen B. McSwain, as recommended by the Diocesan stewardship consultant, Patsy Bjorling. This article focuses on Chapter 10 of the book, entitled "Myth 6: Your Charity is a Private Matter." The chapter begins with presenting an apparent dichotomy on the subject of whether religious charity should be advertised or hidden. Two of the Bible quotes given to represent this condition are shown here as illustration (the words are attributed to Jesus):

Matthew 5:16: "In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly father."

Matthew 6:1-4: "Don't do your deeds publicly.. Give your gifts in private, and your Father, who sees everything, will reward you."

One of the most important aspects of addressing St. Timothy's stewardship goals is becoming aware of its parishioners' opinions and habits on this issue, and possibly changing views where appropriate. What do you think? Should your charity be private or anonymous? Or should it be transparent, for others to see? One might think that if it was important to God for it to be secret, there might be examples in either the Old or New Testament. But there aren't.

In the Old Testament, David gives much of his own wealth to assist in his son, Solomon's, building of The Temple and pronounces it explicitly. In the New Testament, Jesus witnesses a poor widow contributing to the collection plate all that she has. He not only commends her for it, but also points it out for all others to see. Not much privacy in that! The context of the second quote above reveals that Jesus in fact was concerned about boasting regarding giving of gifts, and not about secrecy in and of itself. "The Master Teacher [Jesus] was not instructing people to keep the details of their charity a secret but the motives for their piety in check." (p.211)

McSwain references the realistic part of the psyche, known as the "ego". The ego has a need for others' approval. It can manifest itself as fear and defensiveness when the suggestion is made for details to be shared. A feeling of dread may occur when the details of giving are about to be revealed to others. It is much safer to the ego to surround one's charity – or, in some instances, the lack thereof – with secrecy. McSwain encourages us to not give in to the ego for this reason, and to guard against the

ego's craftiness, which can lead us to enjoy the compliments for our giving more than the giving itself.

Giving for the wrong reasons (or claiming to give while not actually giving) can also be perilous. This is another reason some become secretive about their giving. They can talk about it without having to live up to it – encourage others without having to do so themselves. When charity is public and people share the joy they receive from giving, the ego is threatened, as it would prefer to hold us imprisoned in "materialistic pursuits of power, possessions, and prestige." (p.210)

Since privacy in giving has been ingrained in so many of us, it can be a difficult "habit" to break. Perhaps reflecting on where we learned our giving practices can assist us in re-evaluating and possibly changing them. If we have a desire to share our stories of generosity with others without boasting, perhaps we can start by talking openly with those closest to us, minimizing a fear of what they might think, until we become more comfortable with it. We might also remember to share our giving failures as well, and McSwain emphasizes here that he's not just talking about money. Patience and kindness are charitable gifts and we often forget to give them to others.

When a gift is given out of personal sacrifice, regardless of its size, often others can be "deeply moved and inspired to examine themselves. The result is almost always transforming." (p.222) But how will they know about it unless we talk about it? Overcoming the cultural myth of silence about our charity is paramount to inspiring others to be charitable. May we all reflect on our practices with regard to silence about our giving and consider becoming more open to sharing our thoughts with our neighbors.

Vacation Bible School WISH LIST –

Please bring any of these items you are able to donate to the church office, and leave them in the green box. Thanks! VBS will be July 14-18

3 Clean dish basins or 3 clean 5 gallon buckets

Old National Geographic Magazines or other outdoor magazines (No Hunting)

Blankets / Quilts for sitting on at snack time

Dowels

Coffee Cans

Sandpaper (fine)

Tin Foil

Rice

Navy Beans

Disposable Rubber Gloves

Shoe boxes

Rubber Bands

Packing Tape

Clean Fabric Remnants

Any Rainforest Type Decoration



Lakota Mission Trip

This year's Lakota Team journeyed to the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota bearing a mix of sadness and excitement. Our longtime friend, Pastor Larry Peterson was retiring from his mission at the Pine Ridge Retreat Center. At the same time, Karen Rupp was to be ordained as a Lutheran Minister with the Retreat Center and the local residents as her mission.

The team met Larry in 2003 when the St Timothy's ventured on its first Lakota Mission. Upon our arrival on that initial trip, Larry introduced us to the Lakota life – the people, the children, their spirituality and generosity and told us of his dedication to the people. He arrived on the reservation approximately 20 years ago and since then, he has touched the hearts of many people, both native and visitors like us. Larry's faith and joy is apparent and infectious as his sense of humor. We learned so much from him it will be hard to think of the Retreat Center without him. However, Larry's retirement is not going to be one filled with leisure time as he has set a new course in helping the Lakota people. Larry will be working with a team of professional private investors to help the Lakota people generate income on the reservation through creative business ventures aimed at improving the quality of life for all the people.

Karen Rupp, who spoke eloquently at St. Timothy's in January of this year, is a warm and welcoming soul who is as dedicated to the Lakota people as Larry. She met the Team in 2007 as the intern at the Retreat Center. She feels extremely blessed to be chosen to minister at the Retreat Center and was ordained at the Makasan Presbyterian Church in Oglala South Dakota the day the team left the reservation. Karen will spend her time at Pine Ridge with her husband Paul and puppy Buddy.

While Larry transitioned out and Karen acclimated to her new home, the team continued its mission work on the Makasan Multipurpose Hall on the grounds of the Church. In 2006, the team worked on the foundation of the residential portion of the hall. In 2007, the team began the work on an addition to the hall – the main meeting room, offices, kitchen and bathrooms. While several team members stretched far over their heads to mud and sand drywall, others bent low to finish base molding, lay subflooring while still others stained and painted doors and trim and wired the electricity for this addition. We were helped by our old friend DeLane No Neck and took direction from Larry and the current intern Max. The work was dusty but rewarding. Larry and Max were surprised to see how much was

accomplished by the end of the week and with progress like this, hope to have the hall open to the community in the fall.

After working in the mornings, the team returned to the Retreat Center to play with the local children for a short while each afternoon. The retreat center filled with energetic kids of all ages looking for a safe and welcoming place to interact with caring adults. We all had fun! This year, through a generous donation, we brought books and games with us for the kids. The biggest hit was a china tea set which was used each day and put away with care and anticipation until the next playtime!

The evenings were spent learning of the culture through discussions with local residents. Some favorites were Reverend Asa Wilson and his wife Tercita and Will Peters. Each provided a unique perspective of life on the reservation and the future of its people. We also experienced the culture through activities such as feeding a herd of buffalo (including providing milk to some orphans!), having dinner in a local caterer's kitchen and learning about the SuAnn Big Crow Boys' and Girls' Club. Morning dedications were shared with old friends Gabby Brewster and DeLane No Neck.

Each night before retiring, the team met in a circle and passed the "talking stick." This gave each of us an opportunity to express our feelings, give insights or thoughts on the events of the day or simply "pass" if that's what felt right. Overall, the team came away with more that we each brought to the reservation – a better understanding of God's greatness and graciousness through the beauty and generosity of the Lakota people. Each of us looks forward to the next time we are able to share with Karen in her ministry and enjoy a short time with the Lakota people. We hope each of you will consider coming with us and serving God's people on the reservation.



God's blessing,
The St. Timothy's
Lakota Team 2008



Photos from around St. Timothy's



The Lakota Mission Team 2008



You Are What You Eat (Off Of!)

Perfluorinated compounds, or PFC's, which have long been used to make cookware nonstick and stain-resistant fabrics, have been found in samples of human milk from nursing mothers, according to research from the University of Massachusetts. PFC's have previously shown up in wildlife, drinking water supplies, and human blood. This University study is the first study in the United States to document their occurrence in human milk. PFCs are persistent chemicals that can linger in the environment and the human body for years without being broken down. What can you do? Be aware of your choices . . . cook less often on Teflon pans (and use good old-fashioned cast iron or steel!), do not cook food in plastic containers (use ceramic instead!). A message (not a sermon) from St. Timothy's Steward of Creation.



God bless all of you this summer with sufficient rest, the restoration of your spirit, safe travel and recreation.

Communicating the St. Timothy's Message Ministry-of-the-Month Article

Jesus sacrificed his life to communicate the Word of God. Given the limited media outlets of his time, he turned to 12 apostles to help share this message, with the understanding that it would multiply throughout the world. John confirms this mission in his Gospel, noting that Jesus said to them, "As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." (John 21)

Today, communication is a life blood of the church. Messages from the Bible, Sunday sermons, prayer, Christian education classes, and other sources of spiritual inspiration act as a spark that ignites us to follow the Christian tenets to love and serve one another and to acknowledge the loving presence of God.

Given the importance of spreading this message, Brad, Leslie, and other church leaders rely on the St. Timothy's Communications Ministry to help gather, refine, and circulate the church's many missives in a manner that will elicit support and participation. Members of the Communications Ministry are charged with keeping parishioners and the larger community informed about church activities, services, and accomplishments.

Needless to say, establishing and maintaining contact is a challenging undertaking when considering the glut of information the average area resident is subjected to these days. In addition, not everyone absorbs information in the same manner. Some congregants prefer listening while others are more likely to assimilate information by reading. Others rely on visual cues.

So how does St. Tim's reach out to its targeted audiences and help persuade them to listen and, when necessary, inspire them to act? The Communications Ministry uses a three-pronged approach, which includes:

1. gathering facts and details from the appropriate sources,
2. crafting interesting and appealing messages, and
3. disseminating and publicizing this information using a wide array of communications tools.

The tools at the ministry's disposal are numerous. The group works with church staff and other members to circulate The Word newsletter, the weekly church service bulletin, as well as materials for bulletin boards in Henry Hall and elsewhere around the building. Ministry members issue press releases and contact local media to publicize church activities to encourage community awareness and involvement.

Ministry members reach out to individuals and families who have recently relocated to the Herndon/Reston area to invite them to attend Sunday services. Communications maintains a website that provides quick and easy access to parish and ministry news and contact information, and serves as a repository for church publications. The Communications group helps survey the congregation about opinions and interests.

Other church ministries routinely approach the Communications folks for support and the group continuously entertains new ideas to better reach targeted audiences. Recent tasks have included working with the Stewardship Ministry in designing a new logo for a recent project, writing the "Giving" thank-you note, and constructing the poster of St. Timothy's parishioners who have pledged in 2008.

These activities require a flexible organization and crew to set and meet deadlines, and to address the church's various demands. Although different structures have been considered, the Ministry currently consists of a convener who acts as the central point of contact and administrative leader of the ministry. Other functions include a disseminator who channels written materials to the appropriate places, a website coordinator, a head writer who coordinates writing assignments, various other writers, a proofreader, an archivist, and other active individuals serving a variety of roles.

Ministry members include Elaine Horsfield, Peter Hwoschinsky, Janet Koch, Pam Lowe, Lael Lyons, Frank Martin, Pat McGibbon, John Perkinson, Jane Perry, Gail Peters, Lee Wallace, and Genevieve Zetlan . . . but the group always has need of more volunteers, particularly writers. Feel free to contact any of the members for information or plan to attend one of the Ministry's monthly meetings, which are held in Room B-1 at 8:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month (except during July).

As a side note, both The Word newsletter and information from the weekly bulletins are available via e-mail. If you aren't receiving these communiqués, your contact information may be outdated. Be sure to keep St. Tim's informed of any home address, telephone number, or e-mail address changes so that we can keep you in the loop.

Remember that communication is a two-way street; the Ministry encourages you to talk with Brad, Leslie, or any of the ministry members about your church communications likes and dislikes. We welcome your suggestions for improving communications. We also welcome your announcements and submissions; you don't have to be a member of the Communications Ministry to appear in church print.

You expressed an interest in St. Timothy's when you walked in the church's front door. Continue that dialogue by getting to know your fellow parishioners and spreading the word about what's happening at St. Tim's.

Herndon Middle School Awards

At the June 12, 2008 Herndon Middle School Awards ceremony, four St. Tim's youth were recognized for their accomplishments (Nicki Dubishar, Colin Curtis, Jeff Sinclair, Timothy Nixon). Timothy Nixon (named after what Saint?) also received a second award -- the Principal's Award!



Music at St. Tim's

We will begin our next season in September and plan to continue with the new events established this year, such as our Choir Retreat at the Cathedral College, which will take place on September 12-13, our Choral Evensong for All Saints' Day, which will take place on November 2, and our Christmas Festival of Lessons and Carols, which will take place on December 21.



Kim Seidman's Ordination



Twenty-two people from St. Tim's shared in the celebration of Kim Seidman's Ordination on Thursday evening, June 26, at Christ Church, Alexandria. What a wonderful event for our church family to share. Please pray for Kim, Leslie and Brad.

Lord, today we give you thanks for the gift of our clergy. They lead us, comfort us, challenge us and love us. Watch over Brad and Leslie, giving them all they need to be with us on our faith journey. We especially ask you to bless Rev. Kim Seidman, our former Seminarian as she steps out as a newly ordained Priest. Give her wisdom, patience and strength to lead her new flock at Christ Church and help us to be a continual source of support to her in her ministry. We ask all this in your name, Amen.



Happy 4th of July!



The **WORD**

St. Timothy's Word is published monthly and E-mailed to members and friends on the first day of each month. It also appears in full color on the website main page under "Downloads" the same day it is e-mailed. If you wish to receive a copy by mail, please notify Carol Frost in the church office. Copies of the Word will also be available in the office for you to take home.

The deadline for submission of material

Questions or ideas for *The Word* are always welcome as are your comments! You may send the material as an attachment to an e-mail message to: office@saint-timothys.org. The message subject line must mention *Word*. Photos are welcome. Please identify key people if possible. Articles or letters may be edited for brevity or appropriateness.

See our website for the up-to-the-minute monthly calendar. It's always current and covers several months. The Bulletins appear on the website no later than Saturday morning for the coming Sunday.

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